# DEFENSIVE DRAFTING of HANDBOOKS



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#### **EEO Policy**

- Address Disability Accommodation Requests
- Address Religious Accommodation Requests
- Address Reporting of Discrimination Concerns (Not just harassment concerns)



#### Harassment Policy

- Sex, Race, Religion .....(<u>Gender Stereotyping</u>)
- Employees / Customers / Vendors
- Report discrimination / harassment to (HR & Top Management)



## Harassment Policy

- Don't encourage confronting the harasser!!!
- Confronting harassers is not a report!
- Don't assume others know it is unwelcomed (Don't rely on a witness to report for you)



#### Harassment Policy

• Investigate / Take appropriate action.

"The Company may decide in some circumstances that in order to maintain the integrity of its investigation and our role in it in confidence."

- No retaliation for complainant or witness
- Retaliation report same way.



## Dating & Workplace Romance

- Management prohibited from dating staff
- No favoritism
- No PDA
- Rules to break up (24/7 rules on harassment)







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