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## Dunn DeSantis Expands San Diego Office With 7 Attorneys

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Law360 (April 12, 2024, 9:34 PM EDT) -- Dunn DeSantis Walt & Kendrick LLP recently expanded its San Diego office with the addition of seven employment law attorneys, the firm said in a statement.

Dustin Delp, Brett Johnson, Casey Helton, Pauline Duong, Marie Hulen, Evan McNally and Nathanel Ghinghis have joined Dunn DeSantis' office in San Diego to advise clients in areas such as labor and employment law, business disputes and contract negotiations, the firm said in a news release last week.

"We are thrilled to welcome these talented attorneys to our firm," Kevin V. DeSantis, managing partner of Dunn DeSantis, said in a statement. "Their unique backgrounds and unwavering commitment to excellence align with our firm's values, and fortify our ability to provide exceptional service to our clients."

Delp graduated from Albany Law School in 2012 and has worked at various law firms in New York and New Jersey, including Morrison Mahoney LLP and Sobel Pevzner LLC, among others, according to his LinkedIn. He advises businesses, business owners and insurance carriers in business and employment litigation as well as a wide variety of transactional projects, Dunn DeSantis wrote in the news release.

Johnson worked at Dunn DeSantis for about a year after earning his law degree from the University of San Diego School of Law in 2016. He left in 2018 to serve as a United States Marine Corps captain before returning to Dunn DeSantis in March. Johnson's practice focuses on guiding businesses involved in litigation, including professional liability claims, Dunn DeSantis stated.

A graduate of Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University in 2021, Helton joins the firm from family law firm Palmer Rodak & Associates, according to her LinkedIn profile. Her practice encompasses representing employers in discrimination, harassment and wrongful termination claims, as well as wage and hour disputes, Dunn DeSantis said.

Duong received her law degree from the University of California, Irvine School of Law in 2021 with pro bono high honors. According to her LinkedIn profile, Duong briefly worked at the Farm LLP, advising tech companies on business and data privacy issues, before joining Dunn DeSantis to focus on representing businesses in employment law.

Hulen joins Dunn DeSantis from Finch Thornton & Baird LLP, where she worked as an associate attorney from September 2021 to April, according to her LinkedIn profile. She previously practiced construction law but joins Dunn DeSantis to focus on representing businesses involved in employment law and commercial litigation. She received her law degree from the University of San Diego School of Law in 2021, the firm stated.

McNally's practice is in civil litigation, with a focus on labor and employment law and commercial disputes. He earned his law degree from the Pepperdine Caruso School of Law in 2022 and, according to his LinkedIn profile, served as a judicial law clerk to Pennsylvania federal judge Shaw Stickman IV.

Before pursuing a career in law, Ghinghis served in the Israel Defense Forces. He has also held roles in technology and global risk consulting. He graduated from Loyola Law School in 2023. He clerked for Burris & Schoenberg LLP before joining Dunn DeSantis in February. Ghinghis' practice is focused Dunn DeSantis Expands San Diego Office With 7 Attorneys - Law360

on labor and employment, commercial and business disputes and product regulatory compliance, the firm stated.

Dunn DeSantis employs 27 attorneys and has locations in San Diego, La Jolla, Irvine, Walnut Creek, Dallas, Phoenix, Boise and Pittsburgh, according to the firm's website.

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