Making the Hiring Process Work



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Using Social Media in Hiring Decisions

- Screening and monitoring is lawful if unrestricted access to the Social Media page
- BUT --- Individual's page may include info you cannot ask about or consider (age, race, disability, etc.)









View Photos of Me (236) View My Friends (587)

Write something about yourself.

Networks: Diabetics United

Relationship Status: in a relationship with John Smith

Birthday:

April 3, 1985 Friends / 587 friends See All





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Posted Items

3 of 448 posted items

Christopher is working the work! on Monday edit Wall Infu Photos Buxes Write Note 💽 Add Photos 🔗 Video **1** Update Status What are you doing? Christopher is Post Wall Posts Today Posts by Christopher wrote at 5:31pm thanks dude! Wall-to-Wall Christopher wrote on the wall for the group Diabetics in AL Christopher became a fan of The UAW 251 Christopher commented on his own photo. 10:03am and my favorite things: Fridays and beer wrote at 8:31am Will give you a shout. Looking forward to it. Cheers... Sounds like you're living it up Wall-to-Wall Christopher commented on his own photo, 6:25am 33 Christopher wrote on 's wall. 6:11am

Living the drea

wrote at 4:07am ml British summers are the shit. Not sure

Living the dream! British summers are the shit. Not sure why I'm heading down to Kaapstad in 2 weeks... aaaahhh yes!... GOOD TASTING BEER, Wall-to-Wall

Yesterday

Christopher is listed as in a relationship with John Smith 3:27pm Comment

Enclose the strength of the

wall, 9:25am

7:29pm Comment

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- Best Practices
 - Have non-decision maker perform search and report only non-protected information to decision maker
 - Consider addressing adverse information with applicant/employee to verify authenticity
 - If you screen, do it uniformly

- Almost all businesses have in place restrictive covenants with their employees
 - Covenants Not to Compete
 - Non-Solicit as to Customers
 - Employee Non-Solicitation
 - Non-Disclosure Agreement







Hiring Employees with Restrictive Covenants

- Know the Risks
- Inquire if a restrictive covenant exists
 - Should you ask for a copy of the restrictive covenant?
- The existence of a restrictive covenant doesn't necessarily preclude you from hiring the employee
 - Enforceable?
 - Competitors?
 - Legitimate interest?
 - Other positions?
- Document expectations/restrictions with the future employee



Disparate Impact

- An employer's facially neutral policy or practice may still be unlawful even absent a showing of discriminatory intent merely because it has a significant adverse impact on a protected group
 - Employer's lack of discriminatory intent is irrelevant
 - Examples: Tests to screen temporary employees for permanent placement that disproportionately affect a protected group









- Reasonably designed and administered to achieve a legitimate business purpose
- Individualized consideration
- Validation testing
- EEOC Guidelines on employer use of criminal background checks



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- Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP)
 - Ensures employers doing business with the federal government comply with the laws and regulations requiring nondiscrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, and protected veteran status.
- Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC)
 - EEO-1 Report





Federal Contractors

- On August 27, 2013, the OFCCP issued revised affirmative action regulations for protected veterans (Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act) and individuals with disabilities (Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act)
 - Contractors must invite Veterans and the Disabled to self-identify during the application process
 - OFCCP recently issued its official Self-Identification of Disability Form to be used
 - OFCCP created new category for veterans replacing the "Other Protected Veterans" category with "Active-Duty Wartime or Campaign Badge Veteran"



Questions?

