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JULIA MORGAN BALLROOM

Pre-Conference Class

8:00 to 9:00

Compliance 101: How To Comply With Prop. 65

Instructors: **Sophia Castillo**, Partner, Keller & Heckman LLP
Corey Friedman, Staff Counsel, OEHHA
Emily Goswami, Principal Scientist, Roux Associates
Meredyth Merrow, Attorney, Lexington Law Group

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Bios

Sophia Castillo

Partner, Keller & Heckman LLP

Sophia (Sophie) Castillo is a partner at the law firm Keller & Heckman, LLP in its San Francisco office. Sophie represents domestic and international importers, distributors, national brands, private labels, institutional suppliers, family-owned food processing businesses, and retail grocers on compliance, litigation, and risk avoidance surrounding California's Proposition 65, as well as other state and national laws related to chemicals and toxics. She advises clients involved in numerous industries across the entire supply chain, including food and beverage, cosmetics and personal care, dietary supplements, apparel, cookware, consumer products, and retail.

In addition to Proposition 65, Sophie advises clients on other state laws, including California's regulations related to PFAS and other emerging contaminants in products such as food packaging, cookware, and cosmetics. She also has experience working with chemical disclosure laws in the cosmetics and personal care products space.

Due to her vast knowledge of the legal landscape within these industries, Sophie is often invited to speak at industry conferences and author thought-leadership articles. Click [here](#) for a list of prior speaking engagements and publications.

Prior to joining Keller and Heckman, Sophie was a litigation and Proposition 65 partner at a California-based law firm.

Corey Friedman
Staff Counsel, OEHHA

Corey N. Friedman works as Senior Counsel for the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA), California's lead agency for the assessment of health risks posed by environmental contaminants. She has represented OEHHA since 2023, providing legal advice on rulemaking, public agency law, litigation, and other matters.

Ms. Friedman worked for the California Department of Industrial Relations for about a decade, primarily at the Division of Occupational Safety and Health, commonly known as Cal/OSHA. In her last role at that agency, she was Assistant to the Chief for Policy and Program Evaluation and was responsible for legislation, issues of inter-agency jurisdiction, and the federal grant which supported Cal/OSHA's enforcement activities, among other things. Before joining management, Ms. Friedman served as lead attorney for the development and implementation of regulations to protect workers from hazards including COVID-19 and wildfire smoke. She has litigated both administrative and civil cases and began her career in private practice. Outside of work, Corey spent nine years as a member of the Legal Services Trust Fund Commission, the largest funder of legal aid in California, and was elected chairperson. She is a graduate of U.C. Hastings (now called U.C. College of the Law, San Francisco) and Bowdoin College.

Emily Goswami
Principal Scientist, Roux Associates

Emily is a Principal Scientist with Roux in Oakland, CA. She is a Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH) with a Master of Science degree in Environmental Health and over twenty years of experience in assessing exposures and potential health risks to chemicals and agents in the environment, workplace, and consumer products. She has served an expert role numerous projects related to consumer product stewardship, indoor air quality, and toxic tort matters, which include testifying at deposition and trial. With regard to Prop 65, she has conducted over 100 product assessments, including designing exposure studies, for a variety of consumer products for metals, phthalates, bisphenols, PFAS, and more.

Meredyth Merrow
Attorney, Lexington Law Group

Meredyth Merrow is an attorney at Lexington Law Group, LLP. Her practice focuses on representing plaintiffs in litigation involving consumer rights, environmental justice, environmental exposures, and removing toxic chemicals from sources of drinking water and consumer products sold in California. Ms. Merrow has experience enforcing California's Proposition 65 as well as state and federal environmental laws in the public interest and on behalf of nationwide classes of consumers.