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LITIGATION DEPARTMENT OF THE YEAR: Labor & Employment Winner Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP



Jason C. Schwartz, Partner and Co-Chair of the Labor and Employment Practice Group

- **Describe your firm's approach to litigation and your strategy for building successful teams for trials or other matters.** Like Ted Lasso, we believe! We aggressively and creatively look for practical solutions and wins. We put the best team on the field with the right skills and experiences for each case. We include our appellate folks from the outset.

- **Discuss the two biggest litigation cases your firm worked on in 2022 and how you reached successful outcomes.** One of our strongest assets is our ability to combine an understanding of past precedent with a vision for how the law



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can and should evolve. Our biggest victories this year are perfect examples. For UBS, we persuaded the Second Circuit to redefine the standard for proving whistleblower retaliation claims, and we look forward to defending that victory in the U.S. Supreme Court next term. We also secured critical victories for Amazon, defending its industry-leading response to COVID-19 against novel claims. In each case, we designed and pursued creative strategies to make new law and achieve wins for our clients.

- **What are the most challenging and satisfying aspects of your work in litigation?** We solve the most challenging employment issues for the world's most sophisticated employers. We love to help people and make new law in the ever-changing world of work.
- **What is the most important piece of advice you'd share with young lawyers?** Do what you love for clients you care about—you'll be better at it and enjoy it more. And believe and be a goldfish. ■