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prop. 65 clearinghouse

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JULIA MORGAN BALLROOM

8:00 to 9:00 Compliance 101: How To Comply With Prop. 65

Instructors: **Holly Foley**, Scientist, Keller & Heckman
Meredyth Merrow, Associate, Lexington Law Group
Kristi Morioka, Senior Staff Counsel, OEHHA

Bios

Holly Foley

Scientist, Keller and Heckman

Holly Foley specializes in numerous regulatory areas, including foods, food packaging, drugs, and related environmental issues.

Holly's primary expertise is in the evaluation of the status of food ingredients and packaging materials, the development of testing plans to obtain needed data, and the preparation of food additive petitions and food contact notifications (FCNs) to achieve U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) clearances; she also has expertise in similar submissions to comparable foreign agencies.

With nearly 40 years of experience at Keller and Heckman, Holly has helped our clients establish regulatory compliance for thousands of products. She has developed hundreds of submissions to FDA and regulatory authorities in the European Union (EU), China, and MERCOSUR countries. Holly is also a key part of the firm's work in developing bases for establishing compliance for products in the absence of specific clearances.

Holly's achievements include helping clients to obtain FDA clearance for non-nutritive sweeteners and enzyme preparations used in food and food processing, refrigerants, and blowing agents used as chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) substitutes in accordance with the Montreal Protocol, and international approvals for novel biocides used in food safety applications. She is uniquely qualified to provide detailed guidance to clients on chemical, toxicological, and environmental testing, to work in collaboration with testing labs, and to assist in interpretation of data.

Holly is skilled at presenting and defending data to agency personnel, and in bringing creative thinking and analysis to a wide range of products spanning all types of packaging, processing materials, and food ingredients. She has conducted numerous trainings for clients and industry groups throughout the United States (U.S.), Europe, and Japan. She uses her analytical skills and understanding to bridge regulatory and scientific considerations and to

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facilitate favorable resolutions for our clients' most complex and challenging issues. Education: Massachusetts Institute of Technology, B.S., 1981

Kristi Morioka

Senior Staff Counsel, OEHHA

Kristi Morioka is an experienced litigator and administrative lawyer. She joined the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) in October 2020. Under the direction of OEHHA's Chief Counsel, Ms. Morioka advises the Director, Executive Officers, and OEHHA staff on all legal matters. Her principal areas of practice include Proposition 65 implementation and developing and amending various regulations.

Prior to coming to OEHHA Ms. Morioka worked for the Judicial Council of California as counsel to the Civil and Small Claims Committee, and the Department of Healthcare Services as counsel for the Benefits and Eligibility division of Medi-Cal. And prior to that she was in private practice in Sacramento, California. Ms. Morioka is a Sacramento native and graduated from the University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law, JD, California State University, Chico, MA, and Wichita State University, BA. She is a high school debate coach and mom to three funny kids.

Meredyth Merrow

Associate, Lexington Law Group

Since 2019, Meredyth Merrow has been practicing public interest litigation an associate at the Lexington Law Group. Her practice includes representing plaintiffs in litigation involving consumer rights, environmental justice, environmental exposures, and removing toxic chemicals from consumer products. Ms. Merrow has experience enforcing California's Proposition 65 and has been class counsel to a nationwide class of consumers regarding deceptive greenwashing claims. Ms. Merrow earned her J.D. from UC Law San Francisco (formerly UC Hastings) with a concentration in Environmental Law and was an executive editor of the Hastings Environmental Law Journal. Ms. Merrow is passionate about, and dedicated to, the protection of human health and the environment.