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### **Zekiah N. Wright, Esq.**

#### **Board Member**

Zekiah N. Wright (they/them) is a Labor and Employment litigator in Los Angeles, California.

In 2017, Zekiah relocated to Los Angeles, where they started their own law firm, The Wright Firm. The Wright Firm was created as a solution to the high number of LGBTQ+ and BIPOC clients seeking diverse representation. The Wright Firm specializes in labor and employment law on behalf of employees and small businesses-owners.

As a Florida Native and queer youth raised in the South, Zekiah relocated to Los Angeles to experience living fully and authentically as themselves. Zekiah grew up in a religious environment oppressive towards LGBTQ identities. It was these experiences that led Zekiah to advocate for the intersectional rights of LGBTQ and Black people throughout their entire life. In law school, Zekiah co-founded and served as the inaugural President of the Stonewall LGBTQ Student Bar Association, the school's first LGBTQ Bar Association.

After graduating from law school, Zekiah worked at a union and civil rights law firm in Orlando, Florida. Zekiah later worked at the U.S. Attorney's Office and a private international law firm, both located in Washington, DC.

In 2019, Zekiah was appointed to the Lesbian and Gay Advisory Board (LGAB). Zekiah was the first non-binary member of the LGAB. During their time on the Board, Zekiah was instrumental in drafting protections for victims of sexual assault.

Currently, Zekiah serves as Chair of the West Hollywood Rent Stabilization Commission, Chair of the Board of Directors of ProjectQ, and the Los Angeles Representative of the Southwest Lutheran Synod Council. Zekiah has done pro bono work for various community organizations throughout Los Angeles.

Zekiah received their Bachelor's degree in Political Science with a minor in Spanish from Stetson University in Deland, Florida. Zekiah received their Juris Doctor degree from Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University's (FAMU) School of Law in Orlando, Florida. Throughout law school, Zekiah also attended the Universidad de Barcelona and Pepperdine University's Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution.