

## **Dangerous Interview Questions:**

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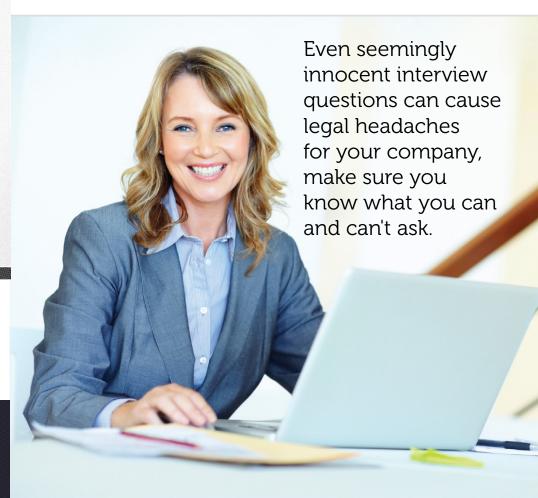
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Interviewing prospective employees is not just an important skill for a company to master to obtain top talent, but it also has to be done in line with applicable legal limits. No matter how much an employer wants to know about a candidate, there are limits as to what a candidate can be legally asked. Employers who fail to ensure that their interview process meets legal requirements run the risk of having to defend costly lawsuits stemming from a perception that a past employment decision was premised upon legally inappropriate areas of inquiry. This information will help you understand the "dos and don'ts" of employment interviewing with an eye towards providing practical advice to best train your employees in complying with all required legal rules and limitations in the hiring process.

#### **Learning Objectives**

After attending this live webinar, you will be able to:

- explain what questions are legally allowed.
- review appropriate in-house interview programs and procedures.
- recognize legally inappropriate questions.
- identify problems with your staff interviews of prospective employees.

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## **Agenda**

#### **Doing Interviews Right**

- · Why It Is Important?
- Knowing What Is Right and Wrong
- Understanding the Legal Implications of Job Interviews

#### Legal Restrictions on Interview Questions

- Anti-Discrimination Laws and Other Statutory Limits on Areas of Inquiry
- Understanding Privacy
  Rights of Interviewee and
  How Far You Can Go in
  Asking Questions
- Proper Questioning as Deterrent Against Future Lawsuits

# Training Your Staff to Avoid Legal Issues

- Proper Training on the Right Questions to Use
- Getting the Message to Staff About the Importance of Proper Questioning

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