



## Higgs Fletcher & Mack Adds Three New Associates



Rachel Moffitt



Joseph Kagan



Joseph Gonnella

Rachel Moffitt, Joseph Kagan and Joseph Gonnella have joined the Higgs Fletcher & Mack law firm as its newest associates after recently passing the California Bar Examination. Each received their law degrees from California Western School of Law.

Moffitt previously was the judicial extern to Associate Justice Alex C. McDonald and to U.S. District Judge Anthony J Battaglia. In these roles, she helped draft opinions, and drafted orders deciding various motions. Before that, Moffitt was a research intern for Higgs partner John Morris. She also is

a published author, with an article on “Gender and the Law” in The Georgetown Journal.

Kagan started his legal career at Higgs as a case assistant where he managed case files in a variety of areas, including tort, labor/employment, business litigation, tax, and trusts and estates. Since then, his experience has included his time as a law clerk for the U.S. Department of Justice Office of the U.S. Trustee, as a judicial intern to the Honorable Richard E.L. Strauss in the San Diego Superior Court, and as a judicial extern to the Honorable Jan M. Adler in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California.

Gonnella was judicial extern to the Honorable Nita L. Stormes, presiding magistrate judge for the U.S. District Court in the Southern District of California, and to the Honorable William S. Dato at the Superior Court in San Diego. Before that, he was a summer associate for the CareFusion Corp., providing general support and research for various practice groups.

