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Lisa L. Walker has risen up the ranks at Smithey Law Group, now serving as partner and leading civil litigation, negotiations and administrative proceedings for employment law for the firm. She handles discrimination claims, equal pay disputes and sexual harassment claims, and represents employees in wage claims, and whistleblower and FMLA retaliation claims.

Prior to joining the Smithey Law Group, Walker served as clerk for the Honorable Stuart R. Berger and the Honorable Robert A. Zarnoch in the Court of Special Appeals of Maryland. She is admitted to practice law in Maryland, Tennessee, the District of Columbia and the U.S. District Court of Maryland. She received her Juris Doctor from the University of Baltimore School of Law.

## **What is the accomplishment that you are most proud of?**

I am most proud of coming into a busy, woman-owned employment law start-up, newly out of a judicial clerkship and putting in the work to become a trusted leader in my firm, contributing to its success. I am proud of the work I do, and every individual win and positive outcome for a client is special. But overall, I am most proud that I am part of a firm that advocates for equality and makes a difference in people's lives.

## **What's the most important lesson you've learned as an attorney?**

A lesson that stands out is the importance of good leadership. Being a leader means doing the hard stuff first without complaining and then showing the people around you how to do it. I've learned that first-hand, as well as from watching my managing partner and other women who cut their own paths on an even tougher landscape, and then routinely turn around to help the people behind them.