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For California labor law purposes, approximately 2,300 delivery drivers in one case should have been classified as employees, not independent contractors, according to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. The ruling has important implications for employers, especially at companies that use contractors in multiple states. This article reviews the factors to consider when classifying workers -- and why it matters. Copyright © 2014

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# Splitting Up Retirement Accounts in Divorce



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#### Two Perspectives on the FMLA



Since its passage, the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) has caused many employers to voice concerns about the effects on business operations. This is one reason the Department of Labor put together a report describing the FMLA experiences of both managers and employees. Keep reading to learn some comments from the report which details the strengths and weaknesses of the law. Copyright © 2014

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