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Law360's 2021 Benefits Editorial Advisory Board

Law360 (March 22, 2021, 6:19 PM EDT) -- Law360 is pleased to announce the formation of its 2021 Benefits Editorial Advisory Board.

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Damarr is an associate in the Washington, D.C., office of O'Melveny, where he represents plan sponsors and service providers in actions brought by participants, alleging breach of fiduciary duties in the selection and monitoring of investment options, or in causing a plan to pay excessive fees. Previously, Damarr was at the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.

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Adam, a Davis Polk executive compensation partner, has extensive experience advising on the executive compensation and ERISA aspects of a wide range of corporate transactions, including M&A, initial public offerings and spinoffs. A thought leader, Kaminsky has written numerous client memos providing guidance on executive compensation aspects of COVID-19 and U.S Securities and Exchange Commission legislation.

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