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William O'Gara is one of the founding partners at Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West LLC and is a highly respected labor and employment law practitioner who also has significant experience in litigating civil and administrative law matters before federal and state courts, the U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Occupational Safety and Health, the Rhode Island Commission for Human Rights and the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination. Mr. O'Gara represents employers in matters ranging from sexual harassment to retirement issues. His diverse practice includes defending wrongful termination and discrimination actions as well as contract negotiations and matters of union representation. Mr. O'Gara is a frequent contributor and editor of human resource and personnel policy handbooks and guides for small and large private and public sector entities.

Mr. O'Gara's experience includes working with the national law firms of Bingham, Dana & Gould and Holland & Knight. He earned his J.D. from Northeastern University and his Masters in Industrial Relations from the University of Rhode Island. He is admitted to practice law in Rhode Island, Massachusetts and the U.S. District Court, First Circuit. Mr. O'Gara is a frequent lecturer on human resources management topics.

MEMBERSHIPS

- Rhode Island Bar Association
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