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#### **Whitman Adopts New State Government Workplace Policy**

Gov. Christie Whitman today signed Executive Order 106 authorizing a new state policy prohibiting discrimination, harassment or hostile environments in the workplace and procedures for handling complaints for all state departments, commissions, state colleges, and authorities.

"The State of New Jersey continues to recognize that unlawful discrimination and harassment undermine the integrity of the employment relationship, compromise equal employment opportunity, deliberate morale and interfere with work activity," the Governor said in her executive order.

Over the past few years, there have been significant developments in employment law on both the federal and state levels. This new policy reflects these changes.