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Employment Statutes — Damages

FEDERAL				
Statute	Damages Available	Applicable Damages Caps		
Title VII; Pregnancy Discrimination Act; Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)	 Back Pay Front Pay Compensatory Damages Punitive Damages Attorney's Fees 	 Back pay is capped at two years prior to date of filing complaint The maximum total amount of compensatory and punitive damages is capped at: 1-100 employees: \$50,000 101-200 employees: \$100,000 201-500 employees: \$200,000 500+ employees: \$300,000 		
Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA)	 Back Pay Front Pay Liquidated Damages Attorney's Fees 	N/A		
Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA)	 Back Pay Liquidated Damages Attorney's Fees Fines Criminal Sanctions 	Fines are capped at \$10,000		
		Imprisonment up to six months		
Equal Pay Act (EPA)	 Back Pay Front Pay Liquidated Damages Attorney's Fees 	N/A		
Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA)	 Back Pay Actual Monetary Losses (<i>i.e.</i>, cost of providing care) Liquidated Damages Attorney's Fees 	Actual monetary losses are capped at twelve weeks worth of salary/wages		
Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Act (USERRA)	 Back Pay Front Pay Liquidated Damages Attorney's Fees 	N/A		
Section 1981	 Back Pay Front Pay Compensatory Damages Punitive Damages Attorney's Fees 	N/A		
Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act (GINA)	 Back Pay Front Pay Compensatory Damages Punitive Damages Attorney's Fees 	 Back pay is capped at two years prior to date of filing complaint The maximum total amount of compensatory and punitive damages is capped at: 1-100 employees: \$50,000 101-200 employees: \$100,000 201-500 employees: \$200,000 500+ employees: \$300,000 		

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	PENNSYLVANIA	
Statute	Damages Available	Applicable Damages Caps
Pennsylvania Human Relations Act (PHRA)	 Back Pay Front Pay Compensatory Damages Attorney's Fees 	Back pay is capped at three years prior to date of filing complaint
	NEW JERSEY	
Statute	Damages Available	Applicable Damages Caps
Law Against Discrimination (LAD)	 Back Pay Front Pay Compensatory Damages Punitive Damages Attorney's Fees 	N/A
Conscientious Employee Protection Act (CEPA)	 Back Pay Front Pay Compensatory Damages Punitive Damages Attorney's Fees 	N/A
	DELAWARE	
Statute	Damages Available	Applicable Damages Caps
Discrimination in Employment Act (DEA)	 Back Pay Front Pay Compensatory Damages Punitive Damages Attorney's Fees 	The maximum total amount of compensatory and punitive damages is capped at: • 1-100 employees: \$50,000 • 101-200 employees: \$100,000 • 201-500 employees: \$200,000 • 500+ employees: \$300,000

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