



## *Is Your Uber Driver or Lyfter an Employee or Independent Contractor and Why Does it Matter? Westlaw*

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*Major sharing economy players Uber and Lyft have been in a series of legal battles regarding whether their drivers are employees or independent contractors. This article discusses the legal significance of employee and independent contractor designations, applies these employment categories to recent employment cases involving Uber and Lyft, and discusses possible legislative solutions that have been presented to address issues that have arisen based on the "gig" economy and widespread use of independent contractors to provide rides and other jobs.*