Federal Judge Scolds Slow-Moving BigLaw Lawyers

A federal judge in New Jersey has criticized Samsung Electronics America and its lawyers at Squire Patton Boggs for alleged "poor judgment and a misunderstanding" of their obligations in litigation involving two would-be class actions, reports the *ABA Journal*.

At a status conference in November, Squire Patton Boggs partner Philip Oliss told the judge that his firm was having "an incredibly difficult time in terms of the turn-around between here and Seoul, Korea."

U.S. District Judge William Martini said Oliss' representation is "as if his firm of over 1,500 lawyers (including several located in Seoul) and its client, a giant multinational conglomerate, were restricted to Eighteenth-century lines of communication."

Read the ABA Journal article.