

International Association of Defense Counsel Publishes Defense Counsel Journal Spring 2017 Edition

The International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC) has announced publication of the spring 2017 edition of its Defense Counsel Journal (DCJ), which is available for free and without a subscription to IADC members and non-members via the IADC's website, www.iadclaw.org.

The spring 2017 edition is available at www.iadclaw.org/publications-news/defense-counsel-training-manual/.

Published in its first edition in 1934 as the Insurance Counsel Journal, the DCJ is a forum for topical and scholarly writings on the law, including its development and reform, as well as on the practice of law in general. The DCJ is published quarterly and is frequently and favorably cited by courts and other legal scholarship.

"This year, for the first time, we are making the IADC's acclaimed Defense Counsel Journal free and accessible to anyone via our website to meet demand for the publication and to more easily share our members' insights on timely legal practice issues with the broader legal community," said John T. Lay, Jr., IADC President and a shareholder at Gallivan, White & Boyd, P.A.

A 2,500-member, invitation-only organization, the IADC serves its members and their clients, as well as the civil justice system and the legal profession. The organization maintains a leadership role in many areas of legal reform and professional development, the association said in a news release.

“We are very excited about the new distribution model for our Defense Counsel Journal,” said Michael Franklin Smith, IADC member and current editor of the DCJ, as well as a shareholder at McAfee & Taft. “The new spring issue offers scholarly, in-depth review and analysis for engaging attorneys and enhancing their understanding of current legal trends and timely issues that they may face in diverse practice areas.”

The spring issue of the DCJ includes analysis of the following topics:

- Why the majority of jurisdictions in the United States have rejected the product line theory of liability, along with a 50-state review of the case law addressing the theory;
- The rapidly evolving defense of lack of personal jurisdiction since the U.S. Supreme Court’s 2014 opinion in *Daimler AG v. Bauman*;
- Case law discussing insurance coverage for malicious prosecution under comprehensive general liability policies and the policy exclusions that can affect that coverage; and
The development and evolution of judicial notice, a tool that can greatly increase the efficiency of certain kinds of proof if used properly.

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