

# Labour Says Government Refusal to Publish PPE Firm's Contracts Reeks of Cover-Up

Law Firm ManagementLabour has accused ministers of a potential cover-up over a PPE contract with a company linked to Tory peer Michelle Mone, after the health department refused to release documents

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# Biglaw Business is Booming Obviously, It's Time to Talk About Layoffs

Law Firm ManagementThe Am Law 100 was recently announced, ranking the top Biglaw firms by 2021 gross revenue. And it was a banger year in Biglaw. Every single Am Law 100 firm saw and increase in revenue

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# Big Bear Appoints AI and Data Ethics Veteran Carolyn

# Blankenship as General Counsel

Law Firm ManagementBigBear.ai, a leader in AI-powered analytics and cyber engineering solutions, today announced that it has appointed Carolyn Blankenship as General Counsel. In this role, Blankenship

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## Michigan House OKs \$776M Opioid Settlement Plan as Critics Hit Exclusion of Small Towns

Law Firm ManagementA three-bill package creating a framework for the distribution of about \$776 million in opioid settlement funds in Michigan garnered widespread support as the state House approved it

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## State Reaches Historic \$328 Million Settlement in Lawsuit

# **Over Native Hawaiian Homesteads**

Law Firm ManagementThousands of Native Hawaiians who waited decades for homestead leases aimed at guaranteeing them access to ancestral lands may soon get some payment from the state. The state reached

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## **Three Shapiro, Lifschitz & Schram Attorneys Recognized Among 2022 Washington, D.C. Super Lawyers**

AnnouncementsShapiro, Lifschitz & Schram is pleased to announce that Laura C. Fraher, Judah Lifschitz and Steven H. Schram are named among the 2022 Super Lawyers for Washington, D.C.

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## **Eight Turner Padgett Attorneys Named Among South Carolina**

# **Super Lawyers And Rising Stars For 2022**

AnnouncementsTurner Padgett is pleased to announce that eight of its attorneys have been recognized by South Carolina Super Lawyers for 2022

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## **Venable Client UC Davis Wins Lawsuit Protecting Academic Freedom and Scientific Process**

AnnouncementsVenable LLP is pleased to announce that our client, UC Davis, has prevailed in a civil lawsuit brought by activists under the California Public Records Act.

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## **Womble Bond Dickinson Establishes New York Office with Addition of Elite IP**

# Team

AnnouncementsThe transatlantic law firm Womble Bond Dickinson is opening an office in New York with the addition of a prestigious group of lawyers from the intellectual property boutique firm Abelman Frayne & Schwab.

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## **ArentFox Schiff Welcomes Los Angeles Health Care Counsel Gayland Hethcoat**

AnnouncementsArentFox Schiff LLP is pleased to announce the expansion of its Health Care practice with the addition of Counsel Gayland O. Hethcoat II in the firm's Los Angeles office.

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## **Foley Secures Victory for Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors in Bruce's Beach Case**

AnnouncementsFoley & Lardner LLP secured a victory on behalf of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, returning Bruce's Beach, a Black-owned property illegally condemned in

the 1920s, to its rightful heirs.

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## **Sidley Accelerates Expansion in Emerging Companies Practice**

Announcements Cynthia Bai and Nicholas (Nic) Frey have joined Sidley Austin as partners in the firm's Palo Alto office. Cynthia joins the firm's Global Finance group from Cooley LLP, while Nic joins the Employee Benefits and Executive Compensation practice from Baker Botts.

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## **Ball Janik LLP Expands to West Florida, Opens Sarasota Office**

Announcements SARASOTA, Fla., Ball Janik LLP is pleased to announce the firm's fourth office opening, and first on the Gulf Coast, in Sarasota, Florida. The newest office is in the Center Pointe Office Building at 2033 Main Street, Suite 201. Located in downtown Sarasota, the office is across the street from the Sarasota County Courthouse and minutes away from several city highlights such as the Marie Selby Botanical Gardens, Sarasota Opera House, and the Sarasota Art Museum. Special Counsel Salvatore G. Scro will lead the Sarasota

office, along with partners Phillip E. Joseph, James C. Prichard, Evan J. Small, Kelly M. Corcoran, and Brian T. Crevasse. The Sarasota office is positioned to serve clients up and down the Gulf Coast, including Naples, Fort Myers, Sarasota, Bradenton, Tampa, St. Petersburg, and Clearwater.

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## **Eight Bradley Attorneys Recognized in 2022 Washington, D.C. Super Lawyers and Rising Stars**

AnnouncementsEight Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP attorneys have been recognized in the 2022 edition of Washington, D.C. Super Lawyers and the list of “Rising Stars.”

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## **Dentons Cohen & Grigsby P.C. Shareholder Jennifer Park Joins International Association of Defense Counsel**

AnnouncementsDentons Cohen & Grigsby P.C. shareholder Jennifer

S. Park has accepted an invitation to join the International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC), the preeminent invitation-only global legal organization for attorneys who represent corporate and insurance interests.

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## **Blank Rome Welcomes International Trade & National Security Partner in D.C.**

AnnouncementsAnthony Rapa has joined Blank Rome's Washington D.C. office as partner and lead of the firm's National Security team. Anthony joins from Kirkland & Ellis.

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## **Choosing a No-Fault Divorce may Speed Dissolution and Save Costs**

AnnouncementsWhen a marriage is on the rocks, it's difficult not to continually blame your partner for what went wrong in your marriage. As your life goes through drastic emotional and financial changes, fanning the flames of blame during the divorce mediation can delay the process, increase animosity, and prevent you from getting on with your life.



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# **D Magazine Selects Lyons & Simmons Co-Founders Among Best Lawyers in Dallas**

AnnouncementsThe trial work of Michael Lyons and Chris Simmons has earned the Lyons & Simmons, LLP co-founders selection among Dallas's top lawyers for 2022.

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# **Abdón Pedrajas Littler Opens third office in Spain with Valencia Location**

AnnouncementsAbdón Pedrajas Littler, a leading labor and employment law firm in Spain and part of Littler, the world's largest employment and labor law practice representing management, has opened an office in Valencia, Spain. The office will be led by partner Javier Molina, who is part of a six-lawyer team joining from law firm Cuatrecasas.

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# **Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP's Bridget Moreno Lopez Honored in D Magazine's Best Lawyers in Dallas**

AnnouncementsThe publishers of D Magazine have recognized Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson attorney Bridget Moreno Lopez in the 2022 edition of Best Lawyers in Dallas for her work in tax law.