

# **Former District Attorney Represents Some He Once Prosecuted**

NewsA former district attorney in Mississippi's largest county is now representing some people he once prosecuted, court documents show.

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# **Biglaw Firm is Punishing 5 Departing Partners in Bonus Clawback Dispute, Petition Says**

NewsFive former Nixon Peabody partners allege that their former law firm tried to punish them for jumping to DLA Piper by trying to claw back bonuses and withholding money in support of the effort.

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# **The Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company Names Two**

# General Counsels

NewsThe Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company (Penn Mutual), a Fortune 1000 company, announced the promotion of Frank Best to General Counsel, Insurance and Corporate Secretary and the promotion of Ann-Marie Mason to General Counsel, Asset Management and Broker/Dealer.

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## The Unique Challenges of Protecting a Law Firm Brand

InsightIn American Association of Motorcycle Injury Lawyers Inc. v. HP3 Law LLC et al., an Arizona-based legal trade association, which held trademark rights in the name 'Law Tigers', sued an Illinois law firm that was using the nickname 'TigerLaw.'

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## Protecting Your Products Using Design Patents in the Era of Copycats

Insightswithout intellectual property (IP) protection for your product, very few remedies are available.

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# **Drafting Pre-Litigation Demand Letters**

InsightThe early stages of a legal dispute are often marked by the exchange of demand letters.

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## **Rossie E. Turman III Joins Lowenstein Sandler as Partner and Chair of International Finance Practice**

NewsRossie Turman III, who joined Lowenstein Sandler LLP today as Chair of its International Finance practice, will be playing an integral part of the firm's Debt Financing and Tech Groups advising corporations, financial institutions and government entities around the globe on their most complex, high-profile matters.

Rossie joins Lowenstein's New York office after 21 years at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP. He has been awarded several honors throughout his career, including being named the Metropolitan Black Bar Association of New York City's "Private Practitioner of the Year" and one of Savoy magazine's "Most Influential Black Lawyers."

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# Americor Appoints EVP General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer

NewsAmericor welcomed its newest team member, Nima Vahdat, as EVP General Counsel & Chief Compliance Officer. He will be responsible for all legal affairs for the company and advise regarding compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

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# SEC Awards More Than \$10M to Whistleblower

News“The Securities and Exchange Commission today announced an award of more than \$10 million to a whistleblower whose information and assistance were of crucial importance to a successful SEC enforcement action.

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**\$72.5M**                      **Class**                      **Action**  
**Settlement**              **Fund**                      **Announced**

# Covering Past Emtal Industrial Talc Litigation

NewsA preliminary approval of a class action settlement between BASF Catalysts, LLC and Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP and Plaintiffs to create a non-reversionary fund of \$72.5 million has been reached.

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## \$330M Settlement Reached with Approximately 1,000 ITT Tech Students

NewsApproximately 1,000 former ITT Tech students in South Carolina were part of a \$330 million settlement for debt relief after a lawsuit against the for-profit school.

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## Family Wealth Attorney Jake Pollack Joins Shackelford, Bowen, McKinley & Norton

NewsEstate planning and probate attorney Jake Pollack has joined the Dallas office of Shackelford, Bowen, McKinley &

Norton, LLP.

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## **PMR Law Earns 2020 Texas Lawyer Litigation Department of the Year Honor**

NewsHouston-based Paranjpe Mahadass Ruemke Law (PMR Law) has been honored as Litigation Department of the Year by the publishers of Texas Lawyer magazine based on the firm's work in products liability and mass torts litigation.

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## **Turner Padgett Continues Growth With Addition of Two Attorneys**

NewsTurner Padgett is pleased to announce the addition of two new associates to its Insurance and Products Liability practice group. George "Buster" Bryan joins the Myrtle Beach office and Megan Rudd joins in Greenville.

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# Blank Rome Launches Biometric Privacy Team

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## **Matthew J. Platkin, Chief Counsel to Governor Murphy, to Join Lowenstein's White Collar and Business Litigation Groups as Partner**

NewsMatthew Platkin, Chief Counsel to New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy, will be joining Lowenstein Sandler as a partner in their White Collar and Business Litigation groups at the conclusion of his state service in October.

As Chief Counsel, Platkin managed a team of over 20 lawyers in drafting, reviewing, and approving all legislation and executive and administrative actions before the governor, including those taken in 2020 to slow the spread of COVID-19 across the state.

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# **Barnes & Thornburg Adds Former Assistant U.S. Attorney as Partner in San Diego**

NewsBarnes & Thornburg has added Andrew P. Young as a partner in its San Diego office, where he will be a member of the firm's Litigation Department.

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# **Exterro 2020 In-House Legal Benchmarking Report**

InsightAccording to analyst firm Gartner, on average it will cost your organization \$1,400 to fulfill one consumer request for data, which is required by the California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA), GDPR.

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# **Dicerna Appoints Ling Zeng as Chief Legal Officer and Secretary**

NewsDicerna Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a leading developer of investigational ribonucleic acid interference (RNAi)

therapeutics appoints of Ling Zeng as chief legal officer and secretary and a member of the Company's executive leadership team.

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## **Small Photo Credit Removal May Result in Big Damages**

NewsOmitting a small print photo credit can get you in big trouble under the copyright laws.