

# Prudential Financial General Counsel Tim Harris to Retire in 2020

## *News*

Prudential Financial, Inc. (NYSE: PRU) announced today that Tim Harris, executive vice president and general counsel, has decided to retire after a long and successful career.

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# Courts Continue to Analyze How COVID-19 Orders Affect Private Party Rights

## *News*

Three recent decisions demonstrate how the legal landscape continues rapidly to change and evolve in response to COVID-19. These decisions highlight certain developing uncertainties in the law, including the impact of COVID-19-related executive and administrative orders on the rights of private parties.

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**Indianapolis**

**Attorney**

# Convicted of OWI Suspended for 90 Days

## *News*

An Indianapolis attorney has been suspended for 90 days with automatic reinstatement following his conviction of operating a vehicle while intoxicated and several violations of the Indiana Rules of Professional Conduct.

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# Abusive Communications Are Not Acceptable in the C-Suite or On the Plant Floor

## *News*

In recent weeks, because of the remoteness of our work forces, we have seen an increased incidence of abusive written communications between employees.

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# 2020 Definitive Risk & Compliance Benchmark Report

## *Insight*

Discover the trends and behaviors that influence program effectiveness.

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# Survey Finds Animal Care a Ripe Target for Private Equity, Even Amid COVID-19

## *Insight*

Pet owners' love for their animals, along with the impact of COVID-19, are among the reasons decision-makers feel bullish about the future of private equity and animal care, according to a new survey of 100 industry leaders conducted by Katten.

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# Redgrave LLP Welcomes Vanessa Barsanti as a Partner in Los Angeles

## *News*

Redgrave LLP, the premier law firm focusing exclusively on eDiscovery and information law, is proud to announce that Vanessa Barsanti has joined the Firm as a Partner in Los Angeles from Kirkland & Ellis LLP.

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# Ohio Governor Seeks Repeal of 'Tainted' Nuclear Bailout

## *Insights*

Gov. Mike DeWine on Thursday shifted gears and called on the Ohio General Assembly to repeal the law that would provide a \$1 billion bailout of two nuclear power plants on Lake Erie, given revelations about the alleged \$60 million bribery scheme that led to its passage.

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# Change Orders During the COVID-19 Pandemic – Managing Unexpected Construction Costs and Time Overruns

## *Insights*

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused cost overruns and project delays that construction owners and contractors could have never imagined before 2020.

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# Poseida Therapeutics Hires

# General Counsel and CCO

## *News*

Poseida Therapeutics, which launched its IPO on Nasdaq earlier this month, has hired Harry Leonhardt as general counsel and chief compliance officer (CCO).

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# BigLaw Firm Sued Over \$3M Wire Transfer to Fraudster's Account

## *News*

Holland & Knight is facing a lawsuit alleging that it failed to prevent the transfer of more than \$3 million to a fraudster's account in Hong Kong.

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# Bringing Your Business Online: Cyber Insurance

## *Insights*

The current COVID-19 pandemic has forced many businesses online in order to survive. In many cases, businesses had no plans to be online. Others were forced to move online more quickly than planned.

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# Recent Decision Warns That Employers With Poorly Drafted Arbitration Agreements May Get More Than They Bargained For

## *Insights*

Arbitration agreements are an increasingly popular way for employers to manage employment disputes effectively and efficiently.

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# Lawyer Arrested for Forging Judge's Signature to Get Client's Ankle Monitor Removed

## *News*

Paul "Jake" York, an attorney in Georgia, is accused of forging not just a prosecutor's signature but also a judge's in the hopes of getting his client's ankle monitor taken off.

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# **District Court Says Cruise Ship Passengers Cannot Recover For “Fear of Contracting COVID-19”**

## ***News***

Judge Klausner, sitting in the Central District, dismissed a claim brought by a class of Princess Cruise Line passengers premised on their exposure to COVID-19 while aboard the now-infamous cruise ship that departed San Francisco for Hawaii on February 21, 2020.

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# **Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff LLP Partner Marc Blubaugh Joins International Association of Defense Counsel**

## ***News***

Marc Blubaugh, a partner at Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff LLP in Columbus, Ohio, 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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## **Bradley Partner Jay Bender Receives Alabama Commendation Medal for His Work on the Haven Act**

### ***News***

The Alabama Army National Guard awarded the Alabama Commendation Medal to Bradley Arant Boult Cummings partner Jay Bender for his work drafting and helping to secure passage of the “Honoring American Veterans in Extreme Need Act of 2019” (HAVEN Act).

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## **New Prime Lawsuit Could End With \$28 Million Settlement**

### ***News***

A trucking lawsuit against carrier New Prime that has lasted five years and prompted a decision by the U.S. Supreme Court could be nearing an end.

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# Real Problems with Virtual Jury Trials: The Shallowing of Jury Pools

## *News*

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues with no certain end in sight, courts and lawyers alike must come to terms with the possibility that the conduct of trials may require dramatic changes to keep the wheels of justice turning.

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# Amazon, Google Tap Big Law to Bolster In-House Ranks

## *News*

Amazon.com Inc. and Alphabet Inc.'s Google LLC have hired a pair of public policy experts to expand their antitrust and energy capabilities.