

Duane Morris Welcomes Corporate Partner Anastasia N. Kaup in Chicago

News

Anastasia N. Kaup has joined Duane Morris LLP as a partner in the firm's Corporate Practice Group in its Chicago office. Prior to joining Duane Morris, Kaup practiced at Mayer Brown LLP.

Dominion and Duke Energy Abandon Atlantic Coast Pipeline

Insights

Dominion Energy and Duke Energy announced that they are canceling the \$8 billion Atlantic Coast Pipeline.

USA Technologies Adds New General Counsel

News

USA Technologies, Inc., a cashless payments and software services company that provides end-to-end technology solutions

for the self-service retail market, today announced that Davina Furnish has been named General Counsel.

Harvey Weinstein Reaches Tentative \$19 Million Settlement with Accusers

News

Harvey Weinstein and his former studio's board have reached a nearly \$19 million settlement with dozens of his sexual misconduct accusers.

Biglaw Firms Complete Big-Money Merger During Pandemic

News

Philadelphia-based Pepper Hamilton and Atlanta-based Troutman Sanders have finally completed their merger to create Troutman Pepper Hamilton Sanders.

Attorney Arrested for Federal Bribe, Extortion Charges

News

Prosecutors contended attorney Keith Mitchell is a flight risk who should remain behind bars after he eluded authorities for more than 24 hours and potentially obstructed justice when he called four Toledo city councilmen after learning he and they were the targets of a federal bribery and corruption probe.

5 Things You Need to Know About the Recent Illinois Ruling on Force Majeure and COVID-19

Insights

Governmental shelter-in-place orders relieve a tenant's obligation to pay rent pursuant to a force majeure provision in a commercial lease agreements.

Improper Use of Voluntarily

Communicated Trade Secrets Sufficient to Maintain Action for Misappropriation in Texas

Insights

The US Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit held that, under Texas law, a plaintiff can sustain an action for trade secret misappropriation even if the plaintiff voluntarily communicated the alleged trade secrets to the defendant.

Watch Your Stipulation! Award Confirmed Despite Arbitrator Exceeding Contractual Scope of Authority

Insights

Once parties agree to arbitrate, courts generally defer to the arbitrator's judgment regarding resolution of a dispute.

Supreme Court Upholds

Trademark Registration for Generic Term Combined with Top-Level Domain

News

The Supreme Court recently determined that a generic term combined with a top-level domain designation can be protected as a trademark. Hotel booking website Booking.com B.V. sought to register its “Booking.com” domain name as a trademark.

Tamiflu Maker Won \$1.4B Contract after Deceiving the FDA about Drug's Pandemic Effectiveness

News

Drug company Hoffmann-La Roche falsified scientific conclusions and mounted a high-powered marketing and lobbying campaign to deceive the government about the effectiveness of Tamiflu for fighting a flu pandemic, according to new filings in a federal False Claims Act lawsuit.

Judge Reinstates \$85M of Previously Tossed \$348M FCA Verdict Against Nursing Home Manager

News

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit this week reinstated part of a False Claims Act (FCA) verdict that was overturned in 2018, issuing a judgment of more than \$255 against multiple companies.

Tezos Likely Avoiding SEC Action With \$25M Class-Action Lawsuit Settlement

News

The Tezos class-action lawsuit from law firm Block & Leviton will likely conclude in a \$25-million settlement on August 27.

MSG Entertainment Names Scott

Packman Executive Vice President and General Counsel

News

Madison Square Garden Entertainment Corp. ... announced that Scott Packman – a seasoned executive with more than 25 years of legal experience – has been named Executive Vice President and General Counsel, effective July 1.

Harmonizing IP in North America: Important Intellectual Property Provisions in the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement

News

Though it has gone largely unnoticed in the press, the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA) took effect on July 1. Ratified in January, the USMCA represents a modernization of the 1995 North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). Chapter 20 of the USMCA touches on all areas of intellectual property law, harmonizing many of the member country's provisions for protecting and enforcing patents, trademarks, copyrights, and trade secrets.

Cohen Seglias Welcomes DC Partners Shanlon Wu and Julie Grohovsky, Announces White Collar Defense & Government Investigations Practice

News

Cohen Seglias Pallas Greenhall & Furman PC is pleased to announce that Shanlon Wu and Julie Grohovsky have joined the firm as partners in the Washington, D.C. office.

Six IP Professionals Join Shackelford, Bowen, McKinley & Norton in Dallas, Houston

News

Business and entertainment law firm Shackelford, Bowen, McKinley & Norton, LLP has expanded its intellectual property and corporate legal expertise with the addition of six IP professionals and a veteran corporate law attorney in Dallas and Houston.

Eversheds Sutherland Continues Growth in Chicago with Three Real Estate Laterals

News

Eversheds Sutherland is pleased to announce the further expansion of the firm's Chicago office with the arrival of three attorneys in the Real Estate Practice Group. Ruth A. Schoenmeyer has joined the firm as partner, and Kathleen Dempsey Boyle and Stephanie J. Kim have joined the firm as counsel.

Barnes & Thornburg Adds Labor and Employment Partner in Chicago

News

Barnes & Thornburg has added labor and employment attorney Terese M. Connolly as partner in the firm's Labor and Employment Department. Ms. Connolly, who joins in Chicago, advises multinational corporations on a full spectrum of employment-related issues that arise when managing a global workforce.

Amazon Sues Former Marketing VP who Took Job at Google over Alleged Breach of Non-compete Agreement

Insights

E-commerce and tech behemoth, Amazon, has filed a lawsuit against the former vice president of marketing for its Amazon Web Services division, Brian Hall, alleging that his new role at Google Cloud violates the terms of his non-compete agreement