

# Michael Best Combines with Established Entrepreneurial Law Firm RWR Legal

## *News*

Michael Best announced today the addition of RWR Legal into its Austin office operations, effective immediately.

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# Trial Lawyers Michael Lyons, Chris Simmons Launch Dallas-based Trial Firm

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Veteran Dallas trial lawyers Michael Lyons and Chris Simmons have formed Lyons & Simmons, LLP, a trial firm focused

on handling personal injury and wrongful death matters as well as complex business disputes in Texas and throughout the United States.

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## **Steptoe Bolsters Energy Group with Arrivals of Donna Byrne, John Perkins**

### ***News***

Donna Byrne and John Perkins have joined Steptoe's Energy Practice and will be based in the firm's DC office.

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## **Hogan Lovells adds leading finance lawyer to New York office**

### ***News***

Global law firm Hogan Lovells is pleased to announce that Ben Garcia has joined the firm's Finance practice as a partner in New York.

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# **Barnes & Thornburg Adds Corporate Partner Tiffany D. Presley in Indianapolis Office**

## ***News***

Tiffany D. Presley, an experienced commercial transactions and supply chain attorney, has joined Barnes & Thornburg's Indianapolis office as a partner in the firm's Corporate Department.

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# **Bradley Partner J. Thomas Trent Jr. among Only Two 2020 Client Choice Award Winners in Tennessee**

## ***News***

Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP Nashville partner J. Thomas Trent Jr. is one of only two attorneys in Tennessee to win a 2020 Client Choice Award. The awards annually recognize lawyers worldwide for excellent client service.

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# **Federal Judges Predict Litigation Costs Will Rise Because of CCPA**

## ***Insight***

78% of US Federal Judges think that the enactment of new data privacy laws (GDPR, CCPA) will increase discovery costs. Learn more about this and other insights from the bench by downloading the recently published, 6th Annual Federal Judges Survey.

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# **Carrington Coleman Founder Jim Coleman of Dallas Leaves Lasting Impact on Legal Ethics, Professionalism**

## ***News***

Jim Coleman passed away on Saturday, February 22, in Dallas. He was 96.

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# **Perkins Coie Continues Growth**

# of Construction Practice in Chicago With Attorney Diana Bowman

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# Mangling the Drafting of Binding Arbitration Clauses

## *Insight*

Arbitration is a matter of contract. There are plenty of articles out there on drafting arbitration clauses, but far too often drafters fail to consider the basics.

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# Day Rates, Independent Contractor Status, FLSA and an Unlicensed Lawyer

## *News*

Have you ever considered the possibility that you might be the next person your contract attorney sues?

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# **Kent Mawhinney, Fotis Dulos' Former Attorney, Pleads Not Guilty to Conspiracy Charge in Murder**

## ***News***

Kent Mawhinney, a lawyer and friend of Fotis Dulos, pleaded not guilty Thursday to conspiring to kill Dulos' estranged wife, Jennifer Farber Dulos, last May.

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# **Orange County Lawyer Faces Federal Charges, Accused of Selling 'Ghost Guns'**

## ***News***

Federal agents with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives say 41-year-old attorney Melinda Romines was allegedly trying to sell the guns by acting as a broker between black market dealers and customers.

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# Ed Board Member Resigns to Pursue District General Counsel Job

## *News*

Board of Education member John Williams resigned from the board Wednesday to pursue a job as the district's general counsel.

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# FERC Defends Use of Tolling Orders Before the DC Circuit En Banc

## *Insight*

The Petitioner's main challenge was FERC's usage of tolling orders as impermissible under the Natural Gas Act and the Due Process Clause of the Fifth Amendment.

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# Use Precise Draftsmanship to Avoid or Obtain a Brokerage

# Commission Payment

## *Insight*

When negotiating exclusive listing agreements or other forms of commission agreements any right to a commission after a broker's agency has expired must be discussed and memorialized in a contract.

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# Taking Care of Business (Day) – Defining “Business Day” in Agreements

## *Insight*

In the USA, being all business all the time, “Business Day” is relatively easy to define, but suppose you have an international transaction?

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# Hinshaw Adds Five Lawyer Group to Consumer Financial Services Practice in New York

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# **Snow, Christensen & Martineau Partner Camille Johnson Joins International Association of Defense Counsel**

## ***News***

Camille Neddo Johnson, a partner at Snow, Christensen & Martineau in Salt Lake City, has accepted an invitation to join the International Association of Defense Counsel, the preeminent invitation-only global legal organization for attorneys who represent corporate and insurance interests.