

# Perkins Coie Adds Tech Partner John Delaney In New York

## *News*

John Delaney has joined Perkins Coie's Technology Transactions & Privacy (TTP) practice as a partner in the New York office.

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# Judge Rebukes DOJ, Says U.S. 'Laughable' for Using Shutdown to Delay Suit

## *News*

The judge decried "an abdication by the president and the Congress" of the duty to govern responsibly.

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# General Counsel Named in Corruption Probe Subpoenas Resigns

## *News*

Emily McNeeley was placed on unpaid leave in April after corruption investigators repeatedly named her, and her boss in

subpoenas served on the county.

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## **Why Johnson & Johnson May Not Have to Pay Its \$4.7 Billion Court Verdict**

### ***News***

While a \$4.7 billion jury verdict against Johnson & Johnson in July was eye-popping, J&J may pay far less, or nothing, reports Bloomberg. No verdict of that size has survived appeal.

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## **Download: Expert Analysis on Emerging Board Issues for 2019**

### ***Insight***

The report from the NACD offers comprehensive guidance that will inform governance decisions and strategic planning in 2019.

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# Working Smarter with Patent Counsel: Tips for Inventors and In-House Lawyers

*Webinar, Jan. 23, 2019*

Fitch, Even, Tabin & Flannery LLP will present a free webinar, "Working Smarter with Patent Counsel: Tips for Inventors and In-House Lawyers," featuring Fitch Even attorney Jennifer V. Suarez.

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## Bradley Elevates 16 Attorneys to Partner or Counsel

*News*

Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP has elevated 16 of the firm's attorneys to partner or counsel, effective Jan. 1, 2019.

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## Morrison & Foerster Elects 12 Partners

*News*

Law firm Morrison & Foerster promoted six men and six women to partner across its offices in New York, London, Tokyo, Berlin, San Francisco, San Diego, and Washington, DC.

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# **Rick Sevcik Named Managing Partner of Perkins Coie's Chicago Office**

## **News**

Rick Sevcik has been named managing partner of Perkins Coie's Chicago office, effective January 1.

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# **Syngenta MDL Judge Tears Up Lawyers' Contingency Contracts in \$500 Million Fee Ruling**

## **News**

A U.S. district judge has set aside individual contingency fee contracts that some plaintiffs' lawyers had in place for clients in a multidistrict litigation, according to a Reuters report.

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# Lawyer Who ‘Won’t Take No for an Answer’ is Suspended for Two Years

## *News*

Tom Gannon persisted in filing a total 46 appeals in the state court system in a small civil dispute for a client, despite multiple denials and admonitions from the court.

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# ‘The Dark Overlord’ Didn’t Hack Systems, Husch Blackwell Says

## *News*

The group says it has 18,000 documents that include emails and nondisclosure documents sent and received by two insurers and a Husch Blackwell predecessor firm.

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# Webinar: Enterprise Slack – Stay Sane and Secure While

# Managing EDiscovery

*Webinar, Jan. 10, 1:30 p.m. EST*

In this webinar, Hanzo will have industry experts speak on Slack and the challenges it presents corporations as they navigate the delicate balance between collaboration and data risk.

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## To Be a Good In-House Counsel, Be Prepared to Break The Law, Maybe

*Insight*

As an in-house counsel – the individual tasked with mitigating risk for your employer – sometimes you have to make a decision much hastier than you might normally be comfortable with doing so, writes Stephen R. Williams in a column for Above the Law.

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## 2018's Bad Guys in Energy

*Insight*

Charles Sartain of Gray Reed & McGraw has posted a list of what he calls “2018’s parade of reprobates, rascalions and others generally lacking in moral hygiene” in the world of energy law.

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# Fears Nachawati Co-Founder Appointed to Key Dallas Bar Association Panel

## *News*

Fears Nachawati Law Firm co-founder Majed Nachawati has been appointed to the Dallas Bar Association's Lawyer Referral Service Committee.

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# When a Promise Isn't Enough – Crafting Proper Employee Patent Assignments

## *Insight*

Unless employee patent assignments are drafted with care, manufacturers will find themselves in the unenviable position of not owning patent rights to their employees' work, warns Foley & Lardner.

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# Enforcing a Non-Compete Agreement? One Size Does Not Fit All

## *Insight*

There is no one-size-fits-all non-compete agreement, and the enforceability of a non-compete agreement turns upon the state law under which it is construed, points out a blog post from Knobbe Martens.

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# A Guide to Outsourcing Contractual Relations

## *Insight*

The guide covers contract forms, due diligence, duration and renewal, supplier selection, service specifications, charging methods, warranties and indemnities, and ending the agreement.

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# Parties Must Proceed to Arbitration Despite Unavailability of Arbitration

# Forum Specifically Named in the Contract

## *News*

An Ohio appellate court has addressed an issue that arose when an arbitrator specified in a contract is no longer available.