

# Houston Day Care Center Sued over Toddler's Death in Hot Van

## *News*

The family of a 3-year-old who died after being left for more than four hours in a Houston day care center's van in late July has sued the operator for negligence.

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# 'Superhero' Lawyer Who Argued Cases Before Supreme Court Slain in Home

## *News*

The Mayer Brown partner had spent some time in the U.S. solicitor general's office, arguing cases before the U.S. Supreme Court.

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**How IRS Taxes Kill  
Plaintiff's \$289M Monsanto**

# Weedkiller Verdict

## *Insight*

If you are the plaintiff with a contingent fee lawyer, the IRS treats you as receiving 100% of the money, even if the defendant pays your lawyer directly, writes Robert W. Wood for *Forbes*.

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# Partner Settles Bias Suit Against Her Law Firm, Proskauder

## *News*

The partner alleged the firm's hostile treatment caused her to take medical leave to deal with psychological and physical symptoms of emotional distress.

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# Former Acting Deputy U.S. Attorney Joins Sidley as Partner in New York

## *News*

Joan Loughnane, former Acting Deputy United States Attorney at the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York, will join Sidley's Litigation Group in New York

as a partner in its White Collar: Government Litigation & Investigations practice.

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## **Amy M. Stewart Appointed Division V. Director for ABA Section of Litigation**

### ***News***

Amy M. Stewart, founding partner of Stewart Bradbury PLLC, was recently appointed as 2018-19 Division V. Director for the ABA's Section of Litigation.

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## **Perkins Coie Adds Debt Financing Partner in San Francisco**

### ***News***

R. Bruce Steinert Jr. has joined Perkins Coie's Mergers & Acquisitions and Private Equity practice as a partner in the San Francisco office.

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# Quarles & Brady Adds Litigator Mark Kornfeld to Litigation & Dispute Resolution Practice

## *News*

Mark A. Kornfeld has joined Quarles & Brady's Litigation & Dispute Resolution Practice Group as a partner in its Tampa office.

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# Latham Completes Makeover After Chair's Scandalous Exit

## *News*

The leadership changes come as mega-firms like Latham are locked in increasingly vigorous competition with high-profile rivals, according to Bloomberg Law.

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# Law Firm PR Lessons Straight from Today's Headlines

## *Insight*

While it may be obvious, the public relations lesson provided in two examples is simple: always tell the truth.

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# Jury Hits Monsanto with \$289 Million Verdict in Roundup Trial

## *News*

Ruling in favor of former school groundskeeper Dewayne Johnson, the jury awarded \$39.25 million in compensatory damages and \$250 million in punitive damages.

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# 10 Contract Issues to Consider When Implementing an ERP System

## *Insight*

Morgan Lewis offers 10 framework issues to consider when in-house lawyers start thinking about how to support a business client that is looking to implement a new or replacement enterprise resource platform.

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# Automatic Renewals of Consumer Contracts: Everything You Ever Wanted to Know But Were Afraid to Ask

## *Insight*

Automatic renewals of consumer contracts should be used with care, particularly in light of recent changes to state automatic renewal laws and increased scrutiny from government officials and class action lawyers, warns a recent post on the website of Drinker Biddle & Reath.

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# Recovering Data Breach Losses from Non-Contractual Parties

## *Insight*

Often, the loss initially falls on the financial institution through account or card agreement provisions or deadlines imposed by statutes or regulations, according to a Dykema blog post.

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# LegalTech by the Numbers: In-

# House Lawyers Share Wants, Needs and Pain Points

## *Insight*

The responses show that legal departments are looking for matter management tools, litigation management and e-discovery tools, intellectual property management, and contract automation tools.

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# Department of Energy Streamlines Small-Scale LNG Export Authorizations

## *Insight*

The Department of Energy has announced a final rule that will expedite the approval process for small-scale exports of natural gas, reports Cadwalader.

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# The Entire W.Va. Supreme Court Faces Impeachment for Alleged Corruption

## *News*

Fourteen articles of impeachment allege corruption,

maladministration, incompetence, neglect of duty and potential criminal behavior – impeachable offenses under the state constitution, according to *The Washington Post*.

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## **New ABA Membership Model Will Mean Lower Dues, Free CLE and Customized Content**

### **News**

Under the new structure, there will be five price points for the basic level of dues-paying ABA membership.

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## **Outgoing Wynn Resorts Ex-GC Kim Sinatra to Get Big Cash Settlement**

### **News**

Her successor, Ellen Whittemore, will be paid \$600,000 a year, plus benefits.

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# Download: Improve Compliance Training to Reduce Risk

## *Insight*

Poor decisions made by employees or lack of awareness around the law can expose your organization to workplace harassment fines, wage & hour violations, and international bribery and corruption charges.