

# AZA Again Ranked Among Top Commercial Litigation Firms in Chambers USA

## **NEWS**

Ahmad, Zavitsanos, Anaipakos, Alavi & Mensing P.C. was named one of the nation's top commercial litigation firms in the 2015 edition of *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*.

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# Dallas Criminal Defense Lawyer John Teakell Contributes Chapter to Book Offering Insights to Defendants

## **NEWS**

In "A Cup of Coffee with 10 of the Top Criminal Defense Attorneys in the United States," Teakell outlines state and federal statutes and describes similarities and differences in investigations and procedures in the two systems.

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# Federal Court Rules Racial Discrimination Lawsuit Against Frisco ISD Can Proceed

## **NEWS**

The ruling overturned a 2014 summary judgment issued by the U.S. District Court in Sherman that dismissed the case in the school district's favor.

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# Are 'Best Efforts' Provisions Enforceable in Maritime Contracts?

## **White Paper**

Including "best efforts" provisions in a maritime contract can be a good practice, but only if the contract includes guidelines as to what constitutes the party's "best efforts."

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# Defensibility: The Dirty

# Little Secrets of eDiscovery

## *White Paper*

Defensibility problems due to spoliation of data between collection and review don't get the same press or case law "bench slaps" that typically result from failures in preservation.

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## **Latham & Watkins Advises Extra Space Storage in Acquisition of SmartStop Self Storage and Pricing of Public Offering**

### *NEWS*

Latham & Watkins LLP advised Extra Space in the acquisition and offering with a corporate team led from the firm's San Diego office.

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## **Microsystems Sets 2 June Webinars on DocXtools and**

# Patent Companion

*Events, June 24 and 25, 10 a.m. CDT*

A Microsystems DocXtools presentation webinar on June 24 will focus on document conversion tools. And a June 25 webinar will explain how Patent Companion can help create higher quality patent applications more quickly and with less risk.

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## Dallas Family Lawyer Robert A. Emerson Joins VernerBrumleyMcCurley

**NEWS**

Robert A. Emerson has joined Dallas family law firm VernerBrumleyMcCurley PC as an associate.

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## Lighthouse Brings Precision and Cost Savings to Review with Focus Discovery

**NEWS**

Lighthouse eDiscovery announces an innovative new service that leverages technology and substantive analysis to organize, prioritize, and bring focus to review.

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# Neal, Gerber & Eisenberg Names New Managing Partner

## **NEWS**

Neal, Gerber & Eisenberg has just named Scott J. Fisher the firm's new managing partner effective January 1, 2016.

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# Patricia Spiccia Joins Quarles & Brady's Tax-Exempt Organizations Practice Group

## **NEWS**

Quarles & Brady has added Patricia Spiccia to the firm's Chicago office in its Tax-Exempt Organizations Practice Group.

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# Oil Price and the Energy Industry: Finding Resilience Through Volatility

## **On-Demand**

EY on-demand webinar discusses the question: What will happen

to the oil price in 2015 and beyond?

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## **Are You a Government Subcontractor?**

### ***White Paper***

Sometimes subcontractors and materials suppliers are incorporated by reference and then are obligated to comply with those government-unique requirements.

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## **Litigation Shows Buyout Clauses Don't Always Provide Certainty as Designed**

### ***White Paper***

Although the purpose of the “buyout” is to allow both coach and university to avoid future costs of litigating a breach of contract case, some recent lawsuits reveal that is sometimes easier said than done.

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# ERISA Ruling: Claimant Has 'Duty to Investigate' When Asserting Equitable Tolling of Contractual Limitations Provision

## **NEWS**

A plaintiff is not reasonably diligent when she fails to investigate basic issues that are relevant to her claim or to proceed with it in a reasonably prompt fashion.

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# New Hire Notifications and Other State Requirements: Understanding the Compliance Challenge

## **Event, June 23, 12 p.m. CDT**

Equifax will present a webinar featuring a leading labor attorney talking about the fast-growing number of new hire reporting and notification requirements states are imposing on employers, and how HR professionals can better manage the process of monitoring, interpreting and enforcing them.

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# Aligning Incentives Through Contract Terms

## *On-Demand*

Webinar talks about increasing the value of sourcing contracts by linking the supplier's profitability with how quickly and how well the supplier advances your business objectives.

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# DLA Piper Expands Philadelphia Office

## *NEWS*

Matthew Genkin has joined DLA Piper's Corporate practice as an associate in its Philadelphia office.

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# HIPAA Compliance and Non-Business Associate Vendors: Strategies and Best Practices

## *EVENT, July 14, 2 p.m. EDT*

HIPAA covered entities (including health care providers and health plans) and their business associates must be mindful of HIPAA compliance when working with other entities even when that other entity is not a business associate.

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# Latham & Watkins Advises LifeStorage in Financing from Consortium

## **NEWS**

Latham & Watkins LLP advised LifeStorage, L.P. and its affiliates in securing a new \$300 million acquisition facility & term loan from a consortium.