

# Litigation is Inevitable: Update on Recent Advertising Class Actions

*Event, Feb. 22, 12 p.m. EST*

The webinar will include a discussion of developing cases, the post-Spokeo standing on class actions, and hot button issues such as the economic models in support of class certification. Speaker also will discuss the types of cases that are receiving the most traction.

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# Voluntary Standard Development Organizations Prevail in Copyright Litigation

*News*

A federal judge has found that Public.Resource.Org infringed upon the copyright of educational standards developed by the American Educational Research Association, the American Psychological Association and the National Council on Measurement in Education.

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# Download: The Comprehensive Guide to E-Discovery Data Collections

## *Insight*

Exterro has published an e-discovery guide examining must-have and new data collection best practices, which will empower a legal team to create streamlined and cost-saving data collection policies.

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# Data Processing Benchmark Report Reveals the Next Big Trends

## *Insight*

Zapproved's 2017 In-House E-Discovery Data Processing Benchmark Report reveals participant satisfaction with data processing speed, cost, ease of use, security and risk reduction.

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# Court Finds Contract and

# Arbitration Clause Unenforceable Due to Fraud in the Inception

## *News*

The court cited a California Court of Appeals decision for the proposition that it was enough that defendants, as the party drafting the contract, drafted the contract “‘in such a way as to not apprise’ the other party of its intentions.”

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# Mark Lanier Named Trial Lawyer of the Year by National Trial Lawyers Group

## *News*

National Trial Lawyers named Mark Lanier its Trial Lawyer of the Year and recognized Lanier’s as being among the Top 25 most influential litigation firms in the United States.

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# Jury Awards Ousted General Counsel \$8M

## *News*

A federal jury awarded the former general counsel of BioRad

Laboratories \$8 million in back pay and damages – which will increase to \$11 million – for whistleblower retaliation involving potential bribery in China, according to a Courthouse News article.

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## **Judge Wants Review of Legal Bills After Firms Reveal 9,000 Hours Of ‘Inadvertent’ Double-Billed Times**

### **News**

The hourly rates claimed in the firms’ filings, which ranged from \$335 to \$500 an hour, were often 10 times more than what the lawyers normally earned, according to *The Boston Globe*.

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## **Invitation: General Counsel to Discuss Cost Control**

### **Event, Feb. 23, 3 p.m. CST**

Bloomberg Big Law Business, in partnership with Catalyst, will convene corporate counsel to discuss the need to control rising legal costs particularly related to litigation at the complimentary event, Controlling Litigation Costs – Managing Your Legal Department for Success.

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# Federal Judges Survey: Featured E-Discovery Case Law Report

## *Insight*

For the third consecutive year, federal judges do not feel the typical attorney has the required knowledge to be effectively counseling clients on e-discovery matters, according to Exterro's Third Annual Judges Surve

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# Neil Gorsuch: Scalia's Views Mixed With Kennedy's Style

## *News*

Gorsuch may be more conservative than Kennedy when it comes to expanding individual rights, but he seems to lack Scalia's fervor for overturning liberal precedents from decades past, according to *The Los Angeles Times*.

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# Recovery of Contractual

# Attorneys' Fees for Tort and Contract Claims

## *Insight*

Low, Ball & Lynch discusses a case in which the California Court of Appeal addresses whether attorneys' fees can be awarded when a plaintiff alleges both tort and contract causes of action and dismisses the entire complaint before trial.

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# When an Arbitration Clause Sounds Permissive But Is Not: Does 'May' Really Mean 'Must'?

## *Insight*

Narges Kakalia of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo asks and then answers some pointed questions about arbitration in an article on the firm's ADR Advice website.

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# Exterro Survey of Federal Judges Shows Gain in E-

# Discovery Competency

## *Insight*

On the question of e-discovery competency, most respondents said that the typical attorney does not possess the subject matter knowledge required to counsel clients effectively on e-discovery matters.

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## Paul McCartney Wants 'Yesterday' Back, Sues Sony

### *News*

The Beatles songs were sold to Michael Jackson in 1985 and then to Sony, but U.S. laws have changed since that happened.

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## Former FDA Criminal Investigations Director Joins DLA Piper in Miami

### *News*

DLA Piper announced that former FDA criminal investigations director George Karavetsos has joined the firm's litigation practice as a partner in the Miami office.

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# **E-Sign: Reducing Risk & Strengthening Enforceability Webinar**

***Event, Feb. 7, 2 p.m. EST***

eSignLive by Vasco will present a complimentary one-hour webinar providing practical evidentiary considerations of electronic records and signatures and guidance on how to reduce your risk.

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# **Painful Verdicts for Johnson & Johnson**

***News***

The Lanier Law Firm said these verdicts marked the second and third bellwether trials among thousands of similar lawsuits nationwide that have been consolidated in multidistrict litigation in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas.

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# White Paper: Top 6 Legal Risks When Adopting E-Signatures

## *Insight*

This paper discusses how a well-designed process, supported by new-generation electronic signature technology, can reduce risk and increase the enforceability of e-transactions compared to paper processes.

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# Apple Adds to Qualcomm's Troubles, Filing Lawsuit Over Rebates

## *News*

Apple sued Qualcomm, its longtime partner, over what it said was \$1 billion in withheld rebates on Qualcomm's smartphone technology, according to *The New York Times*.