# Chris Simmons Named Partner at Dallas-based Trial Law Firm Deans & Lyons

***News***

Dallas-based trial law boutique Deans & Lyons, LLP announced the promotion of trial attorney Christopher J. Simmons to partner in the Dallas office.

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# Preservation Case Law – Winter 2016

***White Paper***

Zapproved Inc. has made available for download a new publication called The Word from the Top: New Rules Amendments are a “Big Deal.” This resource covers the latest opinions and trends in preservation case law.

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# Justice Scalia’s Death Prompts Dow Chemical to Settle Price-Fixing Case

***NEWS***

Dow was facing a $1.1 billion judgment in a price-fixing case,

but now Dow Chemical says it no longer thinks it could win its appeal without Justice Antonin Scalia on the bench.

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# Judge Threatens Subpoena to Force Clinton to Turn Over Entire Email Account

***NEWS***

Federal judge asks: “How on earth can the court conclude there is not at minimum a reasonable suspicion of bad faith?”

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# Judge Gives Volkswagen a Month to Present Diesel Compliance Plan

***NEWS***

Volkswagen has been given until March 24 to present an acceptable fix for bringing nearly 600,000 diesel cars into compliance with clean air laws, reports DW Akademie.

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# American Rule Prevails on Petition to Vacate Arbitration Award

***Article***

While parties can modify the American Rule in their contracts, they cannot preclude either party from seeking review of an arbitration award when they have effectively incorporated the FAA into their contracts, reports Squire Patton Boggs.

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# Zapproved Sees Strong Market Momentum for Legal Hold Pro Including Among Fortune 500

***Article***

Zapproved, pioneer of SaaS-based software for corporate legal departments, announced strong momentum for 2015.

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# The 4 Must-Follow Lawsuits Challenging Cruz's

# Presidential Eligibility

***NEWS***

The Texas senator now faces several lawsuits across the country – in Illinois, Texas, New York and Utah – that are bringing the candidate unwelcome distractions.

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# Dallas Law Firm Gardner Haas Adds Litigator Jeremy Camp as Partner

***NEWS***

Commercial litigator Jeremy Camp has joined trial law firm Gardner Haas PLLC, moving over from Dallas' Brewer Attorneys & Counselors, formerly Bickel & Brewer.

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# Texas Lawyer Dismissed from $22M Lawsuit

***NEWS***

A $22 million lawsuit against Beaumont, Texas attorney Wayne Reaud, along with several others, have been dismissed, reports SETexasRecord.com.

# Survey: Mitigating Reputation Damage in High-Profile Lawsuits

***White Paper***

A new survey shows senior legal officers recognize importance of communications – but most lack strategy, accountability for what is said outside the courtroom. Greentarget conducted the survey.

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# Dallas Medical Products Company ThermoTek Wins $9.6 Million in Fraud Case

***NEWS***

U.S. District Judge Sidney Fitzwater has entered a judgment of $9.6 million for medical products manufacturer ThermoTek Inc. after a jury found that a competitor fraudulently obtained the company’s business information for a series of physical therapy machines.

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# David J. Beck Honored by Litigation Section of State Bar of Texas

***NEWS***

David J. Beck of Houston, partner in Beck Redden LLP, was recently honored by the Litigation Section of the State Bar of Texas with the Luther (Luke) H. Soules III Award.

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# Wells Fargo to Pay $1.2B Federal Mortgage Settlement

***NEWS***

The government had accused the banking company of ‘reckless’ underwriting practices that led to thousands of federally-insured loans defaulting.

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# Home Health Provider Hit With $238,900 HIPAA Penalty

***NEWS***

This case marks only the second time that the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) has imposed civil monetary penalties for a HIPAA violation.

# Former GC Will Receive $850K for Alleged Defamation by Ex-Employer