

# Long Term Medical Needs: Complimentary CLE Seminar

## *Event*

Occupational Assessment Services will present a complimentary CLE dinner seminar titled “Documenting Long Term Medical Needs through a Life Care Plan and Establishing a Special Needs Trust.”

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# The True Cost of Defending Against Copyright Infringement Litigation

## *White Paper*

Several cost factors should be considered when evaluating strategy for resolving any outstanding copyright infringement claims, writes Keli Johnson Swan, an associate at Scott & Scott, LLP..

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# Foley Adds Two Accomplished Life Sciences Litigators in

# Boston

## **NEWS**

Foley & Lardner LLP announced that James Matthews and Katy Koski have joined the firm's Business Litigation & Dispute Resolution Practice and Life Sciences Industry Team as partners in the Boston office.

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## **How to Determine What is a Breach of Contract**

### **White Paper**

One of the more common forms of business disputes is a dispute over the failure to perform certain obligations set forth in a contract, writes Robert Fojo of Fojo Dell'Orfano.

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## **LOIs Are Nothing to LOL About: A Primer on Letters of Intent**

### **White Paper**

Parties must be careful in drafting LOIs if they want to avoid having a judge later hold that instead of a precursor to an agreement, the LOI became an enforceable agreement.

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# Joseph Ceccarelli Joins Wilson Elser's NYC Office

## **NEWS**

National law firm Wilson Elser announces that Joseph J. Ceccarelli has joined the firm's New York City office as a partner.

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# TCP to Pay \$3.9 Million in Settlement With Former General Counsel

## **NEWS**

The former general counsel of TCP International Holdings of Aurora, Ohio, has reached a settlement with the company in her lawsuit alleging the company's former CEO of physically assaulting her.

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# \$19.9 Million Jury Verdict in

# Houston Securities Fraud Case

## **NEWS**

The verdict included actual and punitive damages, and after pre-judgment interest and attorney's fees and expenses are added, the total judgment could exceed \$25 million.

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## **California Upholds Controversial Arbitration Clause Within Consumer Contract**

## **NEWS**

The California Supreme Court ruled recently in a case involving an arbitration clause in a consumer contract that because the buyer could not negotiate the provisions of the sales contract, he had established "some degree of procedural unconscionability."

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## **Dykema Adds Litigators Lea Courington and R. Chris**

# Harvey to Dallas Office

Dykema, a leading national law firm, today announced the addition of Lea Courington and R. Chris Harvey, both as senior counsel, to its Dallas office at Comerica Bank Tower. Prior to joining Dykema, both Courington and Harvey practiced at the Dallas firm of Stewart Courington Dugger Dean, PLLC.

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# Gardere Welcomes Renowned Litigator David Cabrales to the Firm

## **NEWS**

Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP has added David Cabrales as a litigation partner in the firm's Dallas office. Cabrales also will work with members of the firm's Government Affairs team in Austin.

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# Stradley Ronon Lands Commercial Litigation Partner From McCarter & English

## **NEWS**

Stradley Ronon announced that commercial litigation and insurance attorney Mark D. Villanueva has joined the firm as a

partner in its Philadelphia office. He was most recently a partner with McCarter & English.

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## **Check Your Technology License: Payments May Be Unenforceable**

### ***White Paper***

Technology license contract drafters can still achieve payment deferral and risk allocation without a long-term royalty distribution using creative and strategic provisions.

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## **Kat Gallagher to be Inducted as IATL Fellow**

### ***NEWS***

Kat Gallagher, partner in Beck Redden's Houston office, has been invited to become a Fellow of the International Academy of Trial Lawyers

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# Dallas Sexual Assault Victim Awarded \$21 Million Against Restaurant Owner

**NEWS** A young woman who was allegedly sexually assaulted in 2011 by the owner of a pizza restaurant in Addison, Texas, has been awarded \$21.43 million following a four-day bench trial heard in the 193rd District Court in Dallas.

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# AAA Revises Construction Industry Arbitration Rules and Mediation Procedures

## **White Paper**

Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman has posted an article about the American Arbitration Association's revised Construction Industry Arbitration Rules and Mediation Procedures which became effective July 1, 2015.

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# Breaching the Duty to Defend: Remedy for Recovering Peace

# of Mind

## *White Paper*

Estoppel, or forfeiture of defenses against coverage, in the end, is the penalty for a wrongful breach of the duty to defend.

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## **“Don’t Mess with Texas” (Choice of Law Provisions)**

## *White Paper*

eyfarth Shaw reports on a contract case in which a California court found that an arbitration agreement between Texas-based Neiman Marcus and a California-based employee was unconscionable because the agreement designated Texas law as the law to apply.

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## **Ward, Smith & Hill Helps Client Win \$9.25 Million East Texas Patent Verdict**

## *NEWS*

Ward, Smith & Hill and Banys, P.C. have won a \$9.25 million patent infringement verdict on behalf of the surviving family members of Dallas inventor Charles Freeny Jr. in a Texas

patent case.

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# Gruber Hurst Elrod Johansen Hail Shank Adds Two Proven Attorneys in Dallas

## **NEWS**

The Dallas-based law firm Gruber Hurst Elrod Johansen Hail Shank LLP has added Samuel M. Stricklin and Tricia R. DeLeon as partners.