

# Dentons Says \$32.3M Malpractice Verdict Was 'Simply Wrong,' And It Will Appeal

## *News*

Dentons says it will appeal a \$32.3 million malpractice verdict based on its disqualification in a patent case because of work done by its Canadian branch.

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# Anti-Chevron Lawyer Steven Donziger Gets Blessing for Return of His Law License

## *News*

Environmental attorney Steven Donziger received a passionate recommendation to receive his law license back on Monday from the officer presiding over his bar proceedings in New York.

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# Experts, Know Your Eight

# Bases of Persuasion

## *News*

What makes an expert witness persuasive to a jury? Is it their background and training? The work that they did on the case? Their communication skills in teaching the jury?

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# Day Rates, Independent Contractor Status, FLSA and an Unlicensed Lawyer

## *News*

Have you ever considered the possibility that you might be the next person your contract attorney sues?

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# Kent Mawhinney, Fotis Dulos' Former Attorney, Pleads Not Guilty to Conspiracy Charge in Murder

## *News*

Kent Mawhinney, a lawyer and friend of Fotis Dulos, pleaded not guilty Thursday to conspiring to kill Dulos' estranged wife, Jennifer Farber Dulos, last May.

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# Orange County Lawyer Faces Federal Charges, Accused of Selling 'Ghost Guns'

## *News*

Federal agents with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives say 41-year-old attorney Melinda Romines was allegedly trying to sell the guns by acting as a broker between black market dealers and customers.

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# Grand Jury Declines to Indict Defense Lawyer for Digging up Shell Casings

## *News*

On Monday, a grand jury declined to indict defense lawyer Angela Elleman accused of digging up shell casings linked to a murder case and keeping them in a safe for more than six years.

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# **Sandusky Prosecutor and Former Penn State Lawyer Disciplined**

## ***News***

Baldwin, who also was accused of violating professional rules for lawyers in her representation of the officials, was given a public reprimand by the high court Wednesday.

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# **Judge Tosses Law Firm's Suit Alleging Rival's Ads Inflated Recoveries**

## ***News***

A Kansas law firm that claimed that a competitor was inflating client recoveries in its advertising won't be able to pursue its lawsuit.

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# **Lawyer Is Ordered To Pledge Compliance With Ethics Rules**

# In Legible Handwriting

## *News*

A Cleveland-area lawyer had to show his contrition with a \$500 fine and a written mea culpa as a result of a judge's order last week.

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## Lawyer's Suit for Wrongful Handcuffing of Her May Proceed

## *News*

The Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals has reversed a summary judgment in favor of the City of Los Angeles and two of its police officers.

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## Disgraced Lawyer Michael Avenatti Found Guilty in Nike Extortion Trial

## *News*

Michael Avenatti was found guilty by a federal jury in New York on Friday of all three counts he faced over an attempt to extort Nike.

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# Uniontown Lawyer Accused of Orchestrating Scheme to 'Clean' Drug Money, For A Fee

## *News*

A tip to an FBI hotline launched an eight-month investigation by the state police organized crime unit that ended this week with a Uniontown lawyer being accused of offering to launder drug money for clients.

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# The Three "Musts" for a Competent Affidavit or Declaration

## *Insight*

The court reminded litigants that supporting affidavits must comply with three "musts" for a competent affidavit or declaration.

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# California Lawyer Arrested For Selling Guns and Distributing Methamphetamine

## *News*

Melinda Romines, 41, of Anaheim, was taken into federal custody this morning. She is expected to make her initial court appearance this afternoon in United States District Court in Los Angeles.

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# Bayer Asks California Court to Reverse \$86 Million Roundup Cancer Verdict

## *News*

Bayer denies the allegations made by more than 42,700 plaintiffs in the United States, saying decades of studies have shown Roundup and glyphosate are safe for human use.

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# O.C. Lawyer Arrested, Accused of Illegally Selling Firearms

# to Undercover ATF Agent

## *News*

Melinda Romines, a 41-year-old Anaheim resident, has been charged with conspiracy to engage in the business of dealing in firearms without a license.

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# Can We Talk? In-House Counsel and Opponent's Lawyer Can Communicate.

## *News*

Last month, the Virginia Supreme Court approved Legal Ethics Opinion 1890, and answered "Yes," in an opinion that also covered some other issues of concern to in-house counsel.

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# Texas University Moves to Fire its President Over Law School Admissions Scandal

## *News*

Lane failed to promptly report to the board or internal auditor allegations of fraudulent and dishonest conduct by an assistant law dean.



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# Lawsuit Alleges Biglaw Firm Failed To Monitor Partner With Substance Abuse Problem

## *News*

The allegations against Stevenson include ones that he provided legal advice under the influence of alcohol and cocaine and that Venning was not warned the legal work they got from Stevenson may be under the influence.