

# WilmerHale Accidentally Sent Whistleblower Docs to *Wall Street Journal*



When *The Wall Street Journal* broke a story about the firing of PepsiCo Inc.'s general counsel, the newspaper had some inside information: someone at WilmerHale accidentally sent a privileged memo about the case to the publication.

**Above the Law** recounts the story of how the memo, discussing a subpoena whistleblower/GC Maura Smith received, was sent to a group of lawyers – and the *Journal*.

Writer **Joe Patrice** speculates that “someone’s inline autocomplete got the better of them.” He also has some tongue-in-cheek advice for WilmerHale: call the whole thing fake news.

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