



## Franchise

DLA Piper's Franchise practice is a national and international leader in franchise law, having helped to shape the field from its inception. Many of the world's largest and most innovative restaurant chains, hotels, retailers, and service providers rely on us to help them successfully establish franchise or related distribution systems and navigate their expansion into new markets around the globe.

Our global Franchise practice is ranked tier one globally by all major legal directories. With lawyers located in all of the world's key jurisdictions, we are the leading law firm for businesses seeking counsel on franchising matters. For companies that are expanding nationally and for multinationals that are expanding their businesses across the globe, we are the go-to firm, having represented clients in franchise transactions in more than 100 countries. We have considerable experience in assisting established and emerging companies in a wide range of industries, from retail and fashion, food and beverage, and hospitality and leisure to high-technology, consumer, and professional services of all descriptions.

We serve as General Counsel to the International Franchise Association, the major trade association for the franchise industry. Additionally we are affiliate members of other national franchise associations in key global markets, including the British Franchise Association and its affiliation to the European Franchise Federation as well as the Germany Association for Distribution law. We also are closely affiliated with organizations in Australia, China, and Russia. We represent clients across the entire spectrum of businesses that have adopted franchising as a means of distribution and cover a broad scope of size and experience, from entrepreneurs and startup companies that are establishing new programs to the largest franchisors, manufacturers and distributors. Our clients manage franchise networks that range from dozens to thousands of outlets as well as trading globally through online and mobile media channels. While the majority of our clients are franchisors, we also represent multiple-outlet franchisees, area developers, and master franchisees. We also handle franchising joint ventures and a wide variety of franchise-related corporate, real estate, technology, data privacy, finance, environmental, tax, and other matters.

### CAPABILITIES

- Structuring and documenting franchise programs
- Advising companies on structuring alternative distribution relationships that avoid

### KEY CONTACTS

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### RELATED SERVICES

- Antitrust and Competition
- Commercial Contracts
- Employment
- Finance
- Intellectual Property and Technology
- International Arbitration
- International Tax Counsel
- International Trade
- International Trade, Regulatory and Government Affairs
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Real Estate
- Technology Transactions and Strategic Sourcing

### RELATED SECTORS

- Hospitality and Leisure
- Industrials
- Life Sciences
- Consumer Goods, Food and Retail
- Technology

regulation under franchise laws

- Preparing disclosure documents, counseling on applicable registration requirements and compliance with disclosure regulation
- Restructuring existing franchise relationships
- Franchise and dealership terminations and transfers and counseling on compliance with relationship regulation
- Representing franchise and distribution companies in litigation, arbitration, mediation and other alternative dispute resolution techniques
- Structuring advertising funds and developing advertising programs and materials
- Developing supply programs for franchisees
- Expansion into new markets through master franchising, area development relationships, joint ventures and other structures

## EXPERIENCE

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- Act as franchise counsel to one of the world's leading oil and gas companies on matters relating to its domestic and international mini market chains, and handled the sale of a refinery and related distribution and retail assets in a \$2.5 billion transaction
- Representing a major hotel franchisor in connection with its international franchise operations in nearly 50 countries. This multi-jurisdictional project involved DLA Piper's franchise lawyers advising on local contractual and regulatory issues in each jurisdiction
- Continuing representation in all international franchise matters for global icon fashion retailer which, like some other US brands, does not franchise in the US but is exploring the franchising technique to expand rapidly outside the US
- Served as franchise counsel to a private equity firm in its acquisition of a portfolio of leading food service brands, including some of the leading consumer brands. Provided ongoing counsel for domestic franchise activities and international franchise expansion

## INSIGHTS

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### Publications

#### Food and Beverage News and Trends

23 September 2019

#### [FOOD AND BEVERAGE NEWS AND TRENDS SERIES](#)

In this issue, USDA publishes hog slaughterhouse rule, flavored e-cigarettes in the news, plus vegetarian meat, chocolate milk, bottle sizes, sugary snacks.

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#### Food and Beverage News and Trends

6 September 2019

#### [FOOD AND BEVERAGE NEWS AND TRENDS SERIES](#)

In this issue, FDA warning letter puts papaya industry, and food sector, on notice; cell-based meat companies form trade group; Florida ponders reforming alcohol laws.

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#### Food and Beverage News and Trends

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20 August 2019

## FOOD AND BEVERAGE NEWS AND TRENDS SERIES

In this issue, FDA issues first warning letter under the FSMA foreign supplier verification requirements, Seattle wrangles over soda tax revenue, plus school meal standards, clean water, and Hep A in the news.

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### US Trade Representative publishes fourth list of Chinese products subject to Section 301 tariffs

19 August 2019

Yet more Chinese products will be subject to an additional 10 percent tariff.

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### Food and Beverage News and Trends

6 August 2019

## FOOD AND BEVERAGE NEWS AND TRENDS SERIES

In this issue, Gottlieb calls on FDA to act on CBD, Arkansas meat-labeling law faces constitutional challenge, plus meatballs, leafy greens, GMOs.

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### Food and Beverage News and Trends

18 July 2019

## FOOD AND BEVERAGE NEWS AND TRENDS SERIES

In this issue, lawsuits fight state meat-labeling laws, call for cancer warning on alcohol, high court strikes down Tennessee alcohol sales statute, plus bison, blood pressure, beverage taxes, best if used by.

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### Food and Beverage News and Trends

21 June 2019

## FOOD AND BEVERAGE NEWS AND TRENDS SERIES

In this issue, FDA settles suit on deadlines for reporting on high-risk foods, TTB announces new "Conditional Approval" process for alcohol labels, plus PFAS, biotech, added sugars, frozen food recalls.

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### Supreme Court: employers defending against Title VII discrimination or retaliation claims must timely assert employee's failure to first file EEOC charge

5 JUN 2019

A simple step may preserve a potentially dispositive defense that is otherwise waived if not timely asserted.

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### What *Patterson* giveth, *Vazquez* taketh away: a troubling decision for franchisors

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22 MAY 2019

## FRANCAST SERIES

The Ninth Circuit recently issued a decision in *Vazquez v. Jan-Pro Franchising Int'l* that raises serious concerns for the franchise model.

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**Law à la Mode: Beauty Trends: 5 Key Beauty M&A deals; Street art and fashion; Word from the industry's mouth; The rise in innovative retail services; and more**

20 MAY 2019

## LAW À LA MODE SERIES

The Moroccan editorial team is delighted to bring you the 28th edition of Law à la Mode, the quarterly legal magazine produced by DLA Piper's Consumer Goods & Retail Sector Group for clients and contacts of the firm worldwide.

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### Intellectual Property and Technology News (Asia Pacific) May 2019

15 MAY 2019

## INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND TECHNOLOGY NEWS SERIES

Intellectual Property and Technology News (Asia Pacific) is our biannual publication designed to report on worldwide development in intellectual property and technology law, offering perspectives, analysis and visionary ideas.

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### CCPA update: The California Assembly Privacy Committee begins smoothing some rough edges

26 APR 2019

The California Assembly Privacy and Consumer Protection Committee has begun the important work of clarifying significant ambiguities in the California Consumer Privacy Act.

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### Top franchise developments of 2018

11 APR 2019

DLA Piper IPT attorneys Barry Heller, John Hughes and Karen Marchiano recently conducted a webinar reviewing 2018's top franchise developments. Two stand out from the rest.

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### March 2019 - Key issues in brand cross-licensing in China

20 MAR 2019

In recent years, Chinese brands have been increasingly gaining global recognition, especially in the technology, ecommerce, and consumer goods sectors. In this context, an increased number of foreign businesses are considering branded partnerships with a Chinese counterparty as a way of operating in China (e.g., co-branded joint venture). In recent years, Chinese brands have been increasingly gaining global recognition, especially in the technology, ecommerce, and consumer goods sectors. In this context, an increased number of foreign businesses are considering branded partnerships with a Chinese counterparty as a way of operating in China (e.g., co-branded joint venture).

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## **Sharpen your pencils: California AG's Office announces start of its important CCPA pre-rulemaking and schedule for issuing its important CCPA rules**

13 FEB 2019

Because the CCPA is littered with drafting errors and confusing definitions, this AG rulemaking is extremely important.

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## **Private equity acquisition of multiple-unit franchises: 8 likely negotiation points**

6 FEB 2019

Private equity firm ownership of multiple-unit franchises is a trend that is likely to continue at a significant pace.

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## **California Consumer Privacy Act: what's new for retailers?**

23 JAN 2019

Particular features of the CCPA affect the retail industry in unique ways.

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## **Food and Beverage News and Trends**

19 NOV 2018

### **[FOOD AND BEVERAGE NEWS AND TRENDS SERIES](#)**

In this issue, FDA plans new restrictions on e-cigarettes, FDA and USDA announce details on joint regulation of cell-cultured meats, Chicago voters say yes to plastic straw ban, more.

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## **Food and Beverage News and Trends**

26 OCT 2018

### **[FOOD AND BEVERAGE NEWS AND TRENDS SERIES](#)**

In this issue, Walmart food safety executive joins FDA, redefining "healthy," revisiting standards of identity, more.

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## **Obtaining remote epayment authorizations from customers: are you in compliance?**

26 OCT 2018

The consequences of non-compliance can be significant.

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## **Domino's not a joint employer, says SDNY: top points for franchisees and franchisors**

9 OCT 2018

The first summary judgment decision from any district court in the Second Circuit to address whether franchisors and franchisees may be joint employers in the wage-and-hour context.

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## **New tools of the trade (mark) - changes to the parallel importation defence, unjustified threats and trade mark**

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## prosecution procedure

3 OCT 2018

On 24 August 2018, the Intellectual Property Laws (Productivity Commission Response Part 1 and Other Measures) Act 2018 (Cth) (the Act) amended a number of key provisions of the Trade Mark Act 1995 (Cth). Our alert sets out a summary of the relevant changes and implications for businesses operating in Australia.

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## Food and Beverage News and Trends

1 OCT 2018

### [FOOD AND BEVERAGE NEWS AND TRENDS SERIES](#)

In this issue, the FDA ponders releasing retailer names during food recalls and takes major steps against e-cigarettes.

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## Getting the Deal Through: Franchise 2019

JUL 2018

Philip F. Zeidman is the contributing editor of *Getting the Deal Through: Franchise 2019*.

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## Food and Beverage News and Trends

7 SEP 2018

### [FOOD AND BEVERAGE NEWS AND TRENDS SERIES](#)

In this issue, FDA chief Gottlieb speaks out against kratom, plus kids' meals, milk, and meat in the news

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## Food and Beverage News and Trends

20 AUG 2018

### [FOOD AND BEVERAGE NEWS AND TRENDS SERIES](#)

In this issue, FDA to provide more info on food packaging terms, plus raw milk, lab meat, GMOs, and a cattle feedlot becomes a suspect.

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## The new revenue recognition rules and what they mean to non-public franchisors

30 JUL 2018

### [FRANCAST SERIES](#)

RR 606 requires companies licensing IP to re-evaluate the way they recognize revenue from certain fees, including initial franchise fees.

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## News from our Franchise team

28 JUN 2018

*Who's Who Legal*, *Franchise Times* and The International Franchise Association have recognized our Franchise team.

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## California's Prop 65 regulator moves to counteract court ruling, exclude Prop 65 cancer warnings for coffee

21 JUN 2018

If the regulation is adopted, coffee will not require a cancer warning label after all.

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### Food and Beverage News and Trends

18 MAY 2018

#### [FOOD AND BEVERAGE NEWS AND TRENDS SERIES](#)

This regular publication by DLA Piper lawyers focuses on helping clients navigate the ever-changing business, legal and regulatory landscape.

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## California Supreme Court adopts broad "ABC" test for determining employment relationship

11 MAY 2018

#### [FRANCAST SERIES](#)

Franchisors are taking note of this long-awaited decision.

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## Puerto Rico's Dealers Act: what every principal should know before selling products or services in Puerto Rico

2 MAY 2018

The act provides Puerto Rican distributors with powerful protections and has been the source of substantial litigation over the years.

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### Food and Beverage News and Trends

17 APR 2018

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## Court dismisses class action, rejecting claim that 7-Eleven's franchisees are employees

12 APR 2018

#### [FRANCAST SERIES](#)

Courts are increasingly cognizant of the fact that franchisors must exercise certain controls to protect their trademarks, system and goodwill.

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## Top 10 developments in China for brand owners

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6 APR 2018

DLA Piper have developed a list of the top 10 developments in China for brand owners.

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## Food and Beverage News and Trends

23 MAR 2018

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## Saudi Arabia's film industry to reopen its doors

22 DEC 2017

In a landmark decision, the Kingdom's General Commission of Audio Visual Media has announced that commercial cinemas will be allowed to operate in the Kingdom as of early 2018. The announcement will see the opening of the first cinemas in the Kingdom since they were banned in 1979 in a significant step towards the Vision 2030.

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## Top franchise cases of 2017

30 MAR 2018

DLA Piper Franchise lawyers Barry Heller, John Hughes and Karen Marchiano recently conducted a webinar reviewing 2017's top franchise decisions.

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## 4 essential rules for a trouble-free franchise agreement

20 NOV 2017

With legal contracts, the devil is in the detail. Karen Marchiano offers guidance.

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## The UK Criminal Finances Act 2017: tax evasion implications for franchisors – action steps

15 NOV 2017

### [FRANCAST SERIES](#)

While there is nothing in the Act that relates specifically to a franchise relationship, franchisors should be aware of key issues that may affect them.

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## Food and Beverage News and Trends

7 NOV 2017

### [FOOD AND BEVERAGE NEWS AND TRENDS SERIES](#)

Advocates of soda taxes vow to keep fighting, plus news on cold pressing, E. coli, dietary supplements and more.

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## **New Australian employment law changes the game for Australian franchisors**

27 OCT 2017

### **FRANCAST SERIES**

The Fair Work Amendment (Protecting Vulnerable Workers) Bill 2017 could cause many of the 1,100 franchisors offering franchises in Australia to be held liable for any failure by their franchisees to adhere to employment and labor laws.

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## **Top franchise cases of 2016**

30 MAR 2017

Joint employer and employee misclassification claims remained hot in franchising throughout 2016.

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## **Events**

### **Upcoming**

#### **Loyalty Land Mines: Legal Issues Related to Brand Loyalty Programs**

25 October 2019

Washington

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### **Previous**

#### **Franchising at its Peak, 42nd Annual Forum on Franchising**

16 - 18 October 2019

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#### **International Franchise Expo 2019**

30 - 31 MAY 2019

New York

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#### **Post-Dinner Cocktails at the IFA Legal Symposium**

6 MAY 2019

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#### **Top 10 franchise cases of 2018**

21 MAR 2019

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Webinar

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### **Private reception**

25 FEB 2019  
International Franchise Association's 2019 Convention  
Las Vegas

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### **Elements of Successful Franchising**

25 FEB 2019  
International Franchise Association's 2019 Convention  
Las Vegas

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### **Opportunities & Challenges Facing Franchising: How Your Company Should Comply With the Changing Policy and Legal Landscape**

25 FEB 2019  
International Franchise Association's 2019 Convention  
Las Vegas

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### **American Bar Association's 41st Annual Forum on Franchising**

10 - 12 OCT 2018

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### **International Franchise Expo**

31 MAY 2018 - 2 JUN 2018  
New York

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### **IFA Legal Symposium**

8 MAY 2018  
IFA Legal Symposium

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### **IFA Legal Symposium**

7 MAY 2018  
IFA Legal Symposium

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### **2018 IFA Annual Convention**

2 FEB 2018

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## NEWS

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### **Tamany Vinson Bentz named to the *Daily Journal's* list of Top Trade Secrets Lawyers**

9 October 2019

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Tamany Vinson Bentz, a Los Angeles–based partner in the IPT Litigation practice, has been named to the *Daily Journal's* 2019 list of Top Trade Secrets Lawyers.

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### **DLA Piper advises AirTrunk on new hyperscale data centre in Hong Kong**

23 September 2019

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised hyperscale data centre specialist AirTrunk on the development of its state-of-the-art USD150+ million data centre in Hong Kong.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP recognized by *Chambers Canada* 2020**

20 Sep 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to be recognized as an industry leader in the 2020 edition of *Chambers Canada*.

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### **Mark Radcliffe to moderate panel at Open Core Summit in San Francisco**

18 September 2019

Mark Radcliffe will moderate a panel on "The OSS Business Model, from Past to Present" at Open Core Summit, the global commercial open-source software (COSS) category ecosystem conference.

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### **Financial Times ranks DLA Piper among the most innovative law firms in Europe**

13 September 2019

DLA Piper has been recognised as one of the top 10 most innovative law firms in Europe at the Financial Times' 2019 European Innovative Lawyers report, an annual ranking assessing lawyers on their innovation both for clients and in their own businesses.

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### **DLA Piper advises Tirona on the acquisition of a stake in CashCape**

5 September 2019

DLA Piper has advised Tirona Ltd. on the acquisition of a 25 percent stake in the fintech app CashCape.

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### **Lisa Hillman joins DLA Piper's Intellectual Property and Technology practice in Boston**

26 August 2019

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DLA Piper announced today that Lisa Hillman has joined the firm's Intellectual Property and Technology (IPT) practice as a partner in Boston.

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### **DLA Piper strengthens Intellectual Property and Technology Practice in Finland with new partner hire**

8 August 2019

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Sami Rintala has joined the firm's Intellectual Property and Technology (IPT) practice as a partner based in Helsinki, Finland. Sami advises clients on a broad range of matters in the information and computer technology (ICT) space, such as complex commercial contracts, technology transactions and outsourcing, as well as on data protection.

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### **DLA Piper advises Bauer Media on acquisition of Camilyo Online Ltd.**

5 August 2019

DLA Piper has advised Bauer Media Group on the acquisition of Israeli Camilyo Online Ltd., a provider of online-based white-labeled services for online-service provider and their small and medium businesses-clients. The transaction is the second recent acquisition by Bauer Media Group of a provider of online-based white-labeled services and part of Bauer Media Group's new business growth strategy in its business area in SME marketing and sales services.

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### **DLA Piper advises Allianz Real Estate on the acquisition of EDGE Hafencity in Hamburg**

2 August 2019

DLA Piper has advised Allianz Real Estate on its acquisition of the office property EDGE Hafencity as part of an off-market forward deal. EDGE HafenCity Hamburg will be a 15-storey building with a total lettable area of approximately 22,500 sqm.

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### **DLA Piper advises Bauer Media on acquisition of majority stake in Mono Solutions**

1 August 2019

DLA Piper has advised Bauer Media Group on the acquisition of a majority stake in Mono Solutions, the leading white label Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) platform provider for small businesses headquartered in Denmark.

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### **Six-partner group joins DLA Piper across key markets and practice groups from coast to coast**

18 July 2019

DLA Piper announced today the addition of a six-partner group whose members will be part of the firm's Corporate, Intellectual Property and Technology, and Litigation practices. The partners will be based in San Francisco, Los Angeles, Silicon Valley and New York.

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### **DLA Piper to advise ITW Global Leaders' Forum on blockchain-based telecoms platform**

2 July 2019

DLA Piper has been appointed to advise the ITW (International Telecoms Week) Global Leaders' Forum (GLF) on the launch of a special purpose vehicle that will develop a live, blockchain-based platform.

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### **DLA Piper advises KRAHN on acquisition of eMBe Products & Service**

26 June 2019

DLA Piper has advised chemical distributor KRAHN Chemie GmbH on its acquisition of eMBe Products & Service GmbH, one of the leading additive manufacturers for the ceramics and powder metal industry in Europe.

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### **DLA Piper advises Rolls-Royce on acquisition of Siemens' eAircraft business**

21 June 2019

DLA Piper has advised Rolls-Royce plc on the acquisition of Siemens' electric and hybrid-electric aerospace propulsion activities, eAircraft. The acquisition will accelerate the delivery of Rolls-Royce's electrification strategy and boost its ambition to play a major role in the "third era" of aviation. The completion of the transaction is expected in late 2019, following a period of employee consultation.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP recognized as a leader in patent laws by IAM Patent 1000**

12 JUN 2019

The 2019 edition of *IAM Patent 1000 - The World's Leading Patent Practitioners* has recognized DLA Piper (Canada) LLP and four members of its Intellectual Property and Technology (IPT) Group as leaders in the Canadian patent market.

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### **DLA Piper's Mark Radcliffe named to the *National Law Journal's* list of Technology Trailblazers**

10 June 2019

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Mark Radcliffe, a Silicon Valley-based partner, has been named to the *National Law Journal's* list of Technology Trailblazers.

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### ***Managing IP* 2019 recognizes DLA Piper (Canada) LLP as a leader in Intellectual Property law**

21 MAY 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to see four of our lawyers recognized as IP STARS and our Intellectual Property and Technology (IPT) Group recognized as a leading firm in *Managing Intellectual Property* IP STARS' 2019 global rankings.

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### **DLA Piper receives Real Estate and Franchise *Who's Who Legal* awards, Jay Epstien named Real Estate Lawyer of the Year**

20 MAY 2019

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that *Who's Who Legal* has designated the firm as its Real Estate Firm of the Year and Franchise Firm of the Year, both for the 15th consecutive year.

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### **DLA Piper announces launch of Artificial Intelligence practice**

14 MAY 2019

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DLA Piper announced today the launch of its Artificial Intelligence practice, which will focus on assisting companies as they navigate the legal landscape of emerging and disruptive technologies, while helping them understand the legal and compliance risks arising from the creation and deployment of AI systems.

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### **Andrew Serwin joins DLA Piper's Intellectual Property and Technology practice in San Diego**

7 MAY 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Andrew Serwin has joined the Data Protection, Privacy and Security subgroup of the firm's Intellectual Property and Technology practice as a partner in San Diego.

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### **DLA Piper advises Perion Network on acquisition of Captain Growth**

3 MAY 2019

DLA Piper has advised Perion Network on its US\$3.75 million acquisition of Septa Communications LLC, also known as Captain Growth, a Ukrainian start-up which applies cutting-edge AI-driven technologies to marketing.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP ranked in 2019 *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory***

3 MAY 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that thirty-eight of the firm's lawyers have been recognized as leading practitioners in the 2019 edition of the *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory*.

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### **DLA Piper lawyers and practices ranked in latest Chambers edition**

30 APR 2019

DLA Piper today announced that 158 of the firm's lawyers and 64 of its practices were ranked in *Chambers USA's* 2019 guide.

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### **Thomas Dombrowsky named to NTIA Commerce Spectrum Management Advisory Committee**

26 APR 2019

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Thomas Dombrowsky has been named to the Commerce Spectrum Management Advisory Committee (CSMAC) of the US Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications and Information Administration.

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## **DLA Piper wins TMT Team of the Year and Litigation Team of the Year at the Middle East Legal Awards 2019**

23 APR 2019

DLA Piper has been named TMT and Litigation Team of The Year at the Middle East Legal Awards 2019, underscoring the firm's continued strength in the technology, media and telecommunications sector as well as its leading practice in complex dispute resolutions.

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## **10 rankings for DLA Piper Ukraine in the Legal 500 EMEA 2019 guide**

22 APR 2019

DLA Piper in Ukraine has been recognized and ranked in 10 key practice areas in the latest edition of The Legal 500 Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA) 2019.

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## **DLA Piper strengthens Intellectual Property and Technology offering in Russia**

18 APR 2019

DLA Piper today announces that Julianna Tabastajewa will be joining the firm as a counsel in its Intellectual Property and Technology practice based in Moscow. Her practice focuses on IP protection and litigation in the area of pharmaceutical, competition and, media law, as well as franchising.

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## **DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2019**

1 APR 2019

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 77 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of April 1, 2019 in the United States and May 1, 2019 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions were made across many of the firm's practice areas in 43 different offices throughout 20 countries.

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## **DLA Piper successfully defends Samsung Electronics against Dyson**

29 MAR 2019

DLA Piper acted on behalf of Samsung Electronics GmbH to lift a temporary injunction obtained by Dyson AG in January 2018 from the District Court of Düsseldorf. The injunction prohibited Samsung from making certain advertising statements for battery-powered vacuum cleaners. As some of the prohibited statements were also on the packaging this led to a de facto ban on the sale for the battery-powered vacuum cleaner.

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## **DLA Piper hosts leading business and diplomacy conference**

14 MAR 2019

DLA Piper's London office has hosted the Annual Conference of the International Diplomatic and Business Exchange (IBDE).

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## **Nancy Victory named to the *National Law Journal's* 2019 list of Intellectual Property Trailblazers**

4 MAR 2019

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Nancy Victory, co-chair of the firm's global Telecom practice, has been selected as a

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2019 Intellectual Property Trailblazer by the *National Law Journal*.

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### **Ron Dimock and Sangeetha Punniyamoorthy recognized by World IP Review Leaders Directory**

1 MAR 2019

Partners Ron Dimock and Sangeetha Punniyamoorthy have been included in the 2019 edition of *World Intellectual Property Review's Leaders Directory*.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP hosts 2019 Fox Moot**

27 FEB 2019

DLA Piper Canada is delighted to have once more hosted the Harold G. Fox Moot, one of Canada's most prestigious mootung events.

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### **DLA Piper announces launch of Blockchain and Digital Assets practice**

26 FEB 2019

DLA Piper announced today the launch of its Blockchain and Digital Assets practice, which will offer strategic advice on a global basis to address the needs of companies implementing blockchain technology solutions and creating and deploying digital assets.

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### **DLA Piper recognized for fourth consecutive year as a top outsourcing advisor**

26 FEB 2019

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that the firm has been selected for the 2019 Best of the World's Best Outsourcing Advisors list by the International Association of Outsourcing Professionals (IAOP).

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### **DLA Piper joins Governing Council for Hedera Hashgraph**

20 FEB 2019

DLA Piper has joined the initial group of Governing Council members for Hedera Hashgraph, a next-generation public ledger designed to have highly diversified governance and the most distributed consensus at scale. The announcement was made at Hedera Hashgraph's first annual summit in Seoul, Korea.

As part of the council, DLA Piper will help oversee changes to the software run by millions of Hedera distributed nodes over time. The governing council has been established to ensure stability and guaranteed continued decentralization to the Hedera Hashgraph distributed public ledger.

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### **Michael Furrow and Brian O'Reilly join DLA Piper's Intellectual Property and Technology practice in New York**

20 FEB 2019

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DLA Piper announced today that Michael Enzo Furrow, Ph.D., and Brian David O'Reilly have joined the firm's Intellectual Property and Technology practice as partners in New York.

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### ***Chambers Global 2019 recommends DLA Piper (Canada) LLP***

19 FEB 2019

Nine DLA Piper (Canada) LLP practitioners have received rankings in the 2019 edition of *Chambers Global*, which conducts thousands of independent peer and client interviews every year to identify top legal talents from around the world.

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### **Edward J. McAndrew joins DLA Piper's Intellectual Property and Technology practice in Wilmington and Washington, DC**

19 FEB 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Edward J. McAndrew has joined the firm's Intellectual Property and Technology practice as a partner based in Wilmington and Washington, DC.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP named a leader in Canadian trademarks in the 2019 *World Trademark Review***

6 FEB 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP has once more been recognized as a leader in Canadian trademarks in the 2019 edition of *World Trademark Review - The World's Leading Trademark Professionals*.

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### **DLA Piper bolsters Data Protection practice**

4 FEB 2019

DLA Piper in Germany has hired Intellectual Property & Technology of counsel Prof Dr Jürgen Taeger, who joined the firm's Cologne office with effect from 1 February 2019.

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### **DLA Piper promotes first Australians to international management roles and announces new Australian country MP**

6 Dec 2018

As part of an international executive revamp DLA Piper Australia co-managing partners Melinda Upton and Jim Holding will be taking on International management responsibilities in a significant endorsement of Australia's performance within the firm.

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## **Tracy Shapiro joins DLA Piper's Intellectual Property and Technology practice in San Francisco**

7 JAN 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Tracy Shapiro has joined the firm's Intellectual Property and Technology practice as a partner in Northern California.

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## **Michael Jay joins DLA Piper's Intellectual Property and Technology practice in Los Angeles**

3 JAN 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Michael Jay has joined the firm's Intellectual Property and Technology practice as a partner in Los Angeles.

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## **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes four new partners**

2 JAN 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes four new additions to the partnership, effective January 1, 2019.

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## **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP obtains order for transfer of disputed domain name to BCIT**

21 DEC 2018

On December 10, 2018, the World Intellectual Property Organization ordered that the disputed domain name <bcit.com> be transferred to the British Columbia Institute of Technology. DLA Piper Canada acted as counsel BCIT.

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## **DLA Piper lawyers ranked in *Chambers FinTech***

14 DEC 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that the firm was ranked in the USA Legal 2019 edition of *Chambers FinTech*.

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## **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP recognized in 2019 *Lexpert®/ALM 500 Directory***

13 DEC 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that the 2019 *Lexpert®/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada* has recognized three of our lawyers.

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## **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP recognized in 2019 *Legal 500 Canada guide***

7 DEC 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that 42 firm lawyers across 17 practice areas have been recommended in the latest edition of the *Legal 500 Canada*.

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## **Five DLA Piper partners recognized in *Variety's* 2018 Dealmakers Impact Report**

5 DEC 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that five of its partners have been selected for *Variety's* 2018 Dealmakers Impact Report. The list honors the year's most accomplished dealmakers across all sectors of the entertainment industry who "keep the wheels of Hollywood turning, the content flowing and the money coming in."

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### **Technology sector poised for big data wave in finance and sales departments – DLA Piper European Tech Index**

12 DEC 2018

Harnessing big data is becoming standard practice for IT and marketing teams in technology, but DLA Piper's 2018 Tech Index reveals that a revolution may now be underway in finance and sales departments as well. Responses from 350 tech sector senior executives in Europe indicate that compared to 2016, organizations are increasingly identifying new opportunities in these additional departments, indicating a move towards widespread adoption of big data in the tech sector.

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### **DLA Piper bolsters music law practice with dr Tillmann Hädrich**

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### **DLA Piper advises Ping An Global Voyager Fund on its first venture into continental Europe**

22 NOV 2018

DLA Piper has advised one of China's biggest financial conglomerates, Ping An Global Voyager Fund on its EUR 41.5 million investment in finleap, Europe's largest fintech company builder.

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### **David Markman joins DLA Piper's Media, Sport and Entertainment sector in Los Angeles**

14 NOV 2018

DLA Piper announced today that David Markman has joined the firm's Media, Sport and Entertainment sector and Intellectual Property and Technology practice as a partner in Los Angeles, and will also serve as co-chair of the firm's Entertainment Transactions practice.

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### **Sangeetha Punniyamoorthy named a 2018 Lexpert Rising Star**

9 NOV 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that Sangeetha Punniyamoorthy from the firm's Toronto office has been named

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a 2018 Lexpert Rising Star.

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### **DLA Piper achieves victory for group of home builders in patent infringement suit**

9 NOV 2018

DLA Piper recently achieved a significant victory for Pulte Homes, Inc., Lennar Corporation (formerly The Ryland Group, Inc. and CalAtlantic Homes), Shea Homes, and Taylor Morrison, Inc., defendants in a decade-long patent infringement suit.

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### **Seasoned entertainment and media attorneys Tom Ara and Robert Sherman join DLA Piper as co-chairs of Entertainment Finance practice, Ara to chair Entertainment Transactions practice**

25 OCT 2018

DLA Piper announced today that accomplished attorneys Tom Ara and Robert Sherman have joined the firm to lead the Entertainment Finance and Transactions practices based out of the firm's Century City office in Los Angeles.

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### **Larissa Bifano named to the *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly's* 2018 Top Women in Law list**

18 OCT 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Larissa Bifano, a partner in DLA Piper's Boston office and co-chair of the Patent Prosecution practice, was named to the *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly's* 2018 Top Women in Law list.

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### **DLA Piper hires Life Sciences regulatory specialist in Rome**

9 OCT 2018

DLA Piper has appointed Marco de Morpurgo as partner to its Intellectual Property and Technology (IPT) practice group in Rome.

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### **DLA Piper advises Rolls-Royce Power Systems on its investment in Qinous**

1 OCT 2018

DLA Piper has advised Rolls-Royce Power Systems on its investment in Qinous GmbH, a global provider of innovative energy storage and control systems. With this investment, Rolls-Royce Power Systems is expanding its portfolio by including turnkey autonomous electricity grids, known as microgrids.

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### **DLA Piper advises Finlab AG on launch of a 100-million dollar fund and investment into Instaffo**

27 SEP 2018

DLA Piper has advised, one of the largest German company builders and investors in the financial services technology sector, Finlab AG on their seven-digit investment, made through its EOS fund "FinLab EOS VC Europe I GmbH & Co. KG", into Instaffo GmbH, developer of VAEON.

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## **DLA Piper Canada recognized by *Chambers Canada* 2019**

27 SEP 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to be recognized as an industry leader in the 2019 edition of *Chambers Canada*. With 34 lawyers recognized across 20 practices areas, this is DLA Piper Canada's strongest showing to date.

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## **Managing Intellectual Property recognizes Ryan Evans as a Rising Star**

26 SEP 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to see Ryan Evans recognized as a Rising Star in Managing Intellectual Property IP STARS's 2018 global rankings.

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## **Eric Grossman named to the *Washingtonian* magazine 2018 Tech Titans list**

24 SEP 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Eric Grossman has been named a 2018 Tech Titan on the *Washingtonian* magazine's list of the "the most important and innovative people in Washington's digital economy."

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## **DLA Piper adds Michael Dougherty and Tony Pezzano to Intellectual Property and Technology practice in New York**

19 SEP 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Michael Dougherty and Tony Pezzano have joined the firm's Intellectual Property and Technology practice as partners in New York.

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## **DLA Piper advises Verivox on the acquisition of digital insurance manager app from Getsafe**

12 SEP 2018

DLA Piper has advised Verivox on the takeover of a brokerage business and the insurance manager app solution from Getsafe. The app enables customers to manage existing insurance contracts digitally, receive advice online and acquire new insurance policies.

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## **DLA Piper advises Sberbank on the Creation of a Digital Platform for the Restaurant Market**

6 SEP 2018

DLA Piper has advised Russia's largest bank, Sberbank, on its joint venture (JV) with Rambler Group and several other investors to create Foodplex, a united digital platform for the restaurant market.

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## **DLA Piper advises Nemetschek on acquisition of MCS Solutions**

31 AUG 2018

DLA Piper has advised the software supplier Nemetschek SE on the acquisition of the real estate and facilities technology firm MCS Solutions in Belgium, Sweden, India and the USA. The acquisition sees Nemetschek SE gain access to the rapidly growing

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market in building management.

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### **Ferillia Roberson recognized on 2018 National Bar Association 40 Under 40 list**

23 JUL 2018

Ferillia Roberson has been named to the National Bar Association's 2018 list of 40 Under 40 Nation's Best Advocates.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP Intellectual Property lawyers once more recognized by Who's Who Legal 2018 international guides**

29 JUL 2018

Three lawyers from DLA Piper (Canada) LLP have been recommended by *Who's Who Legal* 2018 as foremost practitioners in their fields worldwide.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP once more named a top patent firm by *IAM Patent 1000***

13 JUN 2018

The 2018 edition of *IAM Patent 1000 - The World's Leading Patent Practitioners* has recommended DLA Piper (Canada) LLP and four members of its Intellectual Property and Technology (IPT) Group as leaders in the Canadian patent market.

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### **Matthew Gruenberg joins DLA Piper's Franchise and Distribution practice in Los Angeles**

29 MAY 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Matthew Gruenberg has joined the firm's Franchise and Distribution practice as a partner in Los Angeles.

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### **DLA Piper wins Legal Adviser of the Year and recognized as UK Top Performer 2018 by Global Sourcing Association**

25 MAY 2018

DLA Piper's Global Co-Head of Technology Sector, Kit Burden, was last night named Legal Adviser of the Year at the Global Sourcing Association (GSA) UK Top Performers and Professional Awards, held at the Hilton Manchester Deansgate

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### **DLA Piper represents Scottish Water on strategic Digital Partnership**

24 MAY 2018

DLA Piper has represented publicly-owned utility Scottish Water on the re-procurement of its core IT and telecoms infrastructure. The deal sees the formation of a strategic Digital Technology Partnership, with contracts with an estimated total value of between £200 million and £300 million awarded to Atos and Capgemini.

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### ***Managing IP* 2018 recognizes DLA Piper (Canada) LLP as an IP leader**

23 MAY 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to see five of our lawyers recognized as IP STARS and our Intellectual Property and Technology (IPT) Group recognized as a leading firm in *Managing Intellectual Property* IP STARS's 2018 global rankings.

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### **DLA Piper Ukraine advises Ferrero on merger clearance for its US\$2.8 billion acquisition of Nestlé's US confectionary business**

17 MAY 2018

DLA Piper in Ukraine has advised Italian chocolate maker, Ferrero, on obtaining merger control clearance from the Antimonopoly Committee of Ukraine, for its US\$2.8 billion acquisition of Nestlé's U.S. confectionary business.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Gargi Chopra**

7 MAY 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Gargi Chopra to the firm's Toronto office as an associate in the Corporate group.

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### **DLA Piper advises Beijing Enterprise Water Group on acquisition of TRILITY**

5 MAY 2018

DLA Piper advised BEWG International, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Beijing Enterprises Water Group, on its 100% acquisition of water utility service provider TRILITY by way of a competitive bid process.

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### **DLA Piper kondigt interne promoties en versterking Real Estate en Intellectual Property & Technology praktijk aan**

3 MAY 2018

DLA Piper heeft een aantal interne promoties aangekondigd. Philip Jonker (Corporate) en Wouter de Clerck (Litigation & Arbitration) zijn per 1 mei tot Legal Director benoemd. Adam Abou Habaga (Finance & Projects) en Laura Smit (Corporate) zijn tot Senior Associate gepromoveerd.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP has strongest showing to date in 2018 *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory***

2 MAY 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that forty-three of the firm's lawyers have been recognized as leading practitioners in the 2018 edition of the *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory*. The firm was also featured as a leader in eleven different practice areas.

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### **DLA Piper announces new US and regional Intellectual Property and Technology practice and subgroup leaders**

1 MAY 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Boston-based partner Larissa Park has been named co-head of the firm's Patent Prosecution practice, partners Matthew Satchwell and Keith Medansky have been named co-heads of the Chicago Intellectual

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Property and Technology practice and partner Nicholas Papastavros has been named head of IPT in Boston.

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### **Mark Fowler named to the *Daily Journal's* Top Intellectual Property Lawyers list**

18 APR 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Mark Fowler, global co-chair and US chair of DLA Piper's Patent Litigation practice, has been selected as a Top Intellectual Property Lawyer by the *Daily Journal*.

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### **Michal Kasprovicz receives teaching award from Windsor Law**

18 APR 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that Michal Kasprovicz has received the SLS Outstanding Special Lecturer Award from Windsor Law school, presented to the sessional instructor who most exemplifies the attributes of an exceptional teacher for the school year in question.

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### **DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2018**

3 APR 2018

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 62 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of 1 April 2018 in the United States and 1 May 2018 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions were made across many of the firm's practice areas in 42 different offices throughout 20 countries.

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### **DLA Piper launches Intellectual Property and Technology practice in Luxembourg**

3 APR 2018

DLA Piper Luxembourg is pleased to announce the launch of its Intellectual Property and Technology (IPT) practice, with the appointment of Olivier Reisch as partner and head of the practice.

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### **DLA Piper Romania hosts a GDPR-focussed data protection conference alongside Wolters Kluwer**

28 MAR 2018

On 19 March 2018, DLA Piper in Romania hosted a "Data Protection Conference" in Bucharest, in partnership with Wolters Kluwer. The event focussed on the specific rules and practical aspects of processing personal data of customers and employees, from both a GDPR and ePrivacy perspective.

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### **Tamany Bentz joins DLA Piper's Intellectual Property and Technology practice in Los Angeles**

19 MAR 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Tamany Bentz has joined the firm's Intellectual Property and Technology practice as a partner in Los Angeles.

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### **DLA Piper wins significant victory for 7-Eleven**

16 MAR 2018

DLA Piper won a significant victory for its client, 7-Eleven, in a putative class action that was filed against 7-Eleven in the United States District Court for the Central District of California.

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### **DLA Piper advises Wipro on the USD 405 million sale of its hosted data centre services business to Ensono**

15 MAR 2018

DLA Piper has advised Wipro Limited, a leading global IT consulting and business process services company, on its entering into a definitive agreement to divest its hosted data centre services business to Ensono for US\$405 million.

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### **DLA Piper wins Netherlands Copyright Firm of the Year award**

9 MAR 2018

DLA Piper won the Netherlands Copyright Firm of the Year award at last night's Managing IP - Europe, Middle East and Africa IP Awards 2018, hosted in London at the Savoy Hotel.

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### **DLA Piper wint Netherlands Copyright Firm Of The Year Award**

9 MAR 2018

DLA Piper heeft bij de Managing IP - Europe, Middle East and Africa IP Awards 2018 de Netherlands Copyright Firm of the Year award gewonnen. De prijs werd op 8 maart uitgereikt tijdens de award ceremonie in The Savoy Hotel in Londen.

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### **Mark Fowler named a *National Law Journal* 2018 Intellectual Property Trailblazer**

6 MAR 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Mark Fowler, global co-chair and US chair of DLA Piper's Patent Litigation practice, has been selected as a 2018 Intellectual Property Trailblazer by the *National Law Journal*.

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### **DLA Piper names Thomas Zutic chair of Trademark, Copyright & Media practice in Washington, DC**

06 MAR 2018

DLA Piper has announced that partner Thomas Zutic has been named chair of the firm's Trademark, Copyright & Media practice in Washington, DC.

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### **DLA Piper advises Framery and its shareholders in transaction with Vaaka Partners**

5 March 2018

DLA Piper has advised the Finnish company Framery, a manufacturer of soundproof office booths, and its shareholders in a transaction where the private equity investor Vaaka Partners' Buyout Fund III has invested in Framery. After the investment, Vaaka Partners and its co-investors will own 60% of the company.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new litigation associate Wendy Sun**

5 MAR 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Wendy Sun to the firm's Toronto office as an associate in the Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations Group.

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### **DLA Piper wins four China Business Law Awards**

5 MAR 2018

DLA Piper is delighted to announce it has received four awards from China Business Law Journal's China Business Law Awards 2017-18, in the categories of Employment, Intellectual Property (Trademark and Copyright), Taxation and Shipping.

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### **Ron Dimock and Sangeetha Punniyamoorthy recognized by World IP Review in 2018 Leaders Directory**

1 MAR 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that partners Ron Dimock and Sangeetha Punniyamoorthy have been included in the 2018 edition of *World Intellectual Property Review's* Leaders Directory.

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### **DLA Piper adds Clayton Thompson and Jake Zolotorev to Intellectual Property and Technology practice in Silicon Valley**

27 FEB 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Clayton Thompson and Yakov "Jake" Zolotorev have joined the firm's Intellectual Property and Technology practice as partners in Northern California.

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### **DLA Piper expands Media, Sport and Entertainment capabilities with addition of Ben Mulcahy and Gina Reif Ilardi**

26 FEB 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Ben Mulcahy has joined the firm's Intellectual Property and Technology practice as a partner in Los Angeles and Gina Reif Ilardi has joined the IPT practice as a partner in New York.

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### **Chambers Global 2018 recommends DLA Piper Canada**

20 FEB 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP professionals are once again featured in the latest edition of the *Chambers Global* guide.

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### **DLA piper advises China Communication Technology on acquisition in the Philippines**

9 FEB 2018

DLA Piper has advised China Communication Technology Co. Ltd. on the acquisition of G. Telecoms Inc., a major telecommunications carrier in the Philippines. With this transaction, China Communications aims to expand its footprint into other

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countries in the South East Asia region.

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### **DLA Piper advises Harrison Street on Crosslane joint venture**

5 FEB 2018

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised leading real estate investment firm Harrison Real Estate Capital LLC, on its joint venture with Crosslane Property Group UK, a real estate company specialising in purpose built student accommodation (PBSA) across the UK and Continental Europe.

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### **R. David Whitaker joins DLA Piper's Intellectual Property and Technology practice in Chicago**

5 FEB 2018

DLA Piper announced today that R. David Whitaker has joined the firm's Intellectual Property and Technology practice as a partner in the Chicago office. His arrival follows that of his colleague, Margo H.K. Tank, who recently joined the firm as a partner in the Washington, DC, office.

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### **Bedrijven voldoen nog altijd niet aan strenger wordende privacywetgeving**

2 FEB 2018

Het wereldwijde advocatenkantoor DLA Piper heeft onlangs zijn tweede Data Privacy Snapshot rapport gepubliceerd. Opnieuw blijkt dat wereldwijde privacycomplianceprogramma's van bedrijven niet volledig voldoen aan de steeds strenger wordende privacywetgeving. Opmerkelijk genoeg blijkt ook dat veel bedrijven nog niet klaar zijn voor de Algemene verordening gegevensbescherming (AVG), die op 25 mei 2018 van kracht wordt.

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### **Businesses still not fully aware of Data Protection issues**

31 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has released its second Data Privacy Snapshot report, finding that once again, company global privacy programs have gaps in meeting increasingly demanding global privacy principles. Significantly, it appears that many companies are falling short of data protection obligations under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), which will start to apply from 25 May 2018.

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### **DLA Piper invited to participate in the GDPR conference organised by the National Supervisory Authority for Personal Data Processing in light of the forthcoming European Data Protection Day**

31 JAN 2018

DLA Piper is proud to announce that Head of Intellectual Property & Technology in Bucharest Ana-Maria Andronic, and Intellectual Property & Technology senior associate, Alexandru Campean, were invited to speak at the "General Regulation on Data Protection" conference held on 26th January 2018. The event was held at the Parliament Palace and was organised by the National Supervisory Authority for Personal Data Processing.

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### **World Trademark Review recognizes DLA Piper (Canada) LLP as a leader in Canadian trademarks**

31 JAN 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to be recognized as a leader in Canadian trademarks in the 2018 edition of World Trademark

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### **DLA Piper advises Harrison Real Estate Capital on £40 million student accommodation joint venture with Linkcity**

29 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has advised real estate private equity firm Harrison Street Real Estate Capital LLC (Harrison Street) on the establishment of a joint venture with LinkCity, a wholly owned subsidiary of Bouygues UK, for the development of a 435 bed student accommodation scheme in Birmingham.

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### **DLA Piper advises Dechra Pharmaceuticals on acquisition of AST Farma and Le Vet**

29 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has advised Dechra Pharmaceuticals PLC on the acquisition of AST Farma and Le Vet in the Netherlands for a total consideration of €340 million and an associated £100m placing to raise funds for the transaction.

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### **Margo Tank joins DLA Piper's Intellectual Property and Technology practice in Washington, DC**

29 JAN 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Margo Tank has joined the firm's Intellectual Property and Technology practice as a partner in the Washington, DC, office.

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### **John Beahn joins DLA Piper's rapidly growing Telecom practice in Washington, DC**

17 JAN 2018

DLA Piper announced today that John Beahn has joined the firm's Telecom practice as a partner in the Washington, DC, office.

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### **DLA Piper Wins Legal 500 UK 'Firm Specialism of the Year' for FinTech**

12 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has received the award for 'Firm (Specialism) of the Year' for FinTech, in this year's 2018 Legal 500 UK TMT (Technology, Media and Telecoms) category. This accolade is based on empirical research undertaken by the Legal 500 research teams, which includes detailed submissions sent from all major law firms, and thousands of client testimonials.

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### **DLA Piper names new global and US co-chairs for Intellectual Property and Technology practice**

8 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has named Frank Ryan co-chair of the firm's global Intellectual Property and Technology practice and Ann Ford co-chair of its US IPT practice, both effective January 1.

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## **DLA Piper lawyers and practices were highlighted in the 2017 directory of Who's Who Legal**

22 DEC 2017

DLA Piper is pleased to announce *Who's Who Legal* designated us as both the Real Estate Firm of the Year and the Franchise Firm of the Year for 2017.

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13 DEC 2017

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that the 2018 *Lexpert®/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada* has recognized Chris Barnett, Howard Krupat, Ron Dimock, and Bruce Stratton as top practitioners in their field.

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## **DLA Piper advises CBRE on strategic partnership with Stowga**

13 DEC 2017

DLA Piper has advised global real estate advisor CBRE on its investment and strategic partnership with Stowga, the UK's first online marketplace for warehouse occupiers and logistics companies.

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## **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP expands rankings in *Legal 500 Canada***

1 DEC 2017

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to have achieved its best showing to date in *Legal 500 Canada*, with 11 lawyers gaining new rankings in the newly released 2018 edition.

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## **DLA Piper prepares report on the protection of IP rights in insolvency proceedings for INSOL International**

20 NOV 2017

DLA Piper is pleased to announce the release of a special report titled "The Protection of Intellectual Property Rights in Insolvency Proceedings." The firm prepared the report on behalf of INSOL International, a global federation of national associations for accountants and lawyers who focus on turnaround and insolvency.

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## **Sangeetha Punniyamorthy honoured at 2017 SABA Awards**

17 NOV 2017

One of the most prestigious legal awards in Toronto, the annual SABA Awards celebrate the leadership and achievements of South Asian lawyers and their contribution to the legal profession.

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## **DLA Piper sponsors 2017 UK Technology Fast 50**

17 NOV 2017

DLA Piper is delighted to sponsor the leading ranking of the UK's fastest growing technology companies, announced today.

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## Six months until GDPR: companies still reporting low levels of preparedness

15 Nov 2017

For the over 200 organisations responding to DLA Piper's Data Privacy Scorebox online survey tool since the start of the year, the average alignment score with all key international data privacy principles was 31.5%, as against an 38.3% average score for respondents in the 2016 calendar year.

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## DLA Piper launches Global Contract Laws v2.0

7 Nov 2017

DLA Piper has launched a newly updated version of its *Global Contract Laws* online resource. *Global Contract Laws v2.0* covers laws from more than 50 countries, including the UK, the US, Australia, China, and Germany, as well as new countries in Asia and South America.

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## DLA Piper advises Aristocrat Leisure on US\$500 million acquisition

7 NOV 2017

DLA Piper has advised Aristocrat Leisure, one of the largest global manufacturers of gaming solutions, on its successful acquisition of developer Plarium Global.

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## DLA Piper again honored as Law Firm of the Year in three categories at Juve Awards

27 OCT 2017

At yesterday's presentation of the JUVE Awards in the Alte Oper in Frankfurt am Main, DLA Piper celebrated winning the Law Firm of the Year award in the categories *Media and Technology*, *Trademarks and Unfair Competition*, and *Media*. In addition, DLA Piper was also shortlisted for Law Firm of the Year in the categories *Private Equity & Venture Capital* and *Intellectual Property*. Last year, the firm won three awards in the categories *Distribution/ Trade and Logistics*, *Insurance* and *Company Succession and Trusts*.

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## Three partners named Life Science Stars in Canada by LMG Life Sciences

30 OCT 2017

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP congratulates partners Ron Dimock, Sangeetha Punniyamoorthy and Noam Goodman on being named 2017 Life Science Stars in Canada by the *Legal Media Guides* (LMG) *LMG Life Sciences* directory.

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## DLA Piper wins Outsourcing Law Firm Of The Year Award

24 OCT 2017

DLA Piper has won the Outsourcing Law Firm Of The Year Award at the fourteenth Global Sourcing Association Awards, held in London.

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## **DLA Piper acts as official legal partner for the Russian production of The Audience**

23 OCT 2017

DLA Piper is proud to have acted as the official legal partner of a project that brings to the stage a Russian production of Peter Morgan's celebrated play *The Audience*.

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