



Industrials

The industrials sector is continually evolving and crossing borders. Global economic uncertainty, political instability, and its impact on trade, climate change, digitalization, automation and disruptive business models are just a few of the many challenges businesses in the industrials sector are currently facing.

Prudent businesses in this rapidly changing sector turn to lawyers who have cross-disciplinary knowledge and on-the-ground presence in local markets, who are able to advise clients on their day-to-day and strategic concerns wherever they choose to do business. With offices in over 40 countries throughout the world, we offer a dedicated team that understands the sector, the challenges it faces and the pragmatic, cost-effective solutions that work for our clients. We are proud to support the diverse needs of our global client base, which includes many of the most successful industrial companies worldwide across our core areas:

- Aerospace and defense
- Automotive
- Chemicals
- Manufacturing

We help our clients on important issues affecting the industry, such as:

- Acquisition, asset and export finance
- Brand protection, patents, licensing and IP
- Commercial and procurement contracts and outsourcing
- Cybersecurity
- Data protection
- Digitalization and IoT
- HR, employment, employee benefits and pensions
- Litigation and arbitration
- M&A and international corporate restructurings (ICR)
- Product compliance and safety
- Real estate and real estate finance
- Regulatory advice, including on environmental, health and safety (EHS) matters
- Restructuring
- Risk, governance and compliance, including anti-bribery and corruption
- Supply chain management, including distribution/agency agreements and contracts
- Tax, including import and export, transfer pricing and sanctions

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Publications

ASIC consults on whistleblower policy requirements

7 August 2019

ASIC has published its long awaited consultation paper on the requirements of whistleblower policies for public companies, large proprietary companies and proprietary companies that are trustees of registrable superannuation entities operating in Australia.

The states look at autonomous vehicles

24 July 2019

Many US states are experimenting with a wide range of approaches to autonomous vehicles, some cautious and others more ambitious.

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).

PFAS: in California, regulators put cleanup levels on hold, but announce major data hunt

7 MAR 2019

This data hunt will affect thousands of facilities, drinking water systems and private drinking water well owners.

Law à la Mode: Word of the industry's mouth; Enforcement of IP rights through Ukrainian customs register; E-commerce in Poland; The development of artificial intelligence in the fashion industry; and more

26 NOV 2018

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The US editorial team is delighted to bring you the 27th edition of *Law à la Mode*, the quarterly legal magazine produced by DLA Piper's Retail Sector Group for clients and contacts of the firm worldwide.

Disputes in an M&A context

20 NOV 2018

This article explores some of the provisions in transaction documentation which, if inadequately or inappropriately addressed, can lead to disputes in an M&A context.

GCC Roundup labour law developments and public holidays

15 NOV 2018

There are a number of considerations relating to the labour law landscape across the GCC: regulations around public holidays, the Anti-Harassment Law in Saudi Arabia, amendments to the social insurance laws in Bahrain and Kuwait and in the UAE, changes to expatriate visas and a new resolution to protect people with disabilities.

Automatic acceptance of the sectoral tariff agreement if objections are not submitted by 3 November 2018

29 OCT 2018

The sectoral tariff agreement for 2019 - 2021 ("Agreement") which applies to employers in the chemical, oil and gas, biotechnological and chemical-pharma industries has now been published and enters into force on 1 January 2019.

UK Budget 2018

29 OCT 2018

On 29 October 2018, the UK Chancellor Philip Hammond delivered the final UK Budget before the Brexit deadline.

You may be surprised to learn you are selling unregistered pesticides – key points for retailers to help avoid liability

26 JUL 2018

Retailers and manufacturers face significant liability for selling products they do not realize are pesticides and that would not, in fact, be pesticides if not for careless labeling.

UAE announces major changes to company ownership and visa rules

21 MAY 2018

Yesterday (20 May 2018) during a Cabinet meeting chaired by His Highness Sheikh Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, UAE Government resolved to permit international foreign investors to own 100 percent of their businesses in the UAE and initiated far-reaching modifications to the current UAE visa rule.

Law à la Mode: Social Media Influencers & Effective Disclosures, IP and E-Commerce: Your basic checklist, Longchamp's Handbag Copyright Saga, IP Protection of Fashion Shows in Italy and more

21 MAY 2018

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The UK editorial team is delighted to bring you this special edition of Law à la Mode, produced by DLA Piper's Retail Sector group for distribution to clients and contacts of the firm worldwide and marking the 140th Annual Meeting of INTA in Seattle.

Regulating "trading practices" in B2B supply chains - EU / UK regulations and proposals on contracting and payments between businesses

1 MAY 2018

This article discusses recent scrutiny and existing regulations of business-to-business relationships at the EU and UK levels (including the draft EU Directive on unfair trading practice in B2B food supply chain and draft EU Regulation on online intermediation services, both published in April 2018) and sets out the key considerations for businesses operating within EU supply chains.

EU adopts directive on mandatory disclosure of aggressive tax planning schemes: key takeaways

22 MAR 2018

Enterprises and investors with any EU nexus should be aware that the disclosure requirement will apply to all "intermediaries" and possibly their clients involved in cross-border tax arrangements.

Industry 4.0. The Fourth Industrial Revolution. The Industrial IoT. IIoT. What are they anyway?

13 MAR 2018

They are different names for what is essentially the same thing – the adoption of new advanced technology and systems by industrial and manufacturing businesses – with a particular emphasis on connectivity.

Section 232 trade action - steel, aluminum tariffs: trade war? Mechanisms for possible relief for certain companies and countries

9 MAR 2018

Two mechanisms could provide some relief for affected companies.

Ukraine at a Glance: Aerospace and technology industry

9 FEB 2018

The aerospace and technology sector's capabilities make it one of Ukraine's largest potential export sectors and economic drivers. Get acquainted with the major financials, challenges and prospects of the sector in Ukraine.

The Internet of Things and connected cars: new opportunities and risks

29 JAN 2018

The automotive industry is undergoing tremendous change, both in the technology it employs and in the way it does business. People and companies are changing the way they think about cars and car travel. A big part of this change arises from the increasing connectedness of cars.

Law à la Mode: Virtual Reality and Augmented Reality; Insta-worthy or Insta-infringement; E-commerce in Poland; Harnessing hidden advertising; and more

20 DEC 2017

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The Asia Pacific editorial team is delighted to bring you the 24th edition of Law à la Mode, the quarterly legal magazine published

by DLA Piper's Retail Sector group for clients and contacts of the firm worldwide.

Trading under non-compliant consumer contracts: Implications for business

1 NOV 2016

This article introduces some data from the Unfair Contract Terms Research report on businesses' understanding of consumer contracts which was published recently, and discusses the ways in which a breach of the rules under the UK Consumer Rights Act 2015 (including the unfair contract terms rules) could affect businesses operating under consumer contracts which do not comply with the relevant legal requirements.

Slavery in the supply chain: new corporate reporting obligations for companies

9 DEC 2015

HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS SERIES

The UK's Modern Slavery Act 2015 is in force, imposing on companies new reporting requirements and new enforcement powers, including the creation of an Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner.

EVENTS

Previous

AI and Digital Transformation - changing the face of retail

13 NOV 2018
Manchester

Are US-Style Consumer Class Actions Coming to Europe?

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Webinar

Conservative Party Conference Fringe Event – Brexit: Implications for Manufacturers

1 OCT 2018
BREXIT IMPLICATIONS FOR MANUFACTURERS
Birmingham

Labour Party Conference Fringe Event – Brexit: Implications for Manufacturers

24 SEP 2018
BREXIT IMPLICATIONS FOR MANUFACTURERS
Liverpool

Seminar - Results of the arbitration reform and its prospects of development

28 NOV 2017
Moscow

NEWS

DLA Piper advises Big Bolt Corporation in its sale to Tenex Capital Management

9 August 2019

DLA Piper represented Big Bolt Corporation, a manufacturer and supplier of industrial fasteners, in its sale to private equity firm Tenex Capital Management, L.P. The transaction closed on August 9, 2019.

DLA Piper strengthens corporate and finance offering in Russia

9 July 2019

DLA Piper announces that Ivan Sezin has joined the firm as a legal director in its Corporate and Finance & Projects practice groups based in Moscow.

DLA Piper announces launch of Artificial Intelligence practice

14 MAY 2019

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.

DLA Piper advises OMRON in US\$893 million sale of automotive electronics division to Nidec

16 APR 2019

DLA Piper is representing OMRON Corp. in the ¥100 billion (US\$893 million) sale of its automotive electronics division, OMRON Automotive Electronics Co. Ltd., to Nidec Corp., headquartered in Kyoto, Japan.

DLA Piper represents equity owners of The NORDAM Group, Inc. in chapter 11 plan confirmation

11 APR 2019

DLA Piper represented a large majority of the equity owners of The NORDAM Group, Inc., an aerospace manufacturing and repair company, in its chapter 11 plan.

DLA Piper advises on the sale of Synseal Group in job-saving deal

12 MAR 2019

DLA Piper has advised KPMG administrators, Chris Pole and Mark Orton, in connection with the sale of Synseal Group, to Aperture Trading, saving more than 1,000 jobs.

DLA Piper Advises Russia's Sberbank Investments on Acquisition of 10% Stake in Uralkali

21 DEC 2018

DLA Piper has advised Sberbank Investments, an investment unit of Russia's largest bank Sberbank, on the acquisition of a 10.18% stake in fertilizer group Uralkali, the world's largest potash producer by output. The seller was Cyprus-based company Rinsoco Trading.

DLA Piper Strengthens Corporate Offering in Moscow with Partner Hire

16 OCT 2018

DLA Piper today announces the appointment of Evgeny Glukhov as a partner in its Corporate practice, based in Moscow.

DLA Piper advises Amazon Filters on significant investment from the business growth fund

9 OCT 2018

DLA Piper has advised the management team of Amazon Filters, a filtration equipment manufacturer, on the sale of a minority interest to the Business Growth Fund (BGF). The business will use BGF's funding to continue its organic growth and further expand its distribution network.

DLA Piper advises on the takeover of Holzverpackung Hüfingen by Pilous

5 OCT 2018

DLA Piper, together with PLUTA Management GmbH, has advised Holzverpackung Hüfingen on its takeover by the renowned specialist for industrial packaging, PILOUS, including its subsidiary in Spain, with effect from 31 October 2018.

DLA Piper advises James Hardie Industries in its €400 million debut euro bond offering

4 OCT 2018

DLA Piper represented James Hardie Industries, a global manufacturer and marketer of fiber cement products, in its €400 million debut euro bond offering.

DLA Piper advises Transmashholding on joint venture with Hitachi to produce traction inverters in Russia

20 AUG 2018

DLA Piper has advised Russia's largest manufacturer of locomotives and rail equipment, Transmashholding, on its joint venture with Japanese industrial conglomerate, Hitachi, to produce traction inverters for passenger trains in Russia.

DLA Piper Africa advises Adenia Partners on acquisition of controlling stake in Kanu Equipment Limited

23 MAR 2018

Kanu has been driving an expansion strategy across Sub-Saharan Africa in recent years and the business now operates in 13 countries, servicing the agriculture, construction and mining industries.

DLA Piper advises Active Ownership Capital on the acquisition of brake system manufacturer PINTSCH BUBENZER

25 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has advised the Luxembourg-based investment company Active Ownership Capital on the acquisition of PINTSCH BUBENZER, a leading provider of industrial brakes and subsidiary of Schaltbau Holding AG.

DLA Piper adds to Chicago Litigation practice with Amy Rubenstein and John Scholnick

22 JAN 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Amy Rubenstein and John Scholnick have joined the firm's Litigation practice as partners in the Chicago office.

DLA Piper client awarded Large Company Turnaround of the Year at IFT Awards

27 NOV 2017

DLA Piper client Willerby Group, the UK's leading manufacturer of static holiday homes based in Hull, has been named as the winner in the Large Company Turnaround of the Year category at the Institute for Turnaround Awards in London.

DLA Piper advises James Hardie in US\$549 acquisition of Fermacell

20 NOV 2017

DLA Piper represents James Hardie Industries, a global fiber cement siding manufacturer, in its acquisition of the German holding company of Fermacell GmbH, a fiber gypsum board manufacturer.
