



## 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

### CONTACTO

#### Richard Fens

Socio

Ámsterdam

T: +31 (0)20 5419 896

[richard.fens@dlapiper.com](mailto:richard.fens@dlapiper.com)

#### John Lyons

Socio

Chicago

T: +1 312 368 2166

[john.lyons@dlapiper.com](mailto:john.lyons@dlapiper.com)

### SERVICIOS RELACIONADOS

- Corporate
- Relaciones laborales
- Finance
- Intellectual Property and Technology
- International Trade, Regulatory and Government Affairs
- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations
- Product Liability, Mass Torts and Product Stewardship
- Projects, Energy and Infrastructure
- Real Estate

### Publicaciones

#### **US Department of Transportation proposes significant regulatory changes to facilitate deployment of self-driving vehicles**

25 March 2020

The proposed changes to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards aim to eliminate key regulatory barriers to deployment of autonomous vehicles while maintaining the same level of vehicle occupant protection provided by existing standards.

---

#### **Coronavirus: Several state and local governments issue “shelter in place” orders (United States)**

23 March 2020

Between March 17 and 22, state and local governments have promulgated at least a dozen “Stay-at-Home” / “Shelter-at-Home”-type Orders. This alert provides details on a number of state and local government orders.

---

#### **90-day deferral for US federal income tax payments**

20 March 2020

Those who decide to defer their federal tax payments will be able to do so on a penalty-free and interest-free basis, with penalties and interest beginning to accrue for payments submitted after July 15, 2020.

---

#### **Coronavirus: New York State enacts emergency paid sick leave law, effective immediately (United States)**

20 March 2020

To be eligible for the benefits available under the Act, an employee must be subject to a mandatory or precautionary order of quarantine or isolation.

---

#### **Coronavirus: Federal government stimulus response – Massive stimulus package may move through US Congress at “warp speed”**

19 March 2020

The economic stimulus package taking shape may be the biggest one ever.

---

#### **Coronavirus: executive summary - key highlights from Washington (March 19, 2020) (United States)**

19 March 2020

Key highlights for March 19, 2020.

---

#### **Coronavirus: emergency response legislation passed by the Senate; additional stimulus and tax relief expected soon (United States)**

18 March 2020

---

The US Senate is expected to pass, on March 18, comprehensive legislation to help families and businesses impacted by the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic.

---

### **Coronavirus: Congress passes revised paid leave law (United States)**

18 March 2020

Congress passed a revised version of The Families First Coronavirus Response Act requiring employers with fewer than 500 employees to provide COVID-19-related paid sick and family leave to eligible employees.

---

### **US employee benefits and the coronavirus**

17 March 2020

Some of the many benefit plan issues that employers are facing.

---

### **Coronavirus: federal and state tax relief (United States)**

16 March 2020

Congress and state legislatures and administrative agencies are working hard to provide necessary tax relief for those affected by the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.

---

### **Coronavirus: Congress expected to pass expanded paid leave (United States)**

16 March 2020

The paid leave requirements in the current version of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act.

---

### **Coronavirus (COVID-19): ten practical steps for global employers, right now (Global)**

13 March 2020

These steps are not based on laws of any one jurisdiction but rather are designed to provide a global employer with themes to consider, understanding that what may be suitable for each employer may vary greatly depending on the employer's unique circumstances.

---

### **The age of growing viral outbreaks: key contract considerations in a world facing the latest outbreak – COVID-19 (Global)**

13 March 2020

The effect of viral outbreaks on overall business continuity and performance as a priority in assessing operational, reputational and contract risks and their potential consequences and liabilities.

---

### **Negotiations begin on legislation to mitigate economic impact of coronavirus outbreak: Congressional tax writers seek your input**

10 March 2020

The Congressional tax writers are seeking private sector input in two different but equally important forms.

---

---

## **Defending your supply chain against coronavirus COVID-19 (United States)**

9 March 2020

An action plan that companies can implement to make strategic decisions related to potential supply chain disruptions.

---

## **Court of International Trade blocks expanded Section 232 tariffs on certain US imports, prompting others to take legal action**

4 March 2020

The first injunction in an appeal filed by a US importer challenges the expansion of the tariffs on constitutional and procedural grounds.

---

## **Coronavirus COVID-19 and corporate governance (Australia)**

18 February 2020

The coronavirus COVID-19 outbreak and ensuing government restrictions raise corporate governance concerns and create areas of risk across the ESG spectrum that should be considered by companies and their directors and officers.

---

## **When is an outbreak an act of God? Mitigating commercial and operational risks during the COVID-19 crisis (Global)**

13 February 2020

A close look at a standard but often overlooked "act of God" or force majeure clause in contracts may provide some insight into options for mitigating commercial and operational risks during the ongoing health crisis.

---

## **Coronavirus COVID-19: The legal impact on force majeure events (Australia)**

12 February 2020

Key considerations for parties that may wish to declare a force majeure event or dispute the declaration of a force majeure event by a counterparty in relation to coronavirus COVID-19.

---

## **COP25's key outcome: adoption of the San Jose Principles on carbon market mechanisms – takeaways for business**

12 February 2020

Ambitious countries are not waiting for full consensus on carbon markets.

---

## **An update on the impact of the coronavirus on business in Singapore**

12 February 2020

Due to the evolving 2019 novel coronavirus (the "2019-nCoV") situation, the Ministry of Health (the "MOH") and the Ministry of

---

Manpower (the “**MOM**”) have issued several advisories which employers will need to be aware of. Employers and employees should ensure that they work together to comply with the various obligations and advisories given the various penalties that may be imposed. Additionally, it is recommended that both employers and employees regularly check the MOM and the MOH websites for the latest updates and advisories and to adopt the recommended measures proposed therein.

---

### **Hong Kong Government introduces mandatory quarantine measures**

11 February 2020

On 9 February 2020, the number of deaths due to the rapidly spreading coronavirus in Mainland China officially surpassed the figure seen during the 2002/2003 SARS epidemic.

Numerous governments have been implementing restrictions barring entry to those with recent travel history through Mainland China, including Singapore, Japan, Australia and the United States. Following pressure from public health workers, the Hong Kong Government has now followed suit and has begun a mandatory two-week quarantine for anyone arriving from Mainland China.

---

### **How to resume business amid the coronavirus outbreak (China)**

11 February 2020

As reported in our previous article, China has extended its Chinese New Year holiday and work suspension period as a result of the novel coronavirus outbreak which has now infected more than 40,000 people around the world.

This is a summary of the Back to Work Day and compensation for working before Back to Work Day in key cities and provinces across China.

---

### **Long-awaited changes to export controls for firearms and ammunition have arrived**

6 February 2020

This new regulatory scheme will create a transition burden on industry, but it will result in more flexible regulatory obligations overall.

---

### **APAC employment issues arising out of the Coronavirus (AsiaPac)**

31 January 2020

On 29 January 2020, the number of confirmed cases of the rapidly spreading coronavirus in Mainland China officially surpassed the figure seen during the 2002/2003 SARS epidemic.

Multinationals with local operations around the APAC region have been significantly affected. As staff return to the office following the Chinese New Year holiday period, businesses are now considering what they can do to minimise any risk to health and safety and support staff through this challenging period where anxiety and uncertainty is rife, whilst at the same time complying with their employment obligations and maintaining business continuity. Putting in place detailed business and contingency plans and ensuring careful communications with staff to address key topics and concerns is key, as is keeping such plans and communications under frequent review given the fluidity of the current situation.

This alert considers some of the key issues that HR and business leaders should be considering across the APAC region.

---

---

## **The President announces expansion of Section 232 tariffs expected to affect millions of dollars in US imports**

30 January 2020

The Proclamation authorizes the Department of Commerce to establish a process for requesting exclusions for affected parties located inside the US.

---

## **Harsher penalties on discriminatory employment practices in Singapore**

29 January 2020

The Fair Consideration Framework was updated in January 2020 to impose harsher penalties on employers found to be engaging in discriminatory practices such as by favouring the hiring of foreigners over Singaporeans.

---

## **China extends holidays for workers amid coronavirus outbreak (China)**

28 January 2020

Learn about how the widely publicised corona virus outbreak affects business in Greater China.

---

## **Looking ahead: commodities marketing, trading and shipping**

23 January 2020

Helping to navigate this uniquely challenging environment.

---

## **How the Environmental, Social and Governance standards are affecting the commodities industry – key factors and action steps**

23 January 2020

ESG affects all industries, but for the commodities industry, it is at once one of the biggest investment opportunities and one of its biggest challenges.

---

## **The almost free US-Japan Trade Agreement is now in effect**

9 January 2020

This trade agreement reduces or eliminates US customs duties on numerous goods.

---

## **FCC proposes new rules and spectrum reallocation that could change the future of auto safety communications – agency seeks comments and input**

6 December 2019

This significant rulemaking proposal seeks to make watershed changes in the use of spectrum, Intelligent Transportation Systems, and the future of auto and road safety and communication applications in the US.

---

## **Beginning October 11, 2019: opportunity to obtain temporary reduction or suspension of US import duties**

7 October 2019

Miscellaneous Tariff Bill petitions can be submitted to the ITC until 5:15 pm EST on December 10, 2019.

---

## **US Trade Representative imposes additional tariffs on EU goods following WTO decision in Airbus subsidies dispute**

7 October 2019

This decision marks the resolution of a 15-year WTO dispute over US claims of illegal subsidies to support Airbus production.

---

## **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

### **LAW À LA MODE**

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.

---

## **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.

---

**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

## [LAW À LA MODE](#)

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.

---

**Opportunity for temporary duty suspension or reduction - submit petitions for Miscellaneous Tariff Bills to ITC by 12/12/16**

1 NOV 2016

Interim rules governing the petition process and a web portal – the MTB Petition System – to facilitate submission of duty suspension requests.

---

**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.

---

## [EVENTOS](#)

### [Reciente](#)

**Are US-Style Consumer Class Actions Coming to Europe?**

5 NOV 2018

Webinar

---

## [NOTICIAS](#)

---

**DLA Piper lawyers named Acritas Stars**

10 March 2020

Acritas has named over 200 DLA Piper lawyers as 2020 Acritas Stars. Now in its fourth year, Acritas Stars highlights the

---



stand-out lawyers in private practice as nominated by clients around the world. More than 3,000 senior in-house counsel feed into the nomination process to give a comprehensive view of highly recommended lawyers across the globe.

---

### **DLA Piper announces new US and global sector leadership**

22 January 2020

DLA Piper is pleased to announce several recent changes to the firm's US and global sector leadership teams. They include:

---

### **DLA Piper advises CIRCOR in US\$172 million sale of Instrumentation and Sampling business to Crane Co.**

6 January 2020

DLA Piper represented CIRCOR International, Inc. in the US\$172 million sale of its Instrumentation and Sampling business to Crane Co.

---

### **DLA Piper advises Rolls-Royce in agreement to sell North American civil nuclear services businesses to Westinghouse Electric Company**

4 October 2019

DLA Piper represented Rolls-Royce in its agreement to sell the company's North American civil nuclear services businesses to Westinghouse Electric Company.

---

### **DLA Piper advises CIRCOR in US\$84.5 million sale of Spence and Nicholson product lines**

3 September 2019

DLA Piper represented CIRCOR International, Inc., a provider of flow control solutions and other highly engineered products for the industrial, energy, aerospace and defense markets, in the sale of certain assets and liabilities relating to its Spence and Nicholson product lines to Emerson for approximately US\$84.5 million.

---

### **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 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 CIRCOR in US\$85 million sale of Reliability Services business to RelaDyne**

28 JAN 2019

DLA Piper represented CIRCOR International, Inc., a provider of flow control solutions and other highly engineered products for the industrial, energy, aerospace and defense markets, in the sale of its Reliability Services business to an affiliate of RelaDyne LLC for approximately US\$85 million.

---

## **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.

---