



# Product Liability, Mass Torts and Product Stewardship

Our Product Liability, Mass Torts and Product Stewardship team assists our manufacturing clients on risk, compliance and business management at every stage of the product life cycle. We are positioned to defend claims of any scope, around the globe. We help our clients keep ahead of the game on compliance with product safety legislation, lobbying and engaging if necessary with government legislatures and the public regulatory authorities. We advise on environmentally friendly supply chain management.

We handle crises that involve product recalls, governmental investigations, insurance coverage and environmental concerns. We are mindful of the need to maintain reputations. In the event of claims that may need to go to arbitration or trial, our team includes some of the most highly regarded dispute resolution lawyers in the world, according to respected legal publications, including Chambers and Partners, and Legal 500.

We collaborate with our colleagues around the world to ensure that each client receives sound advice based on a multi-disciplinary and multi-jurisdictional approach.

## CAPABILITES

### Product Liability and Mass Torts

- Litigation and defence

DLA Piper is proud to feature a premier team of product liability litigation attorneys whose depth and breadth of knowledge and experience is unmatched. In jurisdictions around the world, our lawyers advise on legal responsibility for product defects, injuries sustained, and damages suffered, and assist in the collation of relevant evidence and the engagement of relevant experts.

Our attorneys are highly experienced at managing the litigation process from beginning to end, including with regards to disclosure of documents, collation of witness evidence, obtaining expert evidence, interim applications, and preparations for trial, as well as through trial and the appeals process.

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## SERVICIOS RELACIONADOS

- International Trade,

- Class actions by multiple claimants and mass torts

DLA Piper regularly represents clients in class action and mass tort lawsuits and serves as trial counsel to many of the world's leading corporations. In actions filed on behalf of large groups of claimants, our clients depend on our attorneys to anticipate emerging threats, develop streamlined, effective strategies that respond to the nuances of a particular suit, defeat class certification and/or plaintiff's claims at an early stage, and safeguard their long-term business interests. We have repeatedly brought our diversity of knowledge, talent, and experience to bear successfully defending against consumer claims of all sizes and levels of complexity including emerging forms of collective redress.

- Insurance coverage

DLA Piper advises on the availability and scope of cover (product recall, business interruption, legal costs, etc.), the form of all necessary notifications and any relevant exclusions, and will liaise with insurers/ brokers as appropriate.

## Product Stewardship and Regulatory Compliance

- Product safety

Product safety forms an important part of our practice. Our lawyers have extensive experience in advising on supranational, and national/state legislation; the areas which are most likely to be of concern to manufacturers, distributors and suppliers, including materials restriction regulation, such as the EU REACH and WEEE and RoHS legislation, packaging, waste and product life-cycle management legislation, and national requirements on labelling and containers. We are intimately familiar with the US regulatory landscape as well, and advise often on issues relating to the CPSC, FDA, FTC, and other agencies.

Our lawyers advise clients on regulations and compliance when bringing a product to market, deal with issues when a product is in the marketplace including providing risk assessments and planning corrective actions.

- Product recall and crisis management

In the event of a potential recall situation, we can deploy a Crisis Management team who can act quickly and assess whether or not a recall is necessary and continually review that decision. The team can make any necessary notifications to regulators within strict timescales.

The decision to undertake a product recall, whether on ground of regulatory compliance issues or to pre-empt potential liability claims, is always a difficult one which will be determined by a number of factors. Often a recall will be the option of last resort once all other avenues have been exhausted. Factors which will be taken in to account are: the volume of product on the market place, how easily the product can be recalled, whether or not there is a safety risk and whether any statutory obligations to undertake a recall apply.

We also provide 'Rapid Response', a global crisis management hotline service, which provides 24-hour, 365-day a year access to regulatory legal advice and crises assistance.

We also have a full capability for dealing with a number of public market surveillance authorities in various jurisdictions at the same time.

## EXPERIENCE

- Advising a number of large multinational firms, including a Japanese software and hardware manufacturer and a US-based speciality chemicals manufacturer, on the requirements on the EU REACH Regulations and providing detailed compliance strategies. This legislation, which provides for the registration, evaluation, authorization and restriction of chemicals, affects not only the chemicals sector but also most other significant manufacturing operations.
- Representing a major consumer electronics manufacturer in a US nationwide class action in which the plaintiffs alleged common law claims for fraudulent concealment and breach of express warranty, as well as violations of California's unfair competition law. Before any discovery was conducted, the court granted DLA Piper's motion to dismiss and motion to strike

Regulatory and  
Government Affairs

- Litigation, Arbitration  
and Investigations
- Corporate

## SECTORES RELACIONADOS

- Biotecnología
- Insurance
- Medios de  
comunicación,  
deportes y  
entretenimiento

class allegations.

- Advising a manufacturer of lighting equipment exported to more than 20 jurisdictions in Europe, Asia and beyond, of its product safety, regulatory notification and recall obligations. We represented our client with the public authorities which initiated the proceedings and used the EU RAPEX System. Our timely advice ensured that the manufacturer's all-important reputation remained intact.
- Representing a steel manufacturer on in construction claims and construction product defect cases. Recent matters involve construction claims for payment on major stadiums and arena projects, roof collapses due to snow and other overload conditions and construction injury cases including wrongful death and other serious personal injury claims.
- Working with regulatory authorities and representing and advising a client in relation to the recall of domestic and trade central heating boilers throughout the UK, Italy and Greece. Faulty flues in the boilers could have given rise to carbon monoxide poisoning.
- Advised on the pan-European (20 countries) recall of Peugeot windscreens for a tier 2 manufacturer.
- Worldwide product recall of overheating fax machines and photocopiers giving rise to a fire risk.
- Defending a Hong Kong company in a claim for supplying defective toys which breached EU safety legislation.
- Advising underwriters on coverage and recovery issues under product recall policy in connection with the shipment of defective refrigeration units from mainland China to the UK.
- Acting as co-national counsel for a leading global pharmaceutical companies in the US in the defense of more than 3,000 claims alleging neuropsychiatric and other injuries from the smoking cessation aid.
- Represented one of the world's leading oil companies in gasoline leak toxic tort claims resulting in collective jury verdicts of \$1.65 billion, which were reversed on appeal by the Maryland Court of Appeals.
- Acting as national counsel in the US for a global medical device company in approximately 175 individual lawsuits arising from injuries and damages allegedly caused by the use of the Company's "cold therapy" medical devices (used in the post-surgical setting to deliver therapeutic cold to an injured area).
- Acting as national counsel in the US for a global pharmaceutical and supplement company in concurrent putative nationwide class actions arising from challenges to advertising, allegedly in violation of consumer protection statutes.
- Serving as regional and strategic counsel for a Japan based automobile manufacturer in the US with respect to personal injury lawsuits alleging unwanted acceleration in two of the company's automobile lines.
- Representing a US home builder, in several individual claims alleging home defects, including breach of warranty, and consumer misrepresentation and fraud in its sales and marketing practices.
- Serving as national counsel for a major US motorcycle manufacturer and several automobile and tire manufacturers.

## NOVEDADES

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## Publicaciones

### **Bellwether trials in MDL proceedings – guidance for transferee judges**

16 MAY 2019

Practical considerations for transferee judges establishing and implementing bellwether protocols in MDL proceedings.

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### **The cybersecurity of digital medical devices: higher technological capabilities, higher likelihood of liability**

8 MAY 2019

To prepare for potential new regulatory requirements, medical device manufacturers should take this opportunity to assess their compliance with HIPAA and FDA's Draft Guidance, then complete a Risk Management Plan.

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## **New Acting FDA Commissioner Sharpless: 4 policy issues to watch**

9 APR 2019

A look at four pressing, high-profile issues facing the new acting FDA commissioner.

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## **Significant preemption win for Bristol-Myers-Squibb and Pfizer in Eliquis product liability multi-district litigation**

27 MAR 2019

The ruling significantly strengthens preemption law in two respects.

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## **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.

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## **Arizona Supreme Court's *Conklin* decision calls into question viability of *Stengel* claims**

26 FEB 2019

The decision creates a promising foothold for defendants seeking to dismiss state-based failure-to-warn claims involving PMA devices.

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## **Explainability: where AI and liability meet**

25 FEB 2019

Makers and users of AI face a new and interesting problem: what is the acceptable tradeoff between explanation and accuracy?

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## **Supreme Court hears oral argument in *Fosamax*: key takeaways**

8 JAN 2019

None of the justices indicated a desire to upset the *Wyeth v. Levine* framework.

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## **Supporting the health of your health system**

3 JAN 2019

Guidance to help tend to healthcare system wellness throughout the business life cycle.

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## **Local strategies in global class actions for product manufacturers and distributors**

2 JAN 2019

We explain what global class actions are, how they may affect product manufacturers, distributors and retailers operating in the global marketplace and what you can do – or should at least consider – if your company is the target of such actions.

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## Food and Beverage News and Trends

19 DEC 2018

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

In this issue, one source of romaine outbreak identified, guidance for California alcohol retailers in aftermath of fires

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## California Proposition 65 lists two chemicals, PFOA and PFOS, found in a number of consumer products

12 DEC 2018

Given Prop 65's active and litigious enforcers, companies doing business in California that suspect their products may cause an exposure to PFOA/PFOS should consider compliance options now.

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## Top of mind: Litigation

10 DEC 2018

Our coverage of big compliance, enforcement and litigation issues that businesses are thinking about this quarter.

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## Food and Beverage News and Trends

3 DEC 2018

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

In this issue, Senate holds confirmation hearings for top food safety post; new labeling and advertising rules aim to reduce burden on alcohol industry

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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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## Improving class action notice and settlement procedures – new amendments to Rule 23

16 NOV 2018

As a whole, the amendments both modernize and streamline current procedures.

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## Exploring ways to improve MDL management: key takeaways from the MDL Subcommittee biannual session

5 NOV 2018

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The MDL Subcommittee of the Advisory Committee on Civil Rules has held a number of public hearings regarding ways to improve the management of multi-district litigation.

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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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## **Artificial Intelligence: from diagnostic programs to sex robots - unresolved liability questions**

24 OCT 2018

Could AI develop to a point where a jury can be persuaded to blame the product, but not the manufacturer?

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

16 OCT 2018

### **FOOD AND BEVERAGE NEWS AND TRENDS SERIES**

In this issue, were dairy cows the culprit in the largest-ever Salmonella recall of ground beef?

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## **How blockchain, Internet of Things and smart contracts improve the supply chain**

27 SEP 2018

Incorporating three key technologies into the supply chain can significantly improve profitability while reducing risk.

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## **Sharpen the nails: 8 ideas for empowering jurors in complex trials**

24 SEP 2018

We can and should work to develop jurors who are better equipped to carry out the difficult tasks we place before them.

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## **California Cruelty-Free Cosmetics Act to ban most animal testing for beauty products: key points**

12 SEP 2018

Given the dominance of the California market, cosmetic companies are considering how they will adjust their development processes ahead of the 2020 deadline.

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## **Top of Mind: Litigation**

6 SEP 2018

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Here is a look at big topics that businesses have been thinking about this quarter, and how DLA Piper has been covering those stories.

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### **CRISPR technology and evolving scientific data: how biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies can mitigate potential product safety risks**

16 AUG 2018

How may product safety issues impact those who develop, license or evaluate the potential of innovative gene therapies like CRISPR?

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

27 JUL 2018

#### **FOOD AND BEVERAGE NEWS AND TRENDS SERIES**

In this issue, FDA says it will begin to take action against nondairy milk products.

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### **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.

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### **PFOA/PFOS: California nods to New Jersey and moves closer to strict MCLs**

23 JUL 2018

Indications that OEHHA may be well on the way to establishing public health goals for PFOA and PFOS.

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### **Ready or not? Product liability and regulatory implications for digital health products**

2 JUL 2018

As laws and regulations catch up with digital health innovation, there remains an open question: how will traditional product liability case law apply?

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### **Supreme Court agrees to hear *Fosamax***

29 JUN 2018

The grant of certiorari comes on the heels of Justice Anthony Kennedy's retirement announcement.

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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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## ***In re Fosamax*: Solicitor General recommends US Supreme Court review impossibility-preemption defense**

5 JUN 2018

The Solicitor General's recommendation substantially increases the chances that the Court will grant certiorari.

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## **PFAS: Pruitt declares EPA will "take action" and sets four "critical steps" in motion**

23 MAY 2018

Pruitt says the EPA intends to "take action" on what he calls four "critical steps" to address the growing concern over PFAS.

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## **CPSC enforcement of Poison Prevention Packaging standards: a recent action – the first of many?**

26 APR 2018

In addition to potential civil penalties, PPPA violations could also lead to costly recalls.

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## **Proposition 65's glyphosate listing survives challenge despite numerous dissenting studies**

26 APR 2018

Glyphosate's Prop 65 listing, and the World Health Organization's research, have become increasingly controversial.

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## **California court's narrow Prop 65 coffee ruling should not be misinterpreted**

9 APR 2018

A careful understanding of the narrow basis of the ruling is important for coffee consumers and for all manner of product-based companies doing business in California.

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## **Massachusetts Supreme Court recognizes brand-name pharmaceutical makers owe duty to consumers of generic medications**

19 MAR 2018

In an opinion with significant implications, the Massachusetts Supreme Court has recognized a narrow window of innovator liability against manufacturers of brand-name pharmaceuticals.

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## **Major developments in class action litigation: 2017 in review and what to watch in 2018**

8 MAR 2018

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This review and forecast looks at recent major developments in class action litigation and key issues to watch.

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### **New glyphosate decision forces Prop 65 to reckon with federally accepted science**

7 MAR 2018

This outcome will likely put wind in the sails of industry groups and individual companies challenging the science behind other Prop 65 listings.

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### **Supporting the health of your health system - our most popular guidance**

2 JAN 2018

#### **HEALTH SYSTEMS ALERT SERIES**

Treat the health of your entire healthcare system. DLA Piper's lawyers provide guidance to help you tend to your system's wellness throughout the business life cycle.

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### **Glyphosate not likely to be carcinogenic to humans, EPA says**

22 DEC 2017

The EPA's decision will likely provide strong evidence to support efforts to challenge glyphosate's listing as a carcinogen.

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### **California Supreme Court endorses innovator liability against manufacturers of brand-name pharmaceuticals**

22 DEC 2017

California Supreme Court: brand-name manufacturers owe a duty of reasonable care to ensure that product labeling includes adequate warnings.

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### **Global Product Liability Guide: announcing our updated online resource**

12 DEC 2017

We are pleased to announce the relaunch of our Global Product Liability Guide, DLA Piper's dedicated online resource devoted to helping manufacturers, importers, suppliers and retailers learn about the product liability risk environment, wherever in the world they do business.

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### **Product liability implications in the digital health industry**

4 DEC 2017

As digital health products become commercialized and their use becomes more mainstream, companies face a higher likelihood of product liability litigation and regulatory scrutiny.

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## **More than just new warnings: important changes in Prop 65 liability allocation take effect August 2018**

15 NOV 2017

The new regulations give tools that proactive companies can use to reduce their Prop 65 exposure, but there are potential pitfalls.

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## **FDA announces major regulatory overhaul initiative**

8 SEP 2017

This initiative will be a massive undertaking given the breadth of FDA's regulatory authority over a vast array of products and industries.

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## **Six things to know about glyphosate**

8 AUG 2017

The regulatory landscape around glyphosate is evolving, and over the next few years regulators and plaintiff groups will be paying substantial attention.

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## **US Supreme Court strikes death blow against forum shopping in mass actions by limiting personal jurisdiction**

21 JUN 2017

The Court's opinion continues the trend of limiting personal jurisdiction.

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## **US Supreme Court: class action plaintiffs cannot voluntarily dismiss claims in effort to appeal denial of class certification**

15 JUN 2017

The unanimous decision is a significant victory for class action defendants.

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## **Food safety from farm to fork: FDA publishes proposed rules aiming to ensure the safety and security of the food supply**

24 JAN 2013

The proposed rules lay the foundation of the prevention-based, modern food safety system envisioned in the FSMA and have wide-ranging effects on many industries, including every link in the global food supply chain.

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## **Law à la Mode**

1 MAY 2012

## LAW À LA MODE SERIES

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### Law à la Mode

1 DEC 2011

## LAW À LA MODE SERIES

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### UK: The real risk of cyber attack

1 AUG 2011

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## NOTICIAS

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### 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.

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### Mariana Lozza and Nicolas Teijeiro join DLA Piper Argentina

14 MAY 2019

DLA Piper Argentina announced today the addition of Mariana Lozza as a partner in the International Arbitration practice and Nicolas Teijeiro as a partner in the Corporate Finance practice. Both will be based in the firm's Buenos Aires office.

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### Carl Wessel joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in Washington, DC

22 APR 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Carl Wessel has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Washington, DC.

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### DLA Piper represents Immunomedics in dismissal of class action lawsuit

16 APR 2019

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### DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2019

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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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#### **Kathleen Birrane named to the *Daily Record's* 2019 Top 100 Women list**

14 MAR 2019

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Kathleen Birrane, a partner in the firm's Litigation practice and Insurance sector, has been named to the *Daily Record's* 2019 Top 100 Women list.

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#### **Peter Karanjia joins DLA Piper's Telecom and Appellate practices in Washington, DC**

4 MAR 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Peter Karanjia has joined the firm's Telecom and Appellate practices as a partner in Washington, DC.

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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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#### **Stefanie Wayco joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in Atlanta**

31 JAN 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Stefanie Wayco has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Atlanta.

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#### **Former Delaware Attorney General Matt Denn joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice**

23 JAN 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Matt Denn, who has served as Delaware's attorney general since 2015, has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Wilmington.

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#### **Terry Weiss joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in Atlanta**

23 JAN 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Terry Weiss has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Atlanta.

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### **Kate Brown de Vejar joins DLA Piper as global co-chair of International Arbitration**

22 JAN 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Kate Brown de Vejar has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Mexico City and New York.

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### **Two DLA Piper lawyers listed in *D Magazine's* 2019 Best Lawyers Under 40 list**

8 JAN 2019

Crystal Woods and James C. Bookhout were recently named to *D Magazine's* 2019 Best Lawyers Under 40 list, which recognizes outstanding young lawyers in Dallas.

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### **Eric Falkenberry named a *Law360* Data-Driven Lawyer for 2018**

5 DEC 2018

Eric Falkenberry has been named a *Law360* Data-Driven Lawyer for 2018.

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### **DLA Piper and IKM Advocates secure victory for the Republic of Kenya defeating a US\$2 billion ICSID claim**

24 OCT 2018

In a decisive victory for the Republic of Kenya, DLA Piper and DLA Piper Africa member firm, IKM Advocates, have successfully defeated the claim estimated to be worth US\$2 billion in arbitration proceedings brought by a mining investor, Cortec Mining Kenya Limited. The claim was brought under the bilateral investment treaty (BIT) between the UK and Kenya dated 13 September 1999. The arbitration took place under the auspices of the World Bank's International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), with the hearing taking place in Dubai in January 2018. The Tribunal issued its award on 22 October 2018.

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### **DLA Piper secures summary judgment victory on behalf of well-known economist in fraud lawsuit**

12 OCT 2018

DLA Piper won summary judgment on behalf of well-known economist Dr. Arthur Laffer, one of multiple defendants in a lawsuit alleging securities fraud and numerous other claims, and seeking more than US\$30 million in damages.

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### **R. Matthew Hiller joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in Chicago**

9 OCT 2018

DLA Piper announced today that R. Matthew Hiller has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Chicago.

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### **Ellen Dew named to the *Daily Record's* 2018 Leading Women list**

5 OCT 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Ellen Dew, an associate in the firm's Litigation practice, has been named to the *Daily Record's* 2018 Leading Women List.

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### **Daniel Tobey joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in Dallas**

19 SEP 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Daniel Tobey has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Dallas.

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### **Brooke Kim and Evan Parness named *Law360* Rising Stars**

16 AUG 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that *Law360* has named Brooke Kim and Evan Parness to its 2018 list of Rising Star attorneys.

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### **Angela Agrusa named to the *Los Angeles Business Journal* Top Litigators list**

15 AUG 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Angela Agrusa has been named as one of the Top Litigators by the *Los Angeles Business Journal*.

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### **Lida Rodriguez-Taseff joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in Miami**

6 AUG 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Lida Rodriguez-Taseff has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Miami.

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### **Harout Samra of DLA Piper reappointed to Florida Third District Court of Appeal Judicial Nominating Commission**

1 AUG 2018

Harout Samra was reappointed by Florida Governor Rick Scott to serve on the Florida Third District Court of Appeal Judicial Nominating Commission for a second term.

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### **DLA Piper wins significant victory for New York University**

31 JUL 2018

DLA Piper won a significant victory for its client, New York University (NYU), in an Employee Retirement Income Security Act

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(ERISA)- related class action.

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### **DLA Piper and cooperative firm lawyers recognized by the Latin American Corporate Counsel Association**

17 JUL 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that the Latin American Corporate Counsel Association have included eleven firm and cooperative firm attorneys on their list of Latin America's leading business lawyers.

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### **Eric Falkenberg named to the Fastcase 50 list**

12 JUL 2018

Eric Falkenberg was named to the "Fastcase 50" list which honors "the smartest, most courageous innovators, techies, visionaries and leaders in the law."

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### **Kristi Kung joins DLA Piper's Litigation and Healthcare practices in Northern Virginia and Washington, DC**

27 JUN 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Kristi Kung has joined the firm's Litigation and Healthcare practices as a partner in Northern Virginia and Washington, DC.

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### **Levi Heath joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in Los Angeles**

19 JUN 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Levi Heath has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Los Angeles.

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### **Robby Robertson joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in Chicago**

12 JUN 2018

DLA Piper announced today that J. Robert "Robby" Robertson has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Chicago.

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### **DLA Piper secures victory for WebSpectator**

24 MAY 2018

DLA Piper secured a victory this week in its representation of WebSpectator Corporation, a Santa Monica-based company that pioneered online analytics and attention ad space, as the plaintiff before the United States District Court for the Central District of California.

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### **Angela Agrusa named to the *Daily Journal's* Top Women Lawyers in California list**

2 MAY 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Angela Agrusa, a Los Angeles-based partner in the firm's Litigation practice, has been named one of the Top Women Lawyers in California by the *Daily Journal*.

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### **Alva Mather joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in Philadelphia**

30 APR 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Alva Mather has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Philadelphia.

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### **Angela Agrusa and Ann Lawrence named to *Los Angeles Business Journal's* 2018 Most Influential Women Attorneys list**

26 APR 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Los Angeles-based partners Angela Agrusa and Ann Lawrence, global co-chair of the firm's Retail Industry sector, have both been selected for the Los Angeles Business Journal's 2018 Most Influential Women Attorneys list.

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### **DLA Piper wins significant victory for Maryland Reclamation Associates**

17 APR 2018

DLA Piper won a significant victory for its client, Maryland Reclamation Associates, Inc.(MRA), in a case filed against Harford County, Maryland, in the Harford County Circuit Court.

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### **DLA Piper a top firm for handling Product Liability MDL cases in Lex Machina inaugural report**

6 APR 2018

Lex Machina ranked DLA Piper as a top defendant law firm in the number of open product liability cases associated with multidistrict litigation (MDL) master cases that were pending in 2017.

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### **DLA Piper adds Jason Lewis and Jason Hopkins to Litigation practice in Dallas**

5 APR 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Jason Lewis and Jason Hopkins have joined the firm's Litigation practice as partners in Dallas.

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

3 APR 2018

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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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#### **Brett Ingerman named to the *Daily Record's* 2018 Leadership in Law list**

26 MAR 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Brett Ingerman, managing partner of the firm's Baltimore office, was named to the *Daily Record's* 2018 Leadership in Law list.

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#### **Jeff Tsai joins DLA Piper's Litigation, White Collar and Investigations practices in California**

26 MAR 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Jeff Tsai has joined the firm's Litigation, White Collar and Investigations practices as a partner in California, based out of the San Francisco and Los Angeles offices.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Timor-Leste on historic maritime treaty**

6 MAR 2018

DLA Piper has been advising the Government of Timor-Leste, for more than four years, on its historic maritime treaty with the Australian Government, signed today at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, following the successful outcome of a compulsory conciliation process.

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#### **Former United States Magistrate Judge Andrew J. Peck to join Litigation practice in New York**

3 MAR 2018

DLA Piper announced today that former United States Magistrate Judge Andrew J. Peck will join the firm's Litigation practice as senior counsel in the New York office.

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#### **DLA Piper files amicus brief with US Supreme Court in capital case**

20 FEB 2018

DLA Piper filed on a pro bono basis an amicus brief to urge the United States Supreme Court to grant the petition for certiorari for Eric Branch.

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#### **DLA Piper expands in Dallas with addition of leading employment and litigation lawyers**

1 FEB 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Marc Katz and Isabel Crosby have joined the firm's Dallas office as partners in the Employment practice, and Rob Hoffman has joined as a partner in the Litigation practice.

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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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### **Joel Athey joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in Los Angeles**

24 JAN 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Joel Athey has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Los Angeles.

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### **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.

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### **Stephen Matthews joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in New Jersey**

17 JAN 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Stephen Matthews has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in the Short Hills, New Jersey, office.

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### **DLA Piper represents UC Davis Health in settlement of lawsuit against Sacramento County**

14 DEC 2017

DLA Piper represented UC Davis Health and the Regents of the University of California in a recently settled lawsuit filed against Sacramento County over payment obligations for medical care provided to county indigent patients and jail inmates.

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### **DLA Piper's Paul A. Tiburzi elected Chairman of the Greater Baltimore Committee Board of Directors**

8 DEC 2017

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Paul A. Tiburzi has been unanimously elected as the new Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Greater Baltimore Committee (GBC).

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### **Mark Waite joins DLA Piper as partner in Houston**

2 NOV 2017

DLA Piper announced today that Mark Waite has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Houston.

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### **Amy Rudd joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice as partner in Austin**

11 OCT 2017

DLA Piper announced today that Amy Rudd has joined the firm's Litigation practice as partner in the Austin office.

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### **DLA Piper successfully represents NuVasive in shareholder derivative suit victory**

4 OCT 2017

DLA Piper successfully defended NuVasive, its board of directors and three officers of the company in a shareholder derivative suit.

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### **DLA Piper completes merger with Liner LLP**

2 OCT 2017

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that its combination with Liner LLP, a Los Angeles-based boutique law firm, is now effective.

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### **DLA Piper's Philadelphia office adds two new associates**

2 OCT 2017

DLA Piper today announced the addition of two new associates to the firm's Philadelphia office.

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### **DLA Piper announces healthcare enforcement response team**

26 SEP 2017

To better serve the healthcare sector, DLA Piper has established a team of experienced professionals to address governmental enforcement proceedings arising from activity by HEAT and other regulators.

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### **DLA Piper recognized as a litigation powerhouse by BTI Consulting**

14 SEP 2017

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that it has been recognized as a "powerhouse" law firm for class actions and complex commercial litigation by BTI Consulting Group in its recently published *BTI Litigation Outlook 2018* report.

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### **Former Assistant to the US Solicitor General Ilana Eisenstein joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in Philadelphia**

7 SEP 2017

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DLA Piper today announced the addition of Ilana Eisenstein to the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Philadelphia.

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### **DLA Piper adds litigator Christopher Oprison in Miami**

22 AUG 2017

DLA Piper announced today that Christopher Oprison has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Miami.

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### **Lisa Haile and Gina Durham named *Daily Journal* Top Intellectual Property Lawyers in California**

16 AUG 2017

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that the *Daily Journal* has named Lisa Haile and Gina Durham to its 2017 list of Top Intellectual Property Lawyers in California. The award recognizes attorneys who successfully argued a novel theory of law, saved a client's business by winning a case or protected a client's portfolio.

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### **DLA Piper advises Beijing BDStar Navigation Co., Ltd on the purchase of an interest in the in-tech Group**

19 Jun 2017

DLA Piper has advised BDStar as part of a bidding procedure on the acquisition of an interest in the company in-tech GmbH, a supplier for the digitization and the development in the area of automotive, machinery and transportation systems.

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### **DLA Piper berät Beijing BDStar Navigation Co., Ltd beim Erwerb von Anteilen an der in-tech Gruppe**

19 Jun 2017

DLA Piper hat die BDStar beim Erwerb einer Beteiligung an der in-tech GmbH, einem international agierenden Spezialisten für Digitalisierung und Entwicklung in den Branchen Automotive, Maschinenbau und Verkehrssysteme, beraten.

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

31 MAY 2017

DLA Piper today announced that 161 of the firm's lawyers and 62 of its practices were ranked in *Chambers USA's* 2017 guide.

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### **DLA Piper Litigation attorneys win Burton Award for legal writing**

25 MAY 2017

DLA Piper Litigation partners Mike Piazza and Jonathan Haray, along with Litigation associate Katie Ruffing, received a 2017 award for legal writing from the Burton Awards for Legal Achievement.

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