



Technology

DLA Piper works with many of the world's leading technology companies, offering advice throughout a broad range of areas - from corporate transactions to IP protection, patent law and litigation, and including regulatory, compliance, employment and contracting issues.

DLA Piper's global technology sector lawyers work across practice areas and offices to support technology clients wherever they do business. From startups to fast growing and mid-market businesses to mature global enterprises, our clients are companies that develop or create technology, are enabled by technology, or whose business model is fundamentally based on technology. Our technology sector clients include companies in the following areas:

- Software
- Computer hardware
- [FinTech](#)
- PayTech
- InsureTech
- [PropTech](#)
- [Artificial intelligence and robotics](#)
- [Blockchain](#)
- [Unmanned Aerial Systems and Unmanned Aerial Vehicles](#)
- [Telecommunications](#)
- Games and entertainment
- Online commerce and new media
- IT and outsourcing services
- CleanTech
- Semiconductors

We advise technology companies throughout the business life cycle. We help startups get organized and funded and assist both growing and established technology companies in employment matters, commercial and technology transactions and IP patent protection strategies.

Continued growth means a steady need for legal support in such areas as M&A, IPOs and dispute resolution. As companies expand their business internationally, we help with international tax planning, regulatory compliance, establishment of new entities and compliance with local laws for employment, benefit plans and company policies. For the largest companies, we partner with in-house legal departments, providing additional experience and capacity to address all these areas.

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- Public Company and Corporate Governance
- Technology Transactions and Strategic Sourcing
- Transfer Pricing

- Declarative Holdings, Inc., d/b/a Cloud Sherpas Inc., in its acquisition of Stoneburn Software Services Ltd (US\$5 billion)
- Virtustream, Inc., an enterprise-class cloud software and services provider, in its reverse triangular merger sale to EMC Corp., a provider of IT storage hardware solutions (US\$1.2 billion)
- Adobe Systems Inc. in its acquisition of Fotolia LLC (US\$800 million)
- Citigroup Global Markets Inc. as underwriters in the takedown of publicly registered floating-rate debt, guaranteed by Telefonica S.A. of Telefonica Emisiones S.A.U. (US\$500 million)
- Qualcomm Incorporated in the cross-border stock purchase acquisition by Qualcomm Life, its wholly owned subsidiary, of Capsule Technologies SAS, a France-based global provider of medical device integration and clinical data management solutions (US\$305 million)
- Comverse, Inc., a global provider of services and products to telecom companies, in the sale of its business support systems (BSS) to Amdocs Ltd., a multinational software services provider to communications and media companies (US\$272.8 million)

- Telecom

RELATED SECTORS

- Media, Sport and Entertainment

Intellectual Property

- Motorola for claims against Blackberry-maker RIM involving 27 patents in multiple courts and countries
- GSI Technology and five other clients against Cypress Semiconductor in a patent litigation matter in the ITC, and GSI in a parallel district court case, involving a total of six patents
- Toshiba in the successful defense of a Delaware district court action brought by Intellectual Ventures (IV) Litigation
- LUMOS Solar LLC in successfully opposing enforcement of an international arbitration award
- Extreme Networks, Inc. and its officers in a securities class action litigation filed in the Northern District of California
- ServiceSource International Inc., its CEO, and its subsidiary, Scout Analytics, Inc., achieving a total victory in a federal securities class action
- The former directors of TeleCommunication Systems, Inc. (TCS), achieving a total victory in two class action stockholder challenges to TCS's decision to be acquired by Comtech Telecommunications Corp. in an all-cash tender offer

Strategic Sourcing / Technology Transactions

- HCL Technologies in concluding global outsourcing transactions with some of their very largest customers
- Atos in support of its sourcing engagements with its customers all around the world

Awards and recognitions

- Named Band 1 for Technology, Media & Telecom (*Chambers Global*, 2018)
- Named one of the top five Most Tech-Savvy Law Firms (BTI Consulting, 2017)
- Law Firm of the Year in Corporate Venture (*Global Corporate Venturing*, 2015 and 2016)
- Tier 2 for Technology Transactions (*Legal500 US*, 2017)
- 2nd Most Favorable and Recognized Legal Brand Globally (Acritas, 2017)
- Recognized for strength of client relationships in many industries, including high tech (*BTI Industry Power Rankings*, 2017)
- #1 in Global M&A for ninth consecutive year (*Mergermarket*, 2018)
- #2 Most Active Global Firm for PE deals, (*Pitchbook*, 2018)
 - #2 Most Active in IT deals
- #5 Most Active Global Firm for VC deals (*Pitchbook*, 2018)
 - #4 Most Active in Software deals
 - #4 Most Active in IT/Hardware deals

INSIGHTS

Publications

Cloud computing in the financial services sector

18 October 2019

TECHNOLOGY'S LEGAL EDGE

As banks and other financial services companies adopt cloud computing for a variety of purposes, questions about the operational risks involved have emerged. In order to use the cloud, many banks are depending on cloud service providers to protect sensitive information rather than managing their own systems, with the potential of harm to consumers and businesses if a breach occurs. Regulators have begun to take a close look at how financial institutions are mitigating risk while relying on third-party providers to secure their data.

Blockchain and Digital Assets News and Trends

18 October 2019

BLOCKCHAIN AND DIGITAL ASSETS NEWS AND TRENDS

In this issue, new guidance on the taxation of cryptocurrency from the IRS, plus the latest legal developments in blockchain technology, smart contracts and digital assets.

Foreign Investment in Australia

16 Oct 2019

Foreign investment is key to Australia's economic development, and Australia welcomes it.

Our guide to Foreign Investment in Australia is designed to help those considering investing in Australia to navigate through the regulatory and legislative regime framework, and maximise the many opportunities that Australia has to offer.

US regulators assert jurisdiction on several fronts regarding digital assets

16 October 2019

Companies offering digital assets are taking note of this upswing in regulatory activity and their compliance obligations.

US Supreme Court denies review of *Robles v. Domino's Pizza*, opening door to more lawsuits on website and mobile app accessibility claims

16 October 2019

Does the ADA apply to websites and mobile apps?

Hikvision and other Chinese companies added to the Entity List

10 October 2019

The list includes Chinese companies in the video surveillance, artificial intelligence, voice recognition, deep learning and other technology fields.

Business Start-up Pack - UK

18 JUN 2014

This Start-up Pack has been designed and prepared by DLA Piper's Technology Sector initiative, which includes lawyers with experience in intellectual property, corporate, employment and tax matters.

Digital Transformation in Energy and Natural Resources

9 October 2019

The global demand for power rises, the requirement for increased productivity, greater efficiencies in distribution and flexibility for consumers (both corporate and residential) is also growing. As such, we have launched report on how digital technologies are impacting the Energy and Natural Resources sector.

Mexico: 2020 tax reform proposal

7 October 2019

The proposed reform aims to broaden the scope of activities subject to tax, as well as the reporting obligations of Mexican and foreign taxpayers.

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.

***Lloyd v Google*: A good day for claimant lawyers; a bad day for Google and organisations defending privacy group litigation**

3 October 2019

On 2 October 2019 the Court of Appeal allowed an appeal in *Lloyd v Google*, a significant case in the continued evolution of the UK class action and data protection regimes.

Japan Fair Trade Commission published the Draft Guidelines Concerning Abuse of a Superior Bargaining Position of Digital Platformer Operators to Protect Consumers' Personal Information

1 October 2019

On August 29, 2019, the JFTC announced its draft "Guidelines Concerning Abuse of a Superior Bargaining Position under the Antimonopoly Act on the Transactions between Digital Platformer Operators and Consumers that provide Personal Information, etc. (the "Draft Guidelines")" and requested public comments on the Draft Guidelines.

Intellectual Property and Technology News (North America), Issue 43, Q3 2019

30 Sep 2019

[INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND TECHNOLOGY NEWS SERIES](#)

Our Intellectual Property and Technology News reports on worldwide developments in IP and technology law, offering perspectives, analysis and visionary ideas.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

27 September 2019

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

In this issue, the future of identity in financial services, plus latest developments from the legislatures, the regulators and the courts.

Treasury Department proposes regulations comprehensively implementing FIRRMA and reforming CFIUS national security review

19 September 2019

The proposed regulations affect non-controlling investments involving critical technologies, critical infrastructure, and sensitive personal data; and transactions involving real estate near sensitive national security facilities.

Blockchain and Digital Assets News and Trends

19 September 2019

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In this issue, Wyoming aims to provide legal framework for using blockchain and transacting in digital assets, plus the latest legal developments in blockchain technology, smart contracts and digital assets.

Wyoming aims to provide legal framework for using blockchain and transacting in digital assets

19 September 2019

The most notable of these new laws.

Task Force on Artificial Intelligence hearing: the future of identity in financial services – key testimony on threats, challenges, opportunities

17 September 2019

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On September 12, 2019, the Task Force on Artificial Intelligence, which is a task force within the House Financial Services Committee (FSC), held a hearing titled "The Future of Identity in Financial Services: Threats, Challenges, and Opportunities."

A guide to the General Data Protection Regulation [Updated for 2019]

17 September 2019

On 4 May 2016, the text of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) was published in the Official Journal of the European Union, concluding over four years of intensive legislative work on a new data protection legal framework for Europe.

Don't get caught out: Intellectual property arrangements will be susceptible to prosecution for anti-competitive conduct from 13 September 2019

12 September 2019

From 13 September 2019, commercial arrangements relating to IP rights - including licences, assignments, litigation settlement agreements and other contracts, arrangements or understandings between businesses - will no longer be exempt from the anti-competitive conduct provisions of the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth) (CCA).

Cybercriminals' use of AI brings new risks to financial security

12 September 2019

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FTC announces record \$170 million COPPA settlement with Google and YouTube for children's privacy violations

5 September 2019

This is the first time the FTC has found a general audience online service in violation of the COPPA Rule for collecting personal information from a child-directed portion of its service.

TechLaw Podcast: Future regulation for artificial intelligence

03 SEP 2019

[TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES](#)

In episode 23 of our TechLaw Podcast Series, Consultant at DLA Piper, Lord Tim Clement-Jones is joined by Ed Thomas from GlobalData Plc. to discuss the regulatory framework likely to govern future innovation in AI-related technologies.

No-deal Brexit: Impact on the technology sector

1 September 2019

While a range of outcomes, including [a departure under the terms of the current Withdrawal Agreement](#), remains possible, it is important for businesses to plan for a no-deal Brexit, in which the UK leaves the EU without a withdrawal agreement or other deal. Here we look at the potential impact of a no-deal Brexit on the technology sector

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

30 August 2019

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

In this issue, an analysis on the requirements for receiving an electronically signed 4506-T form, plus latest developments from

the legislatures, the regulators and the courts.

TechLaw Podcast: Transforming payment solutions for platform businesses with Paybase

28 AUG 2019

[TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES](#)

In episode 22 of our TechLaw Podcast Series, DLA Piper Partner, Chloe Forster, and Co-Founder of Paybase, Anna Tsyupko, discuss the challenges commonly faced by platform businesses and how to drive diversity and inclusion in an organisation.

Blockchain and Digital Assets News and Trends

23 August 2019

[BLOCKCHAIN AND DIGITAL ASSETS NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

In this issue, blockchain consortium governance, plus the latest legal developments in blockchain technology, smart contracts and digital assets.

Slow death of the innovation patent

29 July 2019

Those with a keen interest in the fate of Australia's innovation patent will recall its last minute reprieve, when legislation abolishing the innovation patent was removed from the Intellectual Property Laws Amendment (Productivity Commission Response Part 1 and Other Measures) Act 2018 (Cth).

Amendment to Japanese Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act expands restricted business sectors for foreign investment in Japan

22 August 2019

The Japanese Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act requires prior filings with relevant ministries via the Bank of Japan for foreign investments in certain business sectors relating to national security, public order, and public safety, etc.

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.

Breach and cyber incident reporting: disclosure challenges for public companies

13 August 2019

What incident reporting trends are we seeing that affect public companies, and what is SEC staff focusing on in comments related to cybersecurity?

FTC seeks comment on proposed changes to COPPA – action steps

12 August 2019

The proposed changes arise from concerns about the safety of the rapidly evolving online environment for children.

Three predictions for the future of AI: it's not evil, it's the new electricity

12 August 2019

[TECHNOLOGY'S LEGAL EDGE](#)

Top three predictions on the future of AI and IoT.

Ninth Circuit finds Article III standing in case alleging Facebook violated the Illinois Biometric Information Privacy Act

9 Aug 2019

The Ninth Circuit will likely continue to be a hotbed of privacy litigation for years to come.

Israel Group News August 2019

7 August 2019

[ISRAEL GROUP NEWS](#)

In this issue, our global activities, latest publications, coming events and more.

TechLaw Podcast: Driving diversity through technology

07 AUG 2019

[TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES](#)

Laura Da Silva Gomes from WePlayFair.org joins DLA Piper's Katherine Gibson to explore how investing in diversity and inclusion strategies can offer a competitive advantage in episode 21 of our TechLaw Podcast Series.

Disrupting the real estate industry: emerging trends in proptech

6 August 2019

[TECHNOLOGY'S LEGAL EDGE](#)

As companies strive to stay on the cutting edge, here are some of the trends we anticipate will play an significant role in the continued development of the proptech industry.

Artificial Intelligence: What we have seen so far in 2019 and what is to come...

5 August 2019

[TECHNOLOGY'S LEGAL EDGE](#)

As an increasing number of industries begin opting for solutions based on machine learning, here are seven of the top AI trends that we have seen in 2019 and a prediction of what we think will come in the near future.

EU Impact - Issue 6

1 August 2019

While you are looking forward to departing on your well-deserved summer holidays (or are reading our newsletter while at your holiday destination already), the EU institutions have likewise reduced their activities to a minimum as from last week until the end of August.

Changes in electronic communications and digital marketing – revised proposal for the ePrivacy Regulation

1 August 2019

PRIVACY MATTERS

On 26 July 2019, at the level of the Council, the Finnish government has issued a revised (Council) proposal for the e-Privacy Regulation with some amendments concerning electronic communication content, data & metadata, and further processing of metadata.

ACH debit entries: NACHA rule change and guidance from CFPB consent order - key takeaways on compliance

31 July 2019

Without proper consideration of the NACHA rule changes and the consent order, banks processing ACH debits may be exposed to unnecessary risk.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

31 July 2019

ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS

In this issue: without proper consideration of the NACHA rule change and the CFPB consent order, banks processing ACH debits may be exposed to unnecessary risk; plus latest developments from the legislatures, the regulators and the courts.

Houston, we have a breach. Now what? Lessons learned from the SEC's Facebook settlement

31 July 2019

Much has been written about preventing breaches. But what should companies think about doing when they become aware of a breach?

Surviving the service provider data breach

29 July 2019

From the bad guy's perspective, why hack one organization when you can hit a service provider with potentially weaker defenses

and the sensitive data of many organizations?

Facebook announces Libra cryptocurrency – Congress responds

26 July 2019

The Libra/Calibra project - two recent congressional hearings.

FTC announces Cambridge Analytica settlement

25 July 2019

A sign that the FTC may be stepping up its pursuit of individual liability in addition to corporate liability.

Real Estate Gazette: Technology

26 July 2019

[REAL ESTATE GAZETTE SERIES](#)

This issue highlights the various legal issues related to technology.

Blockchain and Digital Assets News and Trends

26 July 2019

[BLOCKCHAIN AND DIGITAL ASSETS NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

In this issue, Facebook announces Libra currency, plus the latest legal developments in blockchain technology, smart contracts and digital assets.

FTC unfriends Facebook

25 July 2019

The FTC order imposes new penalties and requirements on Facebook.

Announcing Accelerate's newly updated market data

25 July 2019

Data may be filtered by time period, transaction volume, transaction type and, in some cases, industry vertical.

PropTech in the United States – where we're heading

25 July 2019

Smart contracts facilitate automation, certainty, and efficiency. But they also present a challenge to the existing legal framework.

Q2 Editor's Column

24 July 2019

As we enter the dog days of summer, we can reflect on the first half of the year and plan for success for the coming months.

Supreme Court Corner

24 July 2019

The Court clarifies a circuit split over copyright in *Fourth Estate* and, in *Mission Product Holdings*, says a licensee's rights survive the licensor's bankruptcy.

Intellectual Property and Technology News (North America), Issue 42, Q2 2019

24 July 2019

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Top Patent Litigation Firm

24 July 2019

Lex Machina's 2018 Patent Litigation Year in Review recognizes DLA Piper as one of the top ten most active national law firms representing defendants in US patent disputes.

Alice uncertainty: curiouser and curiouser

24 July 2019

The Federal Circuit declines to follow USPTO guidance on subject matter eligibility, instead following its own precedent.

ITC Section 337 update: Commission decision stayed?

24 July 2019

Significant new developments.

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.

The government in your cloud

24 July 2019

As companies shift more data to the cloud, the US government's ability to access that content should not be overlooked.

Updated FATF standards include interpretative note on virtual assets

16 July 2019

The FATF updates its anti-money laundering and counter-terrorist financing standards.

SEC and FINRA issue joint statement on broker-dealer custody of digital asset securities

12 July 2019

The Joint Statement discusses issues facing those wishing to intermediate transactions in digital asset securities and facilitate the creation of an organized marketplace.

Episode 5: Apps are being shut down in China - will yours be next?

12 July 2019

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While apps are incredibly popular in China, in recent months some have been disappearing from app stores in the country because they do not comply with recent apps regulations. Indeed many companies are not even aware of the comprehensive new privacy compliance obligations for apps in China.

Updated guide on the insurability of GDPR fines across Europe

11 July 2019

We've partnered again with Aon for the second edition of The Price of Data Security, our guide to the insurability of GDPR fines across Europe, which includes common issues faced by organisations and practical case studies.

DC Circuit's ruling in OPM data breach case deepens circuit split on Article III standing

10 July 2019

The court finds a heightened risk of identity theft alone can provide data breach litigants with standing.

Updates on giving gifts to officials in Thailand

8 July 2019

[THAILAND FOCUS](#)

The Act Supplementing the Constitution Relating to the Prevention and Suppression of Corruption (2018) (Act) regulates the giving of Gifts or Benefits by any person to Officials in Thailand.

Ethiopian Communications Service Proclamation

3 July 2019

The Communications Service Proclamation, which was adopted by the Ethiopian Parliament recently, introduces a number of major changes into the Ethiopian telecom sector. A brief explanation of the major changes is provided below together with some commentary from DLA Piper's telecoms team.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

28 June 2019

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

In this issue, an analysis of California's recent law regarding chatbots, plus the latest developments from the legislatures, the regulators and the courts.

Episode 4: Getting data out of China - the challenge of operating your China business offshore

26 June 2019

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An updated and substantially more onerous draft of China's long awaited position on cross border data transfers has just been published. The Measures on Personal Information Cross Border Transfer Security Assessment (Measures) apply to all "Network Operators" and will require specific action to be taken by all businesses that send personal information out of China.

Blockchain and Digital Assets News and Trends

24 June 2019

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In this issue, consortium blockchain governance, plus the latest legal developments in blockchain technology, smart contracts and digital assets.

Shall we play a game? Reinforcement learning and the AI training data challenge

24 June 2019

A properly trained special-purpose AI can be a wonderful thing. AI systems have already displayed super-human performance in many fields, from diagnosing specific medical conditions, to spotting fraudulent transactions, or identifying infringing content amongst the fire-hose of social media.

Who's that bot? California requires clear disclosure starting 7/1/2019

20 June 2019

A California law attempts to tackle the problem of automated online accounts that simulate conversation – and that are used to confuse or deceive.

Major developments in class action litigation for 2018 – 2019

18 June 2019

A top-level look at class action litigation for 2018-2019 and a look at trends, issues, and strategies that businesses face in the months to come.

Legalization of Self-Driving Vehicles in Japan: Progress Made, but Obstacles Remain

18 June 2019

On May 17, 2019, the Diet of Japan passed a bill to amend the Road Transport Vehicle Act, which includes, among other changes, introduction of the term “automatic operating device”. Furthermore, on May 28, 2019, the Diet separately passed a bill to amend the Road Traffic Act, which includes an amendment to allow drivers to use self-driving vehicles

***District of Columbia v. Facebook*: General Consumer Protection Statute can serve as vehicle for state attorney general seeking redress for data privacy violations**

12 June 2019

This case should be carefully examined by entities that collect data for a number of reasons.

Top 10 IP developments in China

11 June 2019

DLA Piper's IPT group explain the top 10 recent IP developments in China. This alert covers issues ranging from amendments to China's key IP laws and technology import/export regulations to the establishment of Internet Courts and adoption of blockchain technology in court cases.

Software Malpractice in the Age of AI: A Guide for the Wary Tech Company

11 June 2019

Danny Tobey analyzes the case law rejecting software malpractice for clues about where the doctrine might go in the age of AI, then discusses what technology companies can learn from the safety enhancements of doctors, lawyers, and other historic professionals who have adapted to such heightened legal scrutiny for years.

Nevada colors within the lines of CCPA, offering a do not sell right for covered information

10 JUN 2019

The bill offers a more workable and understandable alternative to the CCPA, with rights tied to clearer definitions and provisions

that will require fewer operational resources to implement.

Latest updates on Thailand's Personal Data Protection and Cyber-security Act

6 June 2019

THAILAND FOCUS

In this issue, articles include latest updates on Personal Data Protection in Thailand and summary of the Cyber-security Act in Thailand

Deadlines approaching fast for fourth set of Section 301 tariffs

4 JUN 2019

Companies have the opportunity to present their views on specific products before the list is finalized but there is less than one month before the window closes.

Episode 3: Yet more regulators join the party in enforcing cybersecurity

4 June 2019

NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY

Licensed telcos and internet businesses in China face a new wave of investigations by the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT) as they announce a new enforcement campaign aimed at ensuring network security compliance.

The Singapore Payment Services Act 2019 - What you need to know if dealing in crypto-currency or e-money

4 JUN 2019

If you issue crypto-currency or electronic money (i.e. money which is stored electronically), or provide services dealing in crypto-currency or electronic money in Singapore, you will now need to apply for a licence from the Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS).

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

31 MAY 2019

ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS

In this issue, website accessibility – the growing regulatory and litigation risk, plus latest developments from the legislatures, the regulators and the courts.

Website accessibility – not just about complying with the ADA

31 MAY 2019

Both regulatory and litigation risks related to website accessibility are on the rise.

Episode 2: New stringent cyber security rules announced in China, what will your business need to do?

29 May 2019

[NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY](#)

Organisations with operations in China must prepare now for new comprehensive cybersecurity rules. The Chinese authorities have announced MLPS "version 2.0", which will come into force on 1 December 2019, and have potential significant impact to businesses' infrastructure and operations in China.

Blockchain and Digital Assets News and Trends

24 MAY 2019

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Singapore data security - Recent incidents and compliance steps you

23 May 2019

Organisations handling Singapore personal data should re-evaluate their data security compliance programmes in light of recent regulatory scrutiny and enforcement action.

Commerce issues Temporary General License for Huawei

22 MAY 2019

The Temporary General License is a brief reprieve.

Episode 1: Cyber enforcement starts

21 May 2019

[NAVIGATING CHINA: THE DIGITAL JOURNEY](#)

China's cybersecurity regulators are now taking their first steps to verify organisations' (including foreign businesses') compliance with China's cybersecurity laws. As anticipated, the focus is on businesses that have an online presence in China.

Technology and disruption in the insurance sector: 2019 and beyond

21 MAY 2019

[INSURANCE HORIZONS SERIES](#)

The past decade has seen disruption become a key catchphrase in business, politics and public thought, as the impact of disruption spreads across economies. While this disruption may manifest as new business models, and the upending of old ones, it is technology that is enabling all of this change.

The twists and turns of the CCPA class action

21 MAY 2019

The range of data elements whose breach could give rise to class-action exposure under the CCPA appears likely to grow.

The error of trials: Legal considerations when deploying AI in drug development

21 May 2019

Trial and error – with the vast majority of trials ending in error – has long been the default method of drug discovery.

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.

Trump issues Executive Order on securing information and communications technology and services – key points

16 MAY 2019

The order is issued pursuant to the National Emergencies Act and the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, the latter creating potential civil and criminal liability for those violating EOs and regulations issued under its authority - liabilities that can expand to include those who facilitate a violation.

Intellectual Property and Technology News (Asia Pacific) May 2019

15 MAY 2019

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EU Impact - Issue 4/2019

10 MAY 2019

With only two weeks left until the European elections of 23-26 May 2019, Europeans find themselves at the beginning of a months-long period of crucial transformations that are expected to significantly impact citizens and businesses in the medium- and long term.

Israel Group News May 2019

9 MAY 2019

ISRAEL GROUP NEWS

In this issue, our global activities, latest publications, coming events and more.

Washington state HB 1450 is signed into law, limiting enforceability of non-compete agreements – key takeaways

9 MAY 2019

The new prohibitions on non-compete agreements in Washington have the potential to greatly impact employers in the state both positively and negatively.

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.

UAE issues new law regulating data in the health sector

7 MAY 2019

The UAE federal government has issued Federal Law No. 2 of 2019 On the Use of the Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in Health Fields. The objectives of this law are to ensure the optimal use of ICT in health fields and ensure safety and security of health data and information. It is to be supplemented by implementing regulations.

Collaboration in Financial Services - Regulation and Challenges

3 MAY 2019

One of the most noticeable recent trends in financial services is the number of collaboration which are taking place between FinTechs and banks. As banks have been transforming to increasingly drive business through digital channels, they have sought to partner with FinTechs to accelerate the pace of change.

The DLA Piper eSports Law Booklet is now published

2 MAY 2019

The eSports market is the new frontier of gaming and all the major gaming, sports, media and gambling companies as well as event organizers are considerably investing in everything that revolves around this world.

The Danish Medicines Agency recognised by the United States Food and Drug Administration to carry out Good

Manufacturing Practice inspections

1. May 2019

On 16 November 2018, the United States (US) Food and Drug Administration (FDA) confirmed the capability of the Danish Medicines Agency to carry out Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) inspections at a level equivalent to that of the FDA, which adds Denmark to the list of recognised countries under the Mutual Recognition Agreement between the European Union (EU) and the U.S.

Washington state seeks repeal of Electronic Authorization Act

30 APR 2019

Washington state moves steadily toward recognizing ESIGN

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.

Digital asset regulation: SEC suggests possible path from security to non-security

25 APR 2019

Examining the concept that digital assets can reach a tipping point – an “evolutionary moment” in their development – where they transform from a security to a non-security.

Blockchain and Digital Assets News and Trends

24 APR 2019

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The inaugural issue looks at the SEC’s Digital Guidance Framework and No Action Letter and covers the latest legal developments in blockchain technology, smart contracts and digital assets.

TechLaw Podcast: How tech is shaping the future of retail

23 APR 2019

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Chloe Forster is joined by Liliana Danila and James Martin, both from the British Retail Consortium, to discuss the impact tech is having on the retail experience in episode 20 of our TechLaw podcast series.

Innovation and Technology Task Force to consider the future of anti-rebating laws

23 APR 2019

A recommendation to repeal or materially revise antirebating laws could be one of the most significant reforms in insurance regulatory law in many years.

Isn't the whole point of a black box to tell you exactly what happened? AI's explainability conundrum.

19 April 2019

Sitting at 36,000 feet over the Atlantic writing this article, I'm unusually aware of the traditional use of the phrase "black box:" an aircraft's flight data recorder, there to let investigators understand what went awry should the worst happen. It seems odd that a device whose purpose is to provide an explanation should so often be called upon as a metaphor for the unexplainable.

Tech law making 101

17 APR 2019

Our alert highlights the lack of technology laws in Australia and the rush to pass the *Criminal Code Amendment (Sharing of Abhorrent Violent Material) Act 2019* (Cth) after less than 1 hour of parliamentary debate.

Unpacking the SEC's Digital Assets Guidance Framework and No Action Letter

16 APR 2019

The Framework describes factors for assessing whether digital assets are "investment contracts" subject to federal securities laws; the No Action letter applies those factors.

TechLaw Podcast: The Future of Cryptoassets

15 APR 2019

[TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES](#)

Regulation and policy expert in the field of FinTech, Teana Baker-Taylor from Global Digital Finance, discusses the latest regulatory developments around cryptoassets with one of our partners, Bryony Widdup.

TechLaw Podcast: The Future of FinTech

15 APR 2019

[TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES](#)

What's next for FinTech? Giles Andrews, Co-Founder of Zopa, looks to the future with our International Group Head of Finance, Projects & Restructuring and FinTech Global Co-Chair, Martin Bartlam, in episode 18 of our TechLaw podcast.

2019 IFA Annual Convention

11 APR 2019

The International Franchise Association (IFA) held its 59th Annual Convention in Las Vegas from February 24-27, 2019.

Q1 Editor's Column

11 APR 2019

Welcome to our 41st issue, marking the 10th anniversary of *IPT News*.

EU Policy & Regulatory Alert - EU Publishes Artificial Intelligence Ethics Guidelines

12 APR 2019

On 8 April 2019, the EU's High-Level Expert Group ("AI HLEG") on Artificial Intelligence ("AI") published the much-anticipated "Ethics Guidelines for Trustworthy AI", setting out a horizontal framework for the development and deployment of ethical and robust AI systems across the EU

Recognized as one of the best firms for client service

11 APR 2019

BTI Consulting's 2019 Client Service A-Team rankings report names DLA Piper as one of the best law firms for providing a superior level of client service.

DLA Piper's sixth annual Global IP Symposium in Japan

11 APR 2019

Our Intellectual Property and Technology group recently hosted its Sixth Annual Global IP Symposium in Japan.

Intellectual Property and Technology News (North America), Issue 41, Q1 2019

11 APR 2019

[INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND TECHNOLOGY NEWS SERIES](#)

Our Intellectual Property and Technology News reports on worldwide developments in IP and technology law, offering perspectives, analysis and visionary ideas.

CCPA vs. GDPR: the same, only different

11 APR 2019

Businesses that have undertaken GDPR compliance will have an advantage in addressing CCPA, but those efforts alone won't suffice.

DLA Piper welcomes seasoned data privacy lawyer Tracy Shapiro

11 APR 2019

DLA Piper recently welcomed seasoned data privacy lawyer Tracy Shapiro as a partner in Northern California.

28 DLA Piper lawyers in 10 countries ranked among The World's Leading Trademark Professionals

11 APR 2019

The World's Leading Trademark Professionals 2019 names 28 DLA Piper lawyers from 10 countries to its list of top trademark professionals.

So you want to go digital...

11 APR 2019

This article assists businesses in identifying the core issues that must be addressed to ensure the legal sufficiency of transactions conducted on eSignature platforms.

TechLaw Podcast: The opportunities and challenges of digital transformation across the private and public sectors - Part 2

09 APR 2019

[TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES](#)

DLA Piper's Chloe Forster and Gary Barnett of Global Data Plc conclude their discussion on digital transformation in the second part of episode 17 of our TechLaw podcast.

FDIC highlights common deficiencies in technology vendor contracts

5 APR 2019

An indicator that not only the FDIC but other regulators may focus more intently on ambiguity of roles and rights in bank contracts during future examinations.

TechLaw Podcast: The opportunities and challenges of digital transformation across the private and public sectors - Part 1

03 APR 2019

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The future of DOD contracting

1 APR 2019

A review of an array of factors, from commercial buying and cybersecurity to "Other Transaction" authority and the recently established Army Futures Command.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

30 APR 2019

ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS

In this issue, Washington state moves closer to ESIGN, plus the latest developments from the legislatures, the regulators and the courts.

EU Impact - Issue 3/2019

29 MAR 2019

Monthly update on the latest EU policy and regulatory developments relevant for your sector

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

29 MAR 2019

ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS

In this issue, the new prepaid rule may affect virtual currency wallet providers, plus the latest developments from the legislatures, the regulators and the courts.

As new prepaid rule takes effect, virtual currency wallet providers need to take notice

29 MAR 2019

While much focus has been on how the new rule impacts traditional prepaid card issuers, the Prepaid Rule is sufficiently broad that it could apply to virtual currency wallets.

Bahrain Introduces Regulations On 'Crypto-Assets'

28 MAR 2019

The Central Bank of Bahrain ("CBB") has published a new Module on 'Crypto-Assets' ("CRA Module"). The CRA Module has been published as part of the CBB's recent initiative to nurture Bahrain's FinTech ecosystem and to help mitigate against the risk of financial crime and illegal use of crypto-assets within or from Bahrain.

EU Policy & Regulatory Update - European Parliament Adopts EU Copyright Reform

28 MAR 2019

Following two and a half years of negotiations and unprecedented public attention, the European Parliament adopted the controversial EU copyright reform in its plenary session on 26 March 2019.

Zapowiedź opodatkowania usług cyfrowych świadczonych przez największe firmy z branży technologicznej

28 MAR 2019

In-venue streaming and broadcasting of live sporting events – key legal issues for sports clubs and leagues

25 MAR 2019

Approaches to consider for US sporting event organizers seeking to combat peer-to-peer broadcasting of live events.

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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18 Mar 2019

DOJ relaxes stance on personal communications and ephemeral messaging platforms in enforcement policy amendment

13 MAR 2019

While allowing greater flexibility, this change requires enhancements to compliance programs.

Luxembourg Data Protection Supervisory Authority confirms mandatory Data Protection Impact Assessments (DPIA), prompting companies to review their internal compliance

13 MAR 2019

While GDPR has been in full force since 25 May 2018, the Luxembourg Data Protection Supervisory Authority (the CNPD) has only on 11 March 2019 published its long-awaited list detailing the different data processing operations requiring a mandatory prior DPIA (the Requirements).

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11 Mar 2019

Patent case filings surge in the WDTX

11 MAR 2019

Soon after Judge Alan Albright was nominated, and accelerating considerably since his confirmation, patent case filings have spiked in the WDTX.

Given the treatment: The Therapeutic Goods Advertising Code 2018

8 MAR 2019

Late last year, the *Therapeutic Goods Advertising Code (No. 2) 2018 (New TGA Code)* was enacted as the code that regulates advertising of therapeutic goods to consumers in Australia. Read our summary of the regulatory framework for the advertising of therapeutic goods in Australia, key changes under the New TGA Code that came into effect on 1 January 2019 and penalties for non-compliance.

EU Impact - Issue 2/2019

4 MAR 2019

Monthly update on the latest EU policy and regulatory developments relevant for your sector

New Year, New Regulations: Cyberspace Administration of China launches new blockchain regulatory framework

4 MAR 2019

You may need to comply with new regulations if you use Blockchain technology to conduct your business in mainland China. The "Regulations for Managing Blockchain Information Service" take effect on 15 February 2019. The new regulations encourage Blockchain industry organisations to enhance self-discipline and establish sound industry standards.

The Final EBA Outsourcing Guidelines

28 FEB 2019

The European Banking Authority has published its Final Report on EBA Draft Guidelines on outsourcing arrangements. The Guidelines are relevant to UK banks, building societies, designated investment firms and IFPRU investment firms.

Introduction to FinTech: A Middle East Perspective

28 FEB 2019

Innovation and technology-related topics are likened to an alphabet soup of acronyms and buzzwords. To help lift the veil and demystify these topics, we have produced a series of short articles to assist that examine these topics through the lens of a Middle East lawyer. These articles are intended as an introduction to in-house legal counsel based in the region.

DLA Piper in Latin America: 2018 in review

28 FEB 2019

While challenges always lie ahead, we are excited by the region's continuing growth.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

28 FEB 2019

ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS

In this issue, digitally complying with data breach notification laws, plus the latest developments from the legislatures, the regulators and the courts.

Digitally complying with data breach notification laws: a little planning goes a long way

28 FEB 2019

Can you send an electronic data breach notice?

OECD issues far-reaching proposals for restructuring the international tax framework to address the challenges caused by the digitalization of the economy

26 FEB 2019

Proposals being considered by the OECD's 128 Inclusive Framework members for tackling the tax challenges arising from digitalization of the economy.

Data privacy law: the top global developments in 2018 and what 2019 may bring

25 FEB 2019

In 2018, the world saw numerous significant privacy law developments, a trend that is continuing in 2019.

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?

Five ways to proactively develop and protect your brand in Australia

21 FEB 2019

Inadvertent infringement or issues with registering a core trademark have the potential to stall the growth trajectory of a business. In this article, we look at five ways to proactively develop and protect a brand in the Australian market.

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.

Israel Group News

12 FEB 2019

ISRAEL GROUP NEWS

In this issue, the rise of the Data Protection Officer, plus news and coming events.

Keeping watch on smartphone app payments in China

7 FEB 2019

Now could be a good time to think about the level of transparency your company may have in connection with smartphone app payments by your employees.

DLA Piper GDPR data breach survey: February 2019

6 FEB 2019

On 25 May 2018 new data breach notification laws came into force across Europe which fundamentally changed the risk profile for organizations suffering a personal data breach.

Under the EU General Data Protection Regulation - 'GDPR' - personal data breaches which are likely to result in a risk of harm to affected individuals must be notified to data regulators. Where the breach is likely to result in a high risk of harm, affected individuals must also be notified.

Contracting for Transformative Benefits

06 FEB 2019

Much of the talk in the sourcing market is - and has been over the past couple of years - about transformation, especially of the digital nature. For some, any initiative under the digital transformation banner is seen as the panacea to numerous business and operational challenges.

The Financial Services Royal Commission Report: The DLA Piper Heat Map

5 FEB 2019

The impact of the Royal Commission into Financial Services in Australia will ripple out into the broader corporate environment. Please click [here](#) to download the DLA Piper heat map as a guide to help you understand how the Royal Commission's findings may affect not just financial services, but all Australian businesses.

Here Comes The Sun...?

5 FEB 2019

The Financial Services Royal Commission and technology implications.

Fairness by Design

31 JAN 2019

The "net impression" created by the consumer's entire online interaction with a site will be reviewed by regulators and the courts

when evaluating regulatory compliance.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

31 JAN 2019

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

In this issue, Fairness by Design, plus the latest developments from the legislatures, the regulators and the courts.

Agreements to agree: Did you contract to agree or disagree?

25 JAN 2019

"Agreements to agree" are a commercial fact of life for businesses, particularly those involved in long term contracts, such as research and development agreements in the life sciences or industrial sectors, complex technology contracts, or energy and resources supply arrangements.

US and Australian regulators enter into FinTech cooperation agreement

24 JAN 2019

At the heart of the agreement is a desire to enhance mutual understanding about FinTech regulatory issues, identify market developments, promote innovation and encourage use of technology in market oversight.

EU Policy & Regulatory Update: First Designations under EU's Chemical Weapons Sanctions Regime

24 JAN 2019

On 21 January 2019, the Council of the European Union (EU) adopted Decision (CFSP) 2019/86 amending Decision (CFSP) 2018/1544 concerning restrictive measures against the proliferation and use of chemical weapons, listing nine individuals and one entity under the EU's Chemical Weapons Sanctions regime.

TechLaw Podcast: Cloud computing, cybersecurity & supercomputers; a changeable future

22 JAN 2019

[TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES](#)

Is cloud computing the new norm? Jan Meents & Dirk Scheumann discuss cloud strategies & solutions in the changing IT landscape in episode 16 of our TechLaw podcast.

Assistance and Access Act, December 2018 - Uncertainty created by new rushed-in data encryption laws

17 JAN 2019

In Australia, amendments to the Telecommunications Act 1997 were made in December 2018 by issuing the Telecommunications and Other Legislation Amendment (Assistance and Access) Bill 2018 (Cth). Our article outlines the amendments, what public concerns and lessons learnt from the UK Investigatory Powers Act 2016 and GDPR.

TechLaw Podcast: Breaking new ground: the revolution of the crypto asset lending marketplace

15 JAN 2019

[TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES](#)

Can traditional lending be paralleled in the digital asset space? In episode 15 of our TechLaw podcast, Bryony Widdup & Linda Wang, Co-Founder of Lendingblock, examine how the cryptocurrency market is redefining securities lending.

EU Policy & Regulatory Update - EU Adds Three Iranian Persons to EU Terrorist List

14 JAN 2019

On 8 January 2019, the Council of the European Union (EU) adopted Decision (CFSP) 2019/25 amending and updating the list of persons, groups and entities subject to Articles 2, 3 and 4 of Common Position 2001/931/CFSP.

5 antitrust trends to watch in 2019

14 JAN 2019

2018 was a memorable year for antitrust law and all signs point to 2019 being equally memorable.

TechLaw Podcast: Managing risks & creating opportunities: Technology's role in the human rights agenda

08 JAN 2019

[TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES](#)

What role can technology play when business and human rights agendas converge? DLA Piper's, Sarah Ellington and Dr Christine Chow of Hermes EOS analyse the new opportunities for tech in the latest episode of our DLA Piper TechLaw podcast.

2018: the year in privacy

3 JAN 2019

A landmark year in state consumer privacy legislation.

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.

IP Litigation Powerhouse

21 DEC 2018

BTI's *Litigation Outlook* names DLA Piper an "IP Litigation Powerhouse," a "Standout" and "Complex Commercial Litigation Powerhouse."

Q4 Editor's Column

21 DEC 2018

This quarter's issue of *IPT News* ...

CCPA: risk of class actions makes early preparation imperative

21 DEC 2018

Failure to address risk mitigation now could lead to significant liability if a company is breached following the CCPA's January 1, 2020 effective date.

The Music Modernization Act: stronger protections for artists and publishers

21 DEC 2018

The MMA revamps the Copyright Act in three major aspects.

DLA Piper Sponsors Seventh Annual ChIPs Global Summit 2018

21 DEC 2018

DLA Piper was a platinum sponsor of the seventh annual ChIPs Global Summit 2018.

Taking part in 2018 ANA/BAA Marketing Law Conference

21 DEC 2018

Ben Mulcahy and Gina Reif Ilardi actively participated in the 2018 Association of National Advertisers/Brand Activation Association Marketing Law Conference in Chicago.

Intellectual Property and Technology News (North America), Issue 40, Q4 2018

21 DEC 2018

[INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND TECHNOLOGY NEWS SERIES](#)

Our Intellectual Property and Technology News reports on worldwide developments in IP and technology law, offering perspectives, analysis and visionary ideas.

12th Annual Women in IP Law Seminar on patents and big data

21 DEC 2018

DLA Piper's Intellectual Property and Technology group hosted its twelfth annual Women in IP Law CLE Luncheon at the Four

Seasons Silicon Valley in November.

Alice in Wonderland: navigating the strange world of patenting AI

21 DEC 2018

Like the bottle labeled DRINK ME, certain techniques can make the trip through the AI-patent rabbit hole more scalable.

EU Impact: Monthly update on the latest EU policy and regulatory developments relevant for your sector

21 DEC 2018

Edition 12 of our monthly update on the latest EU policy and regulatory developments

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

20 DEC 2018

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

In this issue, digitally transforming your business – the year's big legal and regulatory developments and breaking news.

Technology and the rise of the smart city

18 DEC 2018

With Australia's population expanding at a rapid rate, especially around the east coast hubs of Sydney and Melbourne, and the infrastructure and facilities in those cities already stretched, there has never been a better time to consider alternative approaches to urban development.

Episode 13: Not just doom & gloom - Technology's positive impact on the retail sector.

18 DEC 2018

[TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES](#)

Can retail's biggest threat also be its biggest opportunity? In episode 13 of our TechLaw Podcast Chloe Forster, Ruth Hoy and Gurpreet Duhra analyse tech's role in the changing retail landscape.

TechLaw Podcast: Data, capital and talent: Analysing FinTech's biggest Brexit risks - Part 2

13 DEC 2018

[TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES](#)

How does Brexit affect Big Data and what can businesses do to mitigate the risk of added friction and dual regulations? In part 2 of our conversation with Bankable CEO, Eric Mouilleron, Paul Hardy and Richard Bonnar explore the regulatory challenges that the tech sector could encounter as a result of the UK's withdrawal from the European Union.

TechLaw Podcast: Data, capital and talent: Analysing FinTech's biggest Brexit risks - Part 1

11 DEC 2018

[TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES](#)

Will Brexit lead to a tech talent exodus? Will data movement grind to a halt? DLA Piper's Paul Hardy & Richard Bonnar analyse all scenarios with Bankable CEO, Eric Moulleron, in episode 12 of our TechLaw podcast.

Top of mind: Litigation

10 DEC 2018

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

DOJ tells SCOTUS it plans to seek to dismiss a major *qui tam* action because burdensome FCA discovery would not be in the public interest

6 DEC 2018

The DOJ's filing is a significant development for FCA defendants and may portend more dismissals to come.

Global Anticorruption Newsletter

5 DEC 2018

DLA Piper's *Global Anticorruption Newsletter* offers practical guidance on complying with international bribery laws.

TechLaw Podcast: The Series A Round: "The who, what, where, why and how much" the Vita Mojo Revolution Part 2

04 DEC 2018

[TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES](#)

In Part 2 of our interview with Vita Mojo co-founder, Stefan Catoi, Dylan and Stefan discusses his experience regarding their recently announced £10m Series A round and the rapidly evolving world of the foodtech industry.

The European Data Protection Board issues long-awaited guidelines on the territorial scope of the GDPR

30 NOV 2018

Among other provisions, the Guidelines concern GDPR's application to entities in the EU even when they process personal data of persons outside the EU.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

30 NOV 2018

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

In this issue, a fintech Q&A with the team, plus the latest developments from the legislatures, the regulators and the courts

TechLaw Podcast: Ultra-personalisation and the Vita Mojo Revolution Part 1

28 NOV 2018

[TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES](#)

DLA Piper associate, Dylan Kennett, is joined by Vita Mojo co-founder and Deloitte Fast 50 Rising Star award winner, Stefan Catoi to discuss personalisation and automation in the food industry.

Device manufacturers have a little over a year to prepare for the first state law regulating the security of Internet of Things devices

27 NOV 2018

California law will require manufacturers of most Internet of Things and Bluetooth connected devices to implement one or more "reasonable security features" by January 1, 2020.

BIS wants your help with emerging technology export controls

26 NOV 2018

The Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) has issued an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM) requesting public comment on identifying "emerging technology."

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 SERIES](#)

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.

EU Policy & Regulatory Alert: New Regulation on Foreign Direct Investment Screening in the EU

22 NOV 2018

The European Union is moving fast towards establishing a joint regulatory and policy framework for Europeans to seize the opportunities provided by Artificial Intelligence (AI) and to reinforce Europe's competitiveness in this field.

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.

Embrace the future: How technology is transforming legal practice

20 NOV 2018

In this podcast, Stéphane discusses how technology is transforming the legal landscape. He shares his experiences of the way the legal and IP ecosystems interact with technology and why practitioners must embrace technology sooner rather than later "to remain relevant and efficient".

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.

Security breach notification and reporting requirements are now in force under Canada's *PIPEDA*

13 NOV 2018

PIPEDA's obligations are now in force, including detailed regulations relating to breach notification and reporting. *PIPEDA* may apply to US organizations when there is a "real and substantial connection" with Canada.

ICO publishes draft Regulatory Action Policy

8 NOV 2018

Following the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA18) coming into force on 25 May 2018, the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) (the UK's data regulator) has refreshed its Regulatory Action Policy.

Supply chain human rights risk management: Blockchain and emerging technology

8 NOV 2018

Global businesses, financiers and investors are faced with an increasingly complex and interconnected legal, financial and reputation risk agenda related to human rights and other responsible business conduct issues.

Spanish government to introduce new digital services tax

1 NOV 2018

The proposed DST will apply only when the user's digital devices are located in Spain.

BIS proposes export restrictions on electronic waste

30 OCT 2018

The Bureau of Industry and Security has proposed new export restrictions on electronic waste.

How technical touchpoints can ensnare foreign cryptocurrency companies

29 OCT 2018

Useful guideposts for overseas companies assessing whether they are exposed to US securities laws.

UK Budget 2018

29 OCT 2018

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

UK Budget 2018: IPT

29 OCT 2018

Earlier today, the Chancellor delivered the 2018 UK Budget. He repeated the Government's commitment to attracting investment and business to the UK, for example by reducing the corporation tax rate from 19% (already the lowest in the G20) to 17% in 2020, and by continuing tax reliefs to support the creative sectors. We set out below some of today's other announcements that may be of interest in respect of business intellectual property and technology.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

26 OCT 2018

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

In this issue, obtaining remote epayment authorizations from customers – are you in compliance? Plus the latest legislative and regulatory news.

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

26 OCT 2018

The consequences of non-compliance can be significant.

Israel Group News

24 OCT 2018

[ISRAEL GROUP NEWS](#)

In this issue, legal developments worldwide that affect this dynamic ecosystem.

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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22 Oct 2018

European parliament adopts resolution on distributed ledger technologies and blockchains

22 OCT 2018

On 3 October 2018, the European Parliament adopted a non-legislative resolution on distributed ledger technology (DLT) and blockchain. The resolution discusses potential benefits from the application of DLT in various sectors of the economy, including financial services, and sets out the suggested regulatory approach.

Record-breaking \$16 million settlement for potential HIPAA violations

22 OCT 2018

The settlement should be viewed as a clear message that OCR will continue to enforce HIPAA vigorously in the Trump era.

CFIUS pilot program mandates declarations for certain non-controlling investments in critical technologies

17 OCT 2018

The pilot program covers critical technologies in 27 industries.

Recent Landmark Case on Comparative Advertising in Hong Kong

12 OCT 2018

On 5 September 2018, the Hong Kong Court of First Instance handed down a significant win to Hong Kong Broadband Network Limited (HKBN) in dismissing a trade mark infringement claim brought against it by the PCCW-HKT group (PCCW). The case is the first decision the Hong Kong Court has made on section 21 of the Trade Mark Ordinance (Cap. 559) (TMO) and provided important guidance on the use of trademarks in the context of comparative advertising.

HKBN was represented by the legal team from DLA Piper Hong Kong led by May Ng, Partner, assisted by Queenie Chan, Associate.

First phase of Abu Dhabi Dual Licence Initiative launched

10 OCT 2018

Abu Dhabi Department of Economic Development (DED) has launched the first phase of its Dual Licence Initiative which will enable free zone companies to obtain a dual licence, allowing for the registration of an onshore branch without proceeding through the full branch registration process.

Digital Transformation in Financial Services white paper

10 OCT 2018

How do industry insiders see financial services evolving: which will be the real game-changers, and are institutions and regulators keeping pace?

Section 301 additional tariffs on imports of Chinese products: options for high tech and manufacturing companies

3 OCT 2018

Additional tariffs of 10 percent or 25 percent have been imposed on three different lists of thousands of imports from China. Companies can request exclusion from these tariffs.

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

California mandates female board directors for publicly held companies

1 OCT 2018

California becomes the first state in the US to mandate gender diversity in the corporate boardroom, but the law may face legal challenges.

Q3 Editor's Column

27 SEP 2018

This quarter's issue of *IPT News* discusses some emerging technologies and their intersection with intellectual property law.

DLA Piper hosts clients at INTA Annual Meeting in Seattle

27 SEP 2018

More than 10,000 trademark professionals and brand owners from around the world took part in the 140th International Trademark Association Annual Meeting.

Intellectual Property and Technology News (Asia Pacific) September 2018

27 SEP 2018

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

Intellectual Property and Technology News (North America), Issue 39, Q3 2018

27 SEP 2018

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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.

Copyright in esports: a top-heavy power structure, but is it legally sound?

27 SEP 2018

Central to the esports industry are novel intellectual property issues arising from the structure of the esports ecosystem.

Embedding content: uncertainty about the Copyright Statute undermines digital media

27 SEP 2018

Companies creating digital content have to more carefully weigh the potential risks of embedding copyrighted content into their sites.

Ben Mulcahy and Gina Reif Ilardi recognized in *Variety's 2018 Legal Impact Report*

27 SEP 2018

Benjamin Mulcahy and Gina Reif Ilardi have been recognized in the *2018 Variety Legal Impact Report*.

32 DLA Piper lawyers in 8 countries ranked among world's top patent professionals

27 SEP 2018

IAM Patent 1000: The World's Leading Patent Professionals 2018 has named 32 DLA Piper lawyers to its seventh list.

Argentina introduces VAT on digital services

24 SEP 2018

VAT is triggered by the "digital services" rendered by a non-resident to a resident individual or entity, when the effective use or exploitation of the service takes place inside Argentina.

Podcast: How technology is transforming financial services

21 SEP 2018

Martin Bartlam, International Group Head of Finance & Projects and FinTech Global Co-Chair at DLA Piper, is joined today by Chet Behl, group general council of the New Payment System Operator and Khalid Talukder from IFX Payments to discuss digital transformation in financial services.

Four tips for an effective eDiscovery plan in China

19 SEP 2018

A timely and well-documented eDiscovery plan, comprehensively addressing compliance with local laws, can also go a long way to address potential post-collection inquiries.

EDNY: US securities laws can be used to prosecute ICO fraud

18 SEP 2018

While the order allows the criminal prosecution to advance, it does not settle the investment contract debate.

Bahrain Publishes Personal Data Protection Law

17 SEP 2018

Bahrain's newly introduced Personal Data Protection Law represents a paradigm shift for how businesses collect, process, transfer and store the personal data of individuals. In this article, we set out the obligations that are now imposed upon businesses and the consequences of noncompliance.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

14 SEP 2018

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

In this issue, remote notarization – US state requirements, plus blockchain, the new stablecoin, the validity of esignatures, and more.

Remote notarization: authentication requirements, by US state

14 SEP 2018

A high-level summary of remote notarization laws by US state.

California amends Consumer Privacy Act to clarify exemptions and fix some technical deficiencies, but significant work remains

10 SEP 2018

SB 1121 clarifies only a handful of the dozens of drafting ambiguities and drafting errors in the CCPA.

Innovative development of Ukraine

15 AUG 2018

Recently DLA Piper together with Innolytics Group, Singularity University and Unit City conducted a research on innovations in Ukraine based on patent and international scientific databases.

FIRREA, reforming CFIUS process, is signed into law

13 AUG 2018

FIRREA will now broadly take effect with respect to any covered transaction whose review or investigation is initiated on or after August 13, 2018.

OCC supplements process for fintechs seeking to become Special Purpose National Banks: key takeaways

7 AUG 2018

An SPNB will be subject to the laws, rules, regulations and federal supervision that apply to all national banks as well as additional requirements, meaning that becoming an SPNB is a very substantial undertaking.

Payment Systems Regulator announces market review

1 AUG 2018

On 24 July the Payment Systems Regulator announced that it is to carry out a market review into the supply of card-acquiring services in the UK. It is therefore essential that the acquiring community participates in the planned consultation.

Congress finalizes CFIUS reform bill to broaden national security reviews of foreign investments

25 JUL 2018

A summary of the major changes FIRREA presents to the CFIUS review process.

The tide turns: If your company is doing business in the US, it may soon be required to collect state sales taxes

24 JUL 2018

Companies selling online products and services to customers in US states may soon be required to register, collect and remit

taxes in those states.

Electronic Signatures: The element of intent in the digital environment

23 JUL 2018

Failure to establish intent means that while the person's actions may manifest assent to, or agreement with, a record, the record has not been signed.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

23 JUL 2018

ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS

This regular publication from DLA Piper aims to help companies identify significant news and legal developments impacting digital transactions.

First judicial finding that digital tokens are securities

16 JUL 2018

But the precedential value of this finding remains an open question.

Super-apps complicate corporate compliance, pose heightened risks under FCPA Corporate Enforcement Policy

10 JUL 2018

Super-apps allow seamless interaction between colleagues, customers, suppliers and other business parties. In some jurisdictions, local employees communicate exclusively via such apps – but this conduct presents grave legal, compliance and risk-management challenges.

New changes to California's Automatic Renewal Law

5 JUL 2018

The newly amended ARL puts into effect additional requirements to what is arguably the country's stiffest consumer-protection law focused on subscription-style plans.

Artificial Intelligence, Robotics and Automation Brochure

5 JUL 2018

An insight on the potential benefits and challenges of implementing AI, RPA and robotics within a business.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

29 JUN 2018

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In this issue, is your website ADA compliant? Plus news on federal and state law, federal and state regulatory activities, fresh judicial precedent and more.

Is your website ADA compliant? A brief look at the current legal status

29 JUN 2018

Websites too face regulatory issues around compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and other rules involving accessibility and accommodation.

Events

28 JUN 2018

More than 50 guests attended DLA Piper's reception during the International Association of Privacy Professionals.

Honors

28 JUN 2018

Mark Fowler was named one of *Daily Journal's* Top IP Lawyers and a *National Law Journal Trailblazer*, and Edward "Smitty" Smith was named to World Economic Forum's 2018 class of Young Global Leaders.

Online gaming and gambling are changing

28 JUN 2018

Two recent federal court decisions have disrupted the online and mobile gaming and gambling industry in the United States. Shifts are taking place in other jurisdictions as well.

Q2 Editor's Column

28 JUN 2018

In this issue, we take a look at audit logs for enforcing digital signatures, changes in online gaming and gambling, and patent ensnarement.

Audit logs: key to enforceable electronic signatures

28 JUN 2018

Audit logs serve a number of purposes, and a particularly vital role when the authenticity of an electronic signature is in dispute.

DLA Piper expands media, sport and entertainment capabilities

28 JUN 2018

DLA Piper recently welcomed Benjamin Mulcahy and Gina Reif Ilardi to the firm's IPT practice.

Supreme Court Corner Q2 2018

28 JUN 2018

Key Supreme Court decisions in the copyright and patent areas.

News from our Franchise team

28 JUN 2018

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

Intellectual Property and Technology News (North America), Issue 38, Q2 2018

28 JUN 2018

[INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND TECHNOLOGY NEWS SERIES](#)

Our Intellectual Property and Technology News reports on worldwide developments in IP and technology law, offering perspectives, analysis and visionary ideas.

Tamany Bentz joins DLA Piper's Trademark, Copyright and Media Group in Los Angeles

28 JUN 2018

Tamany Bentz has joined the firm's Intellectual Property and Technology practice as a partner in our Los Angeles office.

California privacy law poised to alter US privacy landscape

28 JUN 2018

A major development in privacy law.

Grace Koh joins DLA Piper's Telecom practice in Washington, DC

28 JUN 2018

Grace Koh joins our Telecom team and will look to address a range of legislative and regulatory issues related to US public policy on emerging technologies and telecommunications.

China data and cyber: New guidelines you need to know

28 JUN 2018

In the last two weeks the Chinese authorities have been busy providing much-anticipated guidance on the practical steps organisations must take to comply with the new data protection, cybersecurity and technology regulations.

DLA Piper adds Clayton Thompson and Jake Zolotorev to its Patent Litigation practice in Silicon Valley

28 JUN 2018

Clayton Thompson and Yakov "Jake" Zolotorev have re-joined the firm's Intellectual Property and Technology practice as Patent Litigation partners in Northern California.

EU Policy and Regulatory update: A European approach to Artificial Intelligence

18 JUN 2018

The European Union is moving fast towards establishing a joint regulatory and policy framework for Europeans to seize the opportunities provided by Artificial Intelligence (AI) and to reinforce Europe's competitiveness in this field.

Russia's new VAT rules on cross-border e-commerce services: key points for B2B service providers

14 JUN 2018

Russia has introduced new value-added tax (VAT) rules pertaining to certain cross-border e-commerce services.

The rise of the "Crypto Czar," the fall of a "blockchain evangelist," and other crypto developments

12 JUNE 2018

Three legal developments and their implications for the blockchain and cryptocurrency communities.

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Time to update your Singapore data protection compliance programme

30 MAY 2018

If you handle Singapore personal data - whether inside or outside of Singapore - you need to review and update your data protection compliance programme in light of recent developments and imminent changes.

May a power of attorney be electronically executed?

24 MAY 2018

Exploring the relationship between a power of attorney and the state and federal laws governing the use of electronic records and signatures.

Asian businesses will be impacted by new EU data protection regulation

24 MAY 2018

The territoriality of the new European data protection framework will be significantly extended once the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) comes into force on May 25, 2018, potentially impacting Asian companies doing business in the EU. Given the heavy sanctions (up to €20 million or 4 percent of the annual global turnover, whichever is higher) and the risk of reputational damage for non-compliance, businesses in Asia need to get up to speed with the GDPR requirements to adapt their practices and strategy accordingly.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

24 MAY 2018

[ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

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What can Al Capone teach us about business and human rights?

23 MAY 2018

You may well ask - how on earth can a mafia capo in Chicago from the early 20th century have anything to do with Business and Human Rights in the 21st century?

Chinese businesses cannot afford to ignore new EU data rules

21 MAY 2018

From May 25 2018, non-compliance with the new EU General Data Protection Regulation ("GDPR") could lead to fines of RMB150 million or 4% of your annual global group turnover, along with significant reputational damage and adverse publicity.

从2018年5月25日起, 不遵守欧盟新的《一般信息保护条例》(“GDPR”)可能会导致人民币1.5亿元人民币或集团全球全年营业额4%的罚款, 以及严重的声誉损害和不利的宣传。

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 SERIES

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.

How one New York court is shaping the future of cryptocurrency regulation

17 MAY 2018

Cases with far-reaching implications for the cryptocurrency regulatory landscape.

Using drones at US sporting events: what do I need to know?

10 MAY 2018

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has adopted a number of regulations governing the operation of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) in the national airspace of the United States. As UAS use becomes more prevalent, a review of the agency's specific policies regarding the use of these aircrafts around sporting events is necessary to ensure that operations maintain compliance with the applicable rules.

Global Trend: Smart Buildings

9 MAY 2018

The real estate sector has recently been marked by the advent of "PropTech". PropTech (or property technology) has been described as a "new explosive wave of innovation", seeing start-up companies pioneer technological products to address a range of inefficiencies in the property market. For example, Airbnb and BuyMyPlace are among the most prominent PropTech inventions (or "disruptors"), which have transformed the traditional property leasing and purchasing markets.

eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

2 MAY 2018

ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS

This bulletin is the first in a series aiming to help companies identify important and significant news and legal developments impacting digital offerings.

A short primer on applicable US eSignature laws

2 MAY 2018

Two bodies of law in the US govern the legality of electronic signatures and electronic records: E-SIGN and UETA. Here is a quick look at each of them, plus notes on other selected laws governing digital transactions.

A short primer on applicable US eSignature laws

2 MAY 2018

Two bodies of law in the United States generally govern the legality of electronic signatures and electronic records: the Electronic Signature in Global and National Commerce Act (E-SIGN) and state adoption of the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act (UETA). Here is a quick look at each of them, plus notes on other selected laws governing digital transactions.

In long-awaited TCPA case, DC appellate panel vacates material sections of FCC's 2015 TCPA order

2 MAY 2018

Because of the federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act (E-SIGN) and equivalent state laws, companies are delivering important disclosures and other information that traditionally needed to be presented "in writing" electronically instead. In addition, the medium of choice for communicating with consumers electronically is rapidly migrating from email to text messaging. As a result, understanding the requirements of the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA) are a must. This edition's Insight looks at the most recent judicial examination of the FCC's interpretation of the TCPA.

DoD suggests flexibility with cybersecurity compliance deadline

30 APR 2018

Cautious optimism that DoD may be more flexible and reasonable than anticipated about the implementation process.

Once more unto the breach: Canada's PIPEDA breach notification and reporting regulations in force November 1, 2018

30 APR 2018

Organizations have about seven months to get ready for compliance.

Multinationals take note: tax changes in Oman and considerations for foreign investors

24 APR 2018

Services provided by foreign persons to residents of Oman will be subject to Omani withholding tax, wherever the services are performed.

Crypto industry sweep: ICOs and token offerings under increasing scrutiny by US regulators

18 APR 2018

Recent enforcement developments targeting the cryptocurrency community, and the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead.

ONC guide for accessing and using medical records breaks no new ground, instead doubles down on old processes

16 APR 2018

The ONC Guide to Getting and Using your Health Records educates patients on their rights of access and provides detailed instructions on how patients should request their records.

CLOUD Act bolsters US government powers to obtain data stored abroad

12 APR 2018

The CLOUD Act makes clear that government demands for information apply whether the data is stored in the US or abroad.

Section 301 trade action against Chinese products: time for quick action

4 APR 2018

Companies wishing to seek removal of a product from the final list have the opportunity to present their views, but less than two months remain before the window completely closes.

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30 MAR 2018

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Monetising technological advances in the manufacturing industry

28 MAR 2018

Big data, internet of things, robotics, 3D printing, artificial intelligence, augmented reality, virtual reality, blockchain, 5G... how can manufacturers exploit technological convergence in order to make processes more efficient, deliver better services to customers, increase the bottom line and remain a responsible corporate citizen?

UK fintech strategy announcement: What have we learned?

23 MAR 2018

At the heart of the UK's new fintech strategy, announced yesterday by Chancellor of the Exchequer Philip Hammond, is facilitating interaction and engagement between banks and new fintech providers

Ninth Circuit concludes threat of future harm is sufficient for Article III standing, joins Sixth, Seventh and DC Circuits

21 MAR 2018

However, all is not lost for companies facing class actions following a data breach.

The Internet of Things and the real estate sector

14 MAR 2018

Smart homes, smart buildings and smart cities are now part of everyday life, and they will only become smarter and more connected with the world around us as time goes on. Technological advances are revolutionizing how the sector operates for all existing participants whilst drawing in new players who have technology at the core of their business.

Private LTE networks – a new user's guide

13 MAR 2018

Our handbook, *Private LTE Networks – A New User's Guide*, is designed to set out basic information that may help you decide whether a private LTE network is right for you.

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.

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

8 MAR 2018

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

EU Data Privacy Law Presents New Challenges and New Opportunities

7 MAR 2018

Joint report from BCG and DLA Piper reveals how companies can meet—and exceed—the data privacy requirements of the EU's impending General Data Protection Regulation to become trusted data stewards.

The French Competition Authority has published its long awaited sector-specific investigation into online advertising

6 MAR 2018

Almost two years after announcing the opening of a vast sector-specific investigation on its own initiative, the French Competition Authority (FCA) has just made public its long awaited opinion regarding the online advertising sector.

Global Media Sector Trends 2018

6 MAR 2018

DLA Piper's new Global Media Sector Trends 2018 report explores how new commercial opportunities are being created by disruption, specifically in relation to the rise of over-the-top (OTT) content, virtual / augmented reality (VR/AR) and the internet-of-things (IOT).

The UK tax treatment of Initial Coin Offerings

6 MAR 2018

What are some of the tax issues that arise when Initial Coin Offerings are conducted through a UK resident issuer vehicle?

Hybrid token offerings: the rise of token offerings for venture backed-companies

27 FEB 2018

These hybrid token offerings raise numerous questions for traditional investors.

SEC advises companies to publicly disclose cybersecurity risks and prohibit insider trading around cybersecurity incidents: action steps for public companies

26 FEB 2018

The SEC is emphasizing the importance of "timely disclosures" and of measures to prevent insider trading based upon cyber-risks or incidents.

Building National Law in Africa

22 Feb 2018

There are more than a dozen regional organizations in Africa. Initially funded by multilateral aid (especially from the World Bank loans and grants), most were created by African countries themselves in the 1960's and 1970's.

Australian mandatory data breach notification regime

22 FEB 2018

The mandatory data breach notification regime will be in force in Australia from 22 February 2018, after the federal Government introduced the Privacy Amendment (Notifiable Data Breaches) Bill 2016 to amend the Privacy Act. Our alert sets out some answers to the key questions being asked around the regime.

Techlaw Podcast: Blockchain - Driving adoption and navigating challenges

22 FEB 2018

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How is Blockchain transforming the way firms do business - and what are the challenges? With DLA Piper associate Dylan

Australian Consumer Law update

20 FEB 2018

The recent Treasury Laws Amendment (2018 Measures No.3) Bill 2018 (Cth) introduced to Parliament, is a timely reminder for organisations to ensure they have appropriate consumer law compliance programs in place. This will identify, manage and, to the extent possible, mitigate the risks associated with breaches of the Australian Consumer Law.

TechLaw Podcast: Disruption in Outsourcing - The impact of AI & RPA

14 FEB 2018

[TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES](#)

A look at the wider robotic process automation (RPA) industry, new legal challenges and ways to drive effective collaboration when outsourcing this new technology. With Kit Burden, partner and Global Co-Chair in the Technology sector at DLA Piper, and Andrew Burgess, a strategic advisor on AI and RPA.

Review into Open Banking - Farrell Report released

12 FEB 2018

Following in the footsteps of Governments across international borders, the results of the long-awaited and much discussed Review into Open Banking in Australia were released late on Friday afternoon. The 158 page report recommends a model for the introduction of open banking as part of the broader 'Consumer Data Right' introduced by the Government late last year. It follows the Productivity Commission's recommendations in their Data Availability and Use Report last year to give consumers a 'comprehensive right' with greater access to and control of their data.

IVASS recommends cybersecurity measures for insurance intermediaries

9 FEB 2018

In a letter dated December 29 2017, IVASS (the Italian insurance regulator) provided details of an investigation that it had undertaken on July 25 2017 into (re)insurance intermediaries' general understanding of cybersecurity-related issues and the remedies that they have implemented to protect their businesses and clients against the adverse effects of possible cyberattacks.

TechLaw Podcast: The disruptive impact of AI and automation technologies

9 FEB 2018

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What impact are AI and automation having on business operations - and workers themselves? And what impact will they have in the future? With DLA Piper partner and Technology Sector co-chair Kit Burden and Ashish Gupta, Corporate Vice President - ITO and Infrastructure Service Sales EMEA at HCL Technologies.

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.

China's new data protection standard – what you need to know

9 FEB 2018

The long awaited new National Standards on Information Security Technology - Personal Information Security Specification GB/T 35273-2017 ("PI Specification") has now been released, and will come into force on 1 May 2018.

Top 5 Internet of Things predictions for 2018

7 FEB 2018

What will change in 2018? What should companies do to exploit it? What new legal issues will arise and how shall they be navigated? Below are the personal top 5 predictions on the legal issues that will affect the Internet of Things (IoT) in 2018.

Smartphone apps pose heightened compliance risks under new US FCPA Corporate Enforcement Policy

7 FEB 2018

Smartphone users in China and many other emerging economies increasingly rely on so-called super-apps, which integrate features otherwise accessible through multiple applications under a single user interface and account.

Connected devices and the Internet of Things: What insurers need to know

7 FEB 2018

Connected insurance is not only about data protection. When dealing with connected devices and technologies, it is obviously necessary to fully assess the device, including its marketability standards.

Blockchain: background, challenges and legal issues

2 FEB 2018

Blockchain and distributed ledger technology offers significant and scalable processing power, high accuracy rates, and apparently unbreakable security at a significantly reduced cost compared to the traditional systems the technology could replace, such as settlement, trading or accounting systems. Like all new technology however, it poses challenges for suppliers and customers. So what are the key issues in relation to blockchain and distributed ledger technology?

Global Data Privacy Snapshot 2018: How does your organisation compare?

31 JAN 2018

Data protection is rising on the agenda globally: the past year has seen China introduce the PRC Cybersecurity Law, the introduction of Australia's mandatory Privacy Amendment (Notifiable Data Breaches) Act 2017, while the EU's long awaited

General Data Protection Regulation is due to come in to force in May 2018.

Q1 Editor's Column

30 MAR 2018

2018 is going to be an exciting year for DLA Piper.

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.

Regulatory challenges for electronic communications operators offering IoT connectivity services

24 JAN 2018

A booming market with rising demand for connectivity and capacity.

Data protection for personal data of legal entities in Austria under the GDPR?

22 JAN 2018

With 31 July, the Austrian law amending the Data Protection Act 2000 (Data Protection Amendment Act 2018 – DSG 2018) was promulgated. This Act shall align the Austrian data protection law with the new General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and enters into force on 25 May 2018.

Techlaw podcast: Cybercrime - What drives it and what is being done to protect businesses?

22 JAN 2018

[TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES](#)

Our panel looks at the wider context behind cybercrime, the challenges faces firms, the regulatory environment and the impact of cybercrime on SMEs. With DLA Piper Partner Andrew Dyson and Legal Director James McGachie, and Jeroen Herlaar, Regional Director of cybersecurity firm Mandiant

2018 outlook for drugs and medical devices in China: regulatory reform fueled by innovation

18 JAN 2018

The year 2017 ended with a central government directive to reform the regulatory approval system for drugs and medical devices and a subsequent flood of CFDA changes and proposed changes to the system, and we should see further regulatory reform in 2018 as the Chinese government continues to encourage domestic innovation in this sector.

Government investment in technology: how governments use tax regimes to attract R&D activity

17 JAN 2018

Focusing on the UK, Ireland and Germany, this article considers how tax policy can encourage local tech startups.

TechLaw Podcast: ICOs, blockchain and the investment revolution

12 JAN 2018

TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES

A look at how ICOs and blockchains are transforming the investment landscape - covering tokens, the ERC20 standard and the regulatory environment. With Ethereum Lead Developer Fabian Vogesteller and DLA Piper partner Martin Bartlam

TechLaw Podcast: Crowdfunding with Seedrs and Deloitte

8 JAN 2018

TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES

Crowdfunding is an increasingly popular alternative source of capital for enterprises at all stages of growth. As this phenomenon continues to gain momentum, organisations looking to utilize it for finance need to be aware of the challenges and key regulations. This podcast explores the current crowdfunding arena, the key challenges to overcome, and the future evolution of the crowdfunding sphere.

A new list of "low tax" jurisdictions has been adopted

5 JAN 2018

On December 27, 2017, the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine adopted Resolution No. 1045, which approved a new list of jurisdictions that meet the criteria set forth in paragraph 39.2.1.2 of the Tax Code of Ukraine.

DLA Piper's white book on digital transformation in free-view access

3 JAN 2018

In April 2017, Paris office launched the *Guide du Numérique* (DLA Piper 180 pages white book on digital transformation) co-edited with the leading business magazine Option Finance, aimed at summarizing in one 'white book' the main legal topics and issues regarding the digital transformation.

Supreme Court Corner Q1 2018

30 MAR 2018

Key Supreme Court decisions in the copyright and patent areas.

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27 DEC 2017

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Events

27 DEC 2017

DLA Piper hosts cybersecurity program in Washington, DC, and Fifth Annual Global IP Symposium in Japan.

Leading entertainment and IP litigator Doug Emhoff joins DLA Piper in Los Angeles

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Cybersecurity and data protection laws are evolving across Asia

27 DEC 2017

Cybersecurity and data protection laws are changing rapidly across Asia, and companies wishing to avoid losing their business operations in key countries are taking note.

Q4 Editor's Column

27 DEC 2017

We believe this quarter's coverage provides diverse, timely and efficient guidance and analysis, and we hope you agree.

Supreme Court Corner Q4 2017

27 DEC 2017

Text, blood and rock 'n' roll

27 DEC 2017

You are not a "free bird" – the duty to preserve text messages may extend to third parties.

Larissa Park named the top IPR attorney by Patexia

27 DEC 2017

Larissa Park was recently named the best-performing IP attorney by Patexia Inc.

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.

FAA restricts drone operations near seven DOE facilities

20 DEC 2017

UAS operators who violate the restrictions, effective December 29, 2017, may be subject to enforcement action, such as civil penalties and criminal charges.

FCA issues Feedback Statement on DLT

20 DEC 2017

On 15 December 2017, the FCA published a Feedback Statement summarising the responses to its Discussion Paper on Distributed Ledger Technology (DLT) and setting out its own views on the recent developments. The Feedback Statement is divided into six sections, each relating to a specific risk or application of DLT. A particular focus is made on the potential risks of ICOs and cryptocurrency-related products like CFDs.

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

[LAW À LA MODE SERIES](#)

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.

FAA Aviation Rulemaking Committee: Final Report recommends standards for UAS remote ID and tracking

19 DEC 2017

A positive step that better frames the UAS remote ID and tracking debate.

The implications on data in sport in light of improvements in technology

18 DEC 2017

With improvements in technology, more and more data about sporting events is being captured. A number of different groups claim to 'own' such data. This article explains why it is important for sports organisations to do what they can to protect and enforce their investment in data collection.

SEC eats away at Munchee "utility tokens": guidance for ICOs

14 DEC 2017

What takeaways can other potential token issuers glean from the Munchee order? How much "utility" is needed?

FAA drone registration authority restored

12 DEC 2017

The FAA's explicit authority to require registration of civilian small unmanned aircrafts is being restored.

Intellectual Property and Technology News (Asia Pacific) December 2017

7 DEC 2017

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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.

ICMA publishes directory of FinTech solutions for repo and cash bond operations

27 NOV 2017

The International Capital Markets Association (ICMA) has published a directory listing 80+ FinTech technology providers offering services in the repo operations space.

International FinTech brochure

22 NOV 2017

DLA Piper is one of the leading global law firms advising clients on all aspects of the FinTech Sector on everything from new FinTech platforms to disruptive FinTech models and the protection of technology driven products. We also advise established players on harnessing and leveraging technological innovation.

China tax incentives for advanced technology service enterprises rolled out to the entire nation: key features

20 NOV 2017

Circular 79 sets out the detailed guidance and regulation on the rollout of the Advanced Technology Service Enterprises tax incentives.

TechLaw Podcast: The Future of Fintech (Part 2)

18 NOV 2017

TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES

The second of this two-part set explores the challenges and risks of digital transformation in the financial sector. How are financial institutions re-designing their business models to retain customers in a digital world?

TechLaw Podcast: The Future of FinTech (Part 1)

17 NOV 2017

TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES

The first in a two-part set explores the key issues surrounding diversity and policy in the financial services sector. Part one focuses on access to a diverse workforce during a fast-paced market and the changing regulatory landscape from a policy perspective.

TechLaw Podcast: Automation and AI: the legal issues

16 NOV 2017

TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES

The panel explore the legal landscapes of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Intelligence. The host, Gareth Stokes, is a partner in DLA Piper's global intellectual property and technology group and is joined by two fellow partners, Larissa Park and Gangi Olivi.

How to gather snowflakes: big data, AI and predictive analysis of customers

15 NOV 2017

In this article, which accompanies an infographic covering 'How AI And Automation Are Transforming Retail', DLA Piper's lawyers consider big data and 'customer ownership' issues in the retail space, exploring the impact of big data, AI and predictive analysis of customers. This article, and the related infographic, also accompanies another article looking at the transformative impact of technology on retail and the supply chain, the likely reduction in the need for workers, inevitable HR issues that will arise and the dangers of getting 'locked in' to long term contracts in a fast-changing market.

TechLaw Podcast: Introduction with Kit Burden

15 NOV 2017

TECHLAW PODCAST SERIES

Kit Burden, Global Co-Chair of the Technology Sector at DLA Piper, introduces the highly anticipated TechLaw podcast series. This short introduction shares some of the key areas and topics that our DLA Piper lawyers, along with industry professionals, will cover in this series.

Preparing for a payment card data breach: what should businesses do?

15 NOV 2017

In this article, DLA Piper's lawyers consider that there were an estimated 164 million payment cards in use in the UK in 2016 and how, with almost £4 billion being spent using contactless cards alone in April 2017 and new breach notice requirements coming into force soon, those involved (including card brands and merchants) need to consider how to respond to breaches, and potential

alternatives to storing card data in the future. Payment card data is a major target of hackers.

DOT and FAA's Unmanned Aircraft System Pilot Integration Program: seeking applications from State, Local and Tribal Nation Communities

8 NOV 2017

DOT and FAA are looking for State, Local and Tribal Nation Communities to apply to become one of five selectees generating data and community feedback on UAS operations.

Notice and take-down mechanism on Alibaba ecommerce platforms

7 NOV 2017

In August 2017, Alibaba introduced some technological enhancements to its Intellectual Property Protection Platform (IPP), most of which target the IPP's Notice and Take-down Mechanism (Complaint Mechanism). The enhancements are promising, and strengthen the enforcement tools for rightsholders in Alibaba's increasingly important ecommerce ecosystem. However, some key shortcomings remain. These are discussed below, as well as some tips for how the IPP is best used.

Unexpected Human in the Bagging Area: the impact of automation on retail workforces

27 OCT 2017

I suspect most of us have had the experience from time to time - you're looking to buy something a little bit out of the ordinary, and don't really know where to start. Two stories I heard recently neatly illustrate how that can result in both good and bad experiences. One story involves a teetotal friend looking to buy wine for a dinner party. His trip to a specialist vintner was frustrated by a condescending member of staff and resulted in my friend leaving the shop having not made a purchase. In contrast, another friend decided to take up running after being on maternity leave. She visited a running shop, was put at ease but a member of the sales team and left with trainers, clothes and gadgets.

Reminder to service providers: re-register your DMCA agent designation by 12/31/17

26 OCT 2017

Those who fail to submit a new registration via the electronic system by the deadline risks ineligibility for the DMCA's notice and takedown safe harbor protections.

Canadian Securities Administrators provide new guidance on cryptocurrency offerings and approve exemptive relief for Canadian ICO

1 SEP 2017

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Disruptive technologies have transformed the global economy, and will continue to do so at exponential rates. Innovators at the cutting edge of these technologies should carefully review their patenting strategy, or risk being pushed out of emerging market opportunities.

Blockchain: UK regulator asks for input as it addresses emerging business models

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Japan exempts virtual currencies from consumption tax

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Artificial intelligence: patentability of an interface between the human brain and a computer

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Blockchain - a revolution for the insurance sector with some risks

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The Final Rule's reach is very broad and presents operational challenges. It may prompt other states to enact their own rules.

UAE Central Bank regulations targeting digital currencies

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Paul Allen, Middle East Head of Intellectual Property and Technology, was live on breakfast radio this morning with Dubai Eye discussing the UAE Central Bank's new security requirements for digital payments and virtual currencies.

Central Bank of UAE issues new security requirements for digital payments and prohibits virtual currencies

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Digital payment service providers in the UAE must now comply with a range of new rules including those relating to licensing, data protection and outsourcing

The OCC confirms special purpose national bank charters for fintech companies

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The blockchain revolution, smart contracts and financial transactions

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Blockchain-based smart contracts have enormous potential to streamline financial transactions and reduce counterparty risks.

GST to be removed from Bitcoin transactions – how best to fix the "double taxing" of digital currency?

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The Treasurer, Scott Morrison, recently announced that the Government is committed to working with the FinTech industry on legislative solutions for the GST "double tax" issues that can arise on domestic transactions involving digital currencies such as Bitcoin.

In this update we outline the issues that the Government and industry will need to consider as a part of any reform process. Given the "Netflix Tax" is intended to apply from 1 July 2017, and would apply to relevant inbound supplies of digital currency, any reforms should ideally commence prior to that date.

What to watch for in 2016 in financial regulation: important changes to AML rules for investment advisers coming this year

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China's launch of its own digital currency will shake up the payments industry

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On 21 January 2016, the People's Bank of China issued a statement announcing its plan to launch its own digital currency.

Hands-off digital currencies! Canada's Senate calls for a light regulatory approach

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Formerly considered a gimmick for geeks and gamers, digital currencies, such as Bitcoin, have since grown into a worldwide phenomenon that now garner significant public attention. Among the interested parties are both regulators and governments, including, recently, the Senate of Canada (Canada's Upper House of Parliament).

EU law on cookies

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A guide detailing how the 'Cookies Regulation' (Article 5(3) of the E-Privacy Directive) has been implemented into the law of the EU member states.

Bitcoin: Bringing you up to speed on a digital currency

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Mixed feelings: China censures bitcoin while Hong Kong embraces it

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Last December, bitcoin prices plummeted by nearly half, after Chinese authorities banned all financial institutions and payment processor companies in China from engaging in bitcoin-related business, denominating prices in bitcoins, and providing bitcoin trading, settlement, clearing or other linked financial products and services.

Can you take a security interest in Bitcoin?

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Bitcoin is constantly in the news. Whether you believe it is the currency of the future or just a fad, a great investment or just an easy and cheap way to effect transactions, what is not yet clear is whether bitcoin will be a financing tool and if so, whether a security interest can be taken in bitcoin.

Bitcoin is property, not currency, IRS says – Notice leaves many open questions about convertible virtual currencies

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IRS says virtual currencies, such as bitcoin, should be treated as “property” rather than “currency” for US federal income tax purposes.

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The US Supreme Court rules on the patentability of a test for breast cancer related genes - a decision that, we find, is a partial victory for all involved.

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College athletes' right-of- publicity claims have the potential to dramatically alter current business models.

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Divided court revives divided infringement

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A recent Federal Circuit decision restores a type of patent infringement claim that it had extinguished five years earlier. The issue is: can a defendant be liable for infringement of a method claim when no single actor commits all the acts that constitute direct infringement?

Auditing Colombia's agriculture IP

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A DLA Piper team audits Colombia's agriculture-related IP and sought to identify Colombian agricultural innovations which are not protected by patents and may have export value.

Colombia: gateway to South America's Patent Prosecution Highway

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Understanding the need for more robust patent laws, the Colombian government is aggressively reshaping its IP system.

Trademark or certification mark? The standards body's dilemma

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When standards bodies look to protect the marks associated with their standards, they are faced with a dilemma: should they use trademarks or certification marks? One may think the answer is obvious: "certification" seems to be what standards bodies do, and therefore a standards body should always use certification marks. But the obvious answer is not always the right one. Some standards bodies find that trademarks better fit their needs.

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Ongoing royalties: a new development in patent damage awards

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Following the Supreme Court decision in *eBay, Inc. v. MercExchange, LLC*,¹ injunctions do not automatically follow from a finding that a patent is infringed and not invalid. In cases where an injunction is denied, in lieu of the injunction the district court has the power to award what are called "ongoing royalties," a relatively new development in patent damages.

China's patent litigation landscape shifts

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China bested the United States to become the No. 1 patent filing country in the world in 2011 by obtaining 526,412 invention patent applications, compared to 503,582 utility patent applications in the US. Of these, 79 percent went to domestic Chinese entities, as compared to 49.2 percent to domestic entities in the US.

Privacy and your business

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Privacy has become an issue that 21st century business leaders and GCs cannot ignore or leave to the engineers. In the information age, personal data is a key asset for many businesses and a centerpiece of business opportunities.

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IP industries spur US economy

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IP-related industries support at least 40 million jobs and contribute more than US\$5 trillion of the US gross domestic product – that is, about 35 percent of the GDP.¹

An interview with the Honorable Arthur J. Gajarsa, Senior Judge of the US Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, on uniform patent law, pro bono work and fine Italian spirits

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As the Federal Circuit heads into an era of transition, Judge Gajarsa sat down with his former clerk, DLA Piper's Aaron Fountain, to share his observations

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Embryonic stem cell derivations are not patentable in the EU

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The Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU)¹ ruled in *Brüstle v Greenpeace*,² that processes involving derivation of stem cells from a human embryo at the blastocyst stage, entailing the destruction of that embryo, cannot be patented.

Brüstle concerns a patent for isolated and purified neural precursor cells derived from human blastocysts. Central to the case was the interpretation of Article 6(2)(c) of Directive 98/44/EC (the Biotech Directive),³ which excludes patentability of inventions involving “the use of human embryos for industrial or commercial purposes.”

The CJEU decision followed Advocate General Yves Bot’s March 2011 opinion that neither totipotent nor pluipotent stem cells from an embryo that has been modified or destroyed are patentable. In reaching its decision, the CJEU held that the definition of an “embryo” should be read broadly, to include any fertilized ovum whether created by transfer of a nucleus from another mature cell or stimulated to cell division by parthenogenesis. Further, the CJEU decided that processes involving a human embryo are only patentable if therapeutic or diagnostic purposes are applied to and are useful to the human embryo.

The CJEU decision

The CJEU determined that the intent and purpose of the Biotech Directive was to remove any possibility of patentability where human dignity could thereby be harmed. Thus, the concept of “human embryo” must be understood broadly. Accordingly, the CJEU ruled:

- Any human ovum after fertilization, any non-fertilized human ovum into which the cell nucleus from a mature human cell had been transplanted and any non-fertilized human ovum whose division and further development have been stimulated by parthenogenesis constitute a “human embryo.”
- The referring court should ascertain whether a stem cell obtained from a human embryo at the blastocyst stage constitutes a “human embryo” within the Directive’s meaning. However, it was clear from the CJEU’s ruling that such a

cell line would not be patentable.

- The use of a human embryo for therapeutic or diagnostic purposes which were applied to the human embryo and were useful to it are *prima facie* patentable.
- If an invention does not itself “use” human embryos, but relates to a product necessitating prior destruction of a human embryo or a process requiring a base material obtained from such destruction, then that invention would not be patentable.

Some research has shown that human embryonic stem cells offer advantages in cellular therapies over other cell lines. By holding that inventions relating to processes for deriving cells from human embryos, or cell lines derived from those processes, are not patentable, the CJEU has reduced the scope within the EU of proprietary protection for inventions relating to embryonic stem cells. Its decision that the definition of embryo should encompass cells derived from parthenogenesis as well as any fertilized ova may also affect those with rights in cell lines and processes covering cell lines derived from fetal tissue.

The decision does not mean such processes or cell lines are not valuable or protectable. Research and innovation will go on and will likely be protected as trade secrets. This could mean that discoveries may be held closely, rather than shared in the scientific community.

There is concern in the industry that in the absence of patent protection, European companies and universities may find it harder to obtain funding for research, and investment may shift to markets that afford patent protection. Because Europe retains a significant knowledge base, it is likely research funding will go on; indeed, because of the *Brüstle* decision, activities enabling stem cell technologies, adult stem cells and iPS cell technologies may grow. In the race toward cellular therapies, companies with pioneering processes using human embryonic stem cell lines will have to decide whether to apply for patent protection in such countries, with no prohibition on others reproducing their work in Europe, or decide not to file for patent protection anywhere, keeping their knowledge confidential and thereby keeping a competitive edge.

The CJEU decision has firmly placed protection of commercial rights in embryonic cell lines, the processes to derive such stem cells and the application of those lines in cellular therapy into the realm of contractual rights. It remains to be seen whether the *Brüstle* decision will affect stem cell research toward therapeutic applications in the EU.

For more information about the CJEU’s decision, please contact:

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1. Formerly the European Court of Justice (ECJ).
2. Case C-34/10 *Oliver Brüstle v Greenpeace e.V.*

3. Directive 98/44/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 July 1998 on the legal protection of biotechnological inventions.

Federal Circuit rules that gene patents are valid

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California Consumer Privacy Act and GDPR – how do they differ?

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How blockchain technology will impact how we do business

25 OCT 2018

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23 OCT 2018
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Hottest Tech Trends in India: Tips and Traps for Investors

23 OCT 2018
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FT Future of Football 2018

16 OCT 2018
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The Future of Payments and Remittance

12 OCT 2018
Hong Kong

ACC-SFBA Corporate Securities Committee Meeting

4 OCT 2018
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Palo Alto

ACC-SFBA Corporate Securities Committee Meeting

3 OCT 2018
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San Francisco

NBN Executive Learning Series: Innovation, Autonomous Vehicles and Purpose

16 SEP 2018

Women in FinTech - Making the room for change

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Israel Dealmakers Dinner: Enterprise Blockchain

6 SEP 2018

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6 SEP 2018
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22 AUG 2018
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Cleaning out the data closet – when and how to defensibly delete digital records

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8 MAY 2018
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Sports Technology Conference

25 APR 2018

Venturing into China series 1 : how do you structure your investments and protect your IP

10 APR 2018

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Antitrust Big Data webinar

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The changing Landscape of Fintech

8 FEB 2018

Singapore

Block Chain, Smart Contracts & AI: Legal Challenges and Opportunities in Emerging Technologies

7 FEB 2018

Cybersecurity in the new normal: threats, trends and tips for today's business leaders

1 FEB 2018

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Antitrust aspects of big data and algorithms

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Thinking big: Going global - with a corporate partner?

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GDPR: Dealing with the data rights of your employees

30 NOV 2017
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Seminar - Results of the arbitration reform and its prospects of development

28 NOV 2017
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The KQ Liverpool Business Roadshow: GDPR

28 NOV 2017
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Global capital flows - the new world

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DLA Piper advises Plexium in US\$28 million Series A financing

18 October 2019

DLA Piper represented Plexium, a San Diego-based emerging biotechnology company whose proprietary platform, DELPhe, enables cell-based phenotypic screening of DNA-encoded libraries in nanoliter volumes, in its US\$28 million Series A financing.

DLA Piper advises Insilico Medicine on successful Series B funding

17 October 2019

DLA Piper advised Insilico Medicine, a pioneer in next-generation artificial intelligence technology for drug discovery, on a successful US\$37 million Series B funding round to commercialize the validated generative chemistry and target identification technology.

DLA Piper advises Camden Partners in Series D financing

1 October 2019

DLA Piper represented Camden Partners in its investment in RedPoint Global, a top provider of customer data platform (CDP) and customer engagement technologies.

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.

Michael Lewis named to US delegation to World Radiocommunication Conference

23 September 2019

Michael Lewis, a senior engineering advisor in DLA Piper's Telecom practice, has been named a member of the United States delegation to the World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-19).

DLA Piper advises Clutter on its US\$152 million acquisition of the New York real estate portfolio of The Storage

Fox

23 September 2019

DLA Piper represented Clutter, an on-demand a tech-enabled storage company that manages the pickup, storage and retrieval of customers' belongings, in its US\$152 million acquisition of the New York-based real estate portfolio of The Storage Fox.

DLA Piper represents Blue Ocean Robotics in its acquisition of the Beam telepresence robot business from Suitable Technologies

30 August 2019

DLA Piper is representing Denmark-based Blue Ocean Robotics in its acquisition of the assets and rights associated with the Beam® telepresence robot from Silicon Valley-based Suitable Technologies, Inc. The deal is subject to necessary approvals.

DLA Piper Canada lawyers recognized in 2020 edition of *Best Lawyers in Canada*

21 AUG 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to see 70 of our lawyers across 34 practice areas recognized in the 2020 *Best Lawyers in Canada* guide.

DLA Piper announces launch of Technology sector blog

12 August 2019

DLA Piper is pleased to announce the re-launch of its new, upgraded technology-focused blog, Technology's Legal Edge.

DLA Piper advises Credible on merger with Fox

6 August 2019

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised ASX-listed US fintech company Credible Labs Inc. (ASX: CRD) on its AUD585 million proposed merger with NASDAQ listed Fox Corporation.

DLA Piper advises VMware on its proposed acquisition of Bitfusion

29 July 2019

DLA Piper represented VMware, Inc., a global leader in cloud infrastructure and digital workspace technology, in its proposed acquisition of Bitfusion.io Inc.

DLA Piper represents Bridge Investments in sale of QDiscovery

24 July 2019

DLA Piper represented Bridge Investments in the sale of e-discovery provider QDiscovery LLC to Xact Data Discovery.

DLA Piper represents Advizr in its acquisition by Orion Advisor Services

23 July 2019

DLA Piper represented Advizr, Inc. in its acquisition by Orion Advisor Services.

DLA Piper advises Jaja Finance on its £530m acquisition of Bank of Ireland's UK credit card business

12 July 2019

DLA Piper has advised digital finance company Jaja Finance Limited (Jaja) on the acquisition of Bank of Ireland's (The Bank) UK credit card portfolio.

DLA Piper represents New Enterprise Associates in US\$100 million Series C financing of DivvyPay

8 July 2019

DLA Piper represented New Enterprise Associates, Inc. (NEA) in connection with its participation in a US\$100 million round of Series C preferred stock financing of DivvyPay, Inc., a financial platform for businesses to manage payments and subscriptions, build strategic budgets and eliminate expense reports.

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.

DLA Piper advises Adaptive Biotechnologies in its US\$345 million IPO

2 July 2019

July 2, 2019 – DLA Piper represented Seattle-based Adaptive Biotechnologies Corporation in its US\$345 million initial public offering.

DLA Piper advises FinLab EOS VC fund on its investment in Uplandme

1 July 2019

DLA Piper has advised FinLab EOS VC Europe I GmbH & Co. KG on its investment into Uplandme, Inc., a Silicon Valley based game development studio. The funds secured in this financing round will be used to support the initial development and launch of the digital property trading game Upland.

DLA Piper's Brad Gersich named to the *Daily Journal's* list of Top Artificial Intelligence Lawyers

27 June 2019

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Brad Gersich, co-chair of the Northern California Corporate and Securities practice, has been selected by the *Daily Journal* as one of the Top Artificial Intelligence Lawyers for 2019.

DLA Piper's Mark Radcliffe named to the *Recorder's* 2019 list of California Trailblazers

26 June 2019

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Mark Radcliffe, a Silicon Valley-based partner, has been named to the *Recorder's* 2019 list of California Trailblazers.

DLA Piper advises Q2 Holdings in concurrent common stock and convertible note offerings

17 JUN 2019

DLA Piper advised Q2 Holdings, Inc. in a US\$210.8 million underwritten registered public offering of its common stock and a concurrent private placement of US\$316.25 million aggregate principal amount of convertible senior notes.

Khoa D. Do rejoins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Northern California

13 June 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Khoa Do, who was previously a partner at the firm, has returned to the Corporate practice as a partner in Northern California, based out of the Silicon Valley office.

DLA Piper advises Critical Start in US\$40 million investment from Bregal Sagemount

12 June 2019

DLA Piper represented Texas-based cybersecurity firm Critical Start in a US\$40 million minority investment by Bregal Sagemount.

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.

DLA Piper's Margo Tank named to the *National Law Journal's* list of Technology Trailblazers

10 June 2019

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Margo Tank, a US co-chair of the firm's Financial Services sector, has been named to the *National Law Journal's* list of Technology Trailblazers.

DLA Piper advises VARTA AG on EUR100 million acquisition of VARTA Consumer Batteries from Energizer

3 JUN 2019

DLA Piper has advised battery manufacturer VARTA AG, one of the market leaders in micro batteries, on the acquisition of the Europe-based VARTA Consumer Batteries business from US company Energizer Holdings, Inc.

DLA Piper advises New Signature in acquisition of Nebbia Technology

20 MAY 2019

DLA Piper represented New Signature, a Washington, DC-based provider of Microsoft technologies, in its acquisition of Nebbia Technology, a consulting provider focused on Microsoft's Azure cloud computing platform.

DLA Piper advises Sopra Steria on partnership with 7 German banks of the Sparda Group

17 MAY 2019

DLA Piper has advised Sopra Steria, a European leader in digital transformation, on its partnership with seven Sparda-Banks in Germany regarding the transformation of the Sparda-Banks' banking technology and information system.

DLA Piper advises Life360 on AUD820 million IPO

14 MAY 2019

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised US tech company Life360 on its AUD820 million IPO and ASX listing – the largest IPO on the ASX this year and one of the largest tech debuts on the ASX ever in Australia.

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 Sentica on sale of Chilit

14 MAY 2019

We have advised Sentica Partners Oy and private individuals in the sale of Finnish IT company Chilit to Sweden-based Dustin Group AB.

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.

DLA Piper advises Lightspeed Systems in investment by Madison Dearborn Partners

6 MAY 2019

DLA Piper represented Austin, Texas-based education technology company Lightspeed Systems in connection with a strategic growth investment it received from private equity funds advised by Madison Dearborn Partners, LLC.

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.

DLA Piper Named International Law Firm of the Year at Russia Venture Capital Awards 2019

24 APR 2019

For the fourth year running, DLA Piper has been named International Law Firm of the Year at the Russia Venture Capital Awards 2019. The awards are organised by Preqveca, an information and analytical agency devoted to the private equity industry and venture financing in Russia, Kazakhstan, Ukraine and other CIS countries.

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.

DLA Piper advises Summit Infrastructure Group in majority investment by SDC Capital Partners

18 APR 2019

DLA Piper represented Summit Infrastructure Group, Inc. (SummitIG), a network solutions and bandwidth infrastructure provider, in the sale of a majority stake in the company to SDC Capital Partners.

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.

DLA Piper advises FinLab EOS VC on investment in Germany's Next Big Thing

17 APR 2019

DLA Piper has advised FinLab EOS VC Europe I GmbH & Co. KG as co-investor on an investment of up to two million euros into Berlin-based Internet of Things and blockchain company builder Next Big Thing AG.

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 advises Riverwood Capital in its Series F investment in Sauce Labs Inc.

9 APR 2019

DLA Piper represented Riverwood Capital in its Series F investment in Sauce Labs Inc., a California-based provider of cloud-based mobile and web-testing platforms. In conjunction with the funding, Jeff Parks from Riverwood Capital will join the Sauce Labs Board of Directors.

DLA Piper advises Tilson Technology Management in SDC Capital Partners' US\$100 million investment

9 APR 2019

DLA Piper represented Tilson Technology Management in the completed transaction through which funds managed by SDC Capital Partners, LLC will invest US\$100 million in the company.

DLA Piper advises Securly in its acquisition of TechPilot Labs

5 APR 2019

DLA Piper represented Securly, Inc., an education technology company and provider of a cloud-based web filtering platform for school computers, in its acquisition of the business of Atlanta-based TechPilot Labs, Inc., a fast-growing provider of K-12 education technology.

Two DLA Piper lawyers recognized by BTI Consulting Group for superior client service

3 APR 2019

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that BTI Consulting Group has recognized two of its lawyers for providing superior service to clients.

DLA Piper teams up with Tokeny to bridge the gap between blockchain and finance to provide companies with a new approach to global securities offerings

2 APR 2019

DLA Piper has teamed up with the compliant tokenization platform, Tokeny, to provide an approach to capital raising which enables companies to raise funding in a regulatory compliant manner from their own website. The initiative, called 'The Digital Securities Alliance', is a sophisticated off-the-shelf tool which links corporate issuers with investors through blockchain technology.

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.

Travis Leach joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Phoenix

1 APR 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Travis Leach has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Phoenix, bringing new talent to the well-established group.

DLA Piper advises Seeing Machines Limited on £34 million capital raise

25 MAR 2019

DLA Piper has advised technology company Seeing Machines Limited (AIM: SEE) on its most recent £34.3 million (approximately AU\$64 million) capital raising.

Patrick Anding joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Los Angeles and San Diego

20 MAR 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Patrick Anding has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Los Angeles and San Diego.

DLA Piper advises on AFS Technologies merger with Exceedra

14 MAR 2019

DLA Piper has advised Symphony Technology Group (STG), the parent company of AFS Technologies (AFS) - a provider of software solutions purpose-built for consumer goods manufacturers and food distribution companies - on its merger with Exceedra.

DLA Piper advises Stack Infrastructure, Inc. in its inaugural securitization, an US\$850 million issuance of asset-backed secured notes

13 MAR 2019

DLA Piper represented Stack Infrastructure, Inc. (Stack), a wholesale data center company, in its inaugural securitization, an US\$850 million issuance of asset-backed secured notes. The notes are secured by pledged mortgages, deeds of trust and/or deeds to secure debt and the rights under certain tenant leases.

DLA Piper advises 10x Future Technologies on £32m Series B fundraising

12 MAR 2019

DLA Piper has advised fintech banking start-up 10x Future Technologies (10x) on its £32 million Series B funding round. A number of investors participated in the Series B funding including Nationwide, the world's largest building society, China's Ping An and global managing consulting firm Oliver Wyman.

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.

Galyna Zagorodniuk Re-Elected to the Public Council with the Antimonopoly Committee of Ukraine

28 FEB 2019

Galyna Zagorodniuk, Head of Competition at DLA Piper in Ukraine and member of the Ukrainian Professional Association of Corporate Governance, has been re-elected to the Public Council of the Antimonopoly Committee of Ukraine for 2019-2020.

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.

DLA Piper enhances cross-border tax capability with new partner hire in Dublin

26 FEB 2019

DLA Piper today announces the appointment of Maura Dineen as a Tax partner in the firm's newly opened Dublin office. This is the fifth partner hire for DLA Piper in Dublin in a month, following the announcements in January of Conor Houlihan (Finance & Projects), Éanna Mellett (Corporate), Mark Rasdale (Intellectual Property & Technology) and Ciara McLoughlin (Employment).

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).

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.

DLA Piper recognized as a leading private equity, venture capital and M&A firm in *PitchBook's* league tables

19 FEB 2019

For the second consecutive year, DLA Piper was the only firm to rank as one of the top five most active law firms for private equity, venture capital and M&A deal volume in *PitchBook's* 2018 global league tables report.

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.

DLA Piper advises Qualcomm in sale of Qualcomm Life to Francisco Partners

12 FEB 2019

DLA Piper represented Qualcomm in the sale of Qualcomm Life, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Qualcomm Incorporated that offers end-to-end medical device connectivity, to private equity firm Francisco Partners.

DLA Piper is advising Buddy Platform on AU\$71 million acquisition of LIFX

12 FEB 2019

Global law firm DLA Piper is advising leading Internet of Things (IoT) and cloud-based solutions company Buddy Platform Limited (ASX: BUD) on its AU\$71 million acquisition of global smart lighting technology company LIFX and associated AU\$18.1 million placement.

Over 59,000 personal data breaches reported across Europe since introduction of GDPR, according to DLA Piper survey

6 FEB 2019

Over 59,000 data breach notifications have been reported across the European Economic Area by public and private organizations since the GDPR came into force on 25th May 2018, according to DLA Piper's GDPR Data Breach survey.

Euroopan maissa tehty yli 59 000 ilmoitusta henkilötietojen tietoturvaloukkauksista GDPR:n soveltamisen alettua

5 FEB 2019

Euroopan maiden viranomaisille on tehty yritysten ja organisaatioiden toimesta yli 59 000 ilmoitusta henkilötietojen tietoturvaloukkauksesta GDPR:n soveltamisen alettua. Suomessa henkilötietojen tietoturvaloukkauksista on tehty 2 500 ilmoitusta GDPR:n tultua sovellettavaksi toukokuussa 2018. Asukaslukuun suhteutettuna ilmoituksia on Suomessa tehty EU-maista neljänneksi eniten. Googlelle langetetut ennätysakat lienevät esimakua merkittävistä liikevaihtosidonnaisista sakoista.

DLA Piper advises Neopost on both the acquisition of Parcel Pending and the sale of Satori Inc.

30 JAN 2019

DLA Piper represented Paris-based Neopost, a global leader in digital communications, logistics and mail solutions, in two recent merger and acquisition matters.

DLA Piper announces launch of Proptech practice

23 JAN 2019

DLA Piper announced today the launch of its Proptech practice, which will enable the firm to better advise clients working at the intersection of the Real Estate and Technology sectors and further the firm's mission as the leading global business law firm.

DLA Piper advises Summit Infrastructure Group in its majority recapitalization by SDC Capital Partners

11 JAN 2019

DLA Piper represented Summit Infrastructure Group, Inc., a network solutions and bandwidth infrastructure provider, in its majority recapitalization by SDC Capital Partners.

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.

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.

DLA Piper represents Securly in Series B financing led by Defy Partners and Owl Ventures

28 DEC 2018

DLA Piper represented Securly, Inc. in a US\$16 million round of Series B financing led by Defy Partners, along with participation by Owl Ventures.

DLA Piper advises BuildingConnected in US\$275 million sale to Autodesk

27 DEC 2018

DLA Piper represented BuildingConnected, a construction software provider, in its sale to software company Autodesk for US\$275 million.

DLA Piper advises SoftBank Vision Fund in investment in Zymergen

15 DEC 2018

The DLA Piper team representing SoftBank Vision Fund included partner Craig Lang and associate Evan Youngstrom (both of Silicon Valley).

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*.

DLA Piper advises Stillfront Group on acquisition of German game developer Playa Games GmbH

14 DEC 2018

DLA Piper has advised the Swedish company, Stillfront Group AB, on its acquisition of Hamburg-based Playa Games GmbH.

DLA Piper advises on Malaysia InsurTech US\$10 Million Series B2 Financing

12 DEC 2018

DLA Piper has advised Experian Ventures, on its role as lead investor in Jirnexu's US\$10 million Series B2 financing. This is Experian's third major fintech investment in Asia.

Nancy Victory named a MVP by Law360

12 DEC 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that co-Chair of the global Telecom practice, Nancy Victory, has been named a Law360 MVP.

DLA Piper named by the *Financial Times* as one of the top ten Most Innovative Law firms in North America for both the Business of Law and Legal Expertise

11 DEC 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce it was named by the *Financial Times* as one of the top ten Most Innovative Law firms in North America in both the Business of Law and Legal Expertise overall categories.

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.

DLA Piper advises ResMed in acquisition of Propeller Health

4 DEC 2018

DLA Piper represented ResMed (NYSE: RMD), a world-leading connected health company, in its entry into a definitive agreement to acquire Propeller Health, a digital therapeutics firm, for US\$225 million.

DLA Piper advises RealtimeBoard on its US\$25 million fundraising from Accel

19 NOV 2018

DLA Piper has advised RealtimeBoard, a whiteboarding platform that allows teams to collaborate remotely, on its US\$25 million series A financing round led by the venture capital firm Accel.

DLA Piper sponsors 2018 UK Technology Fast 50 awards

16 NOV 2018

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

DLA Piper advises Columbia Capital, LLC in its US\$21 million equity investment in Resilience360

13 NOV 2018

DLA Piper represented Columbia Capital, LLC in its US\$21 million equity investment in Resilience360 GMBH.

DLA Piper advises ResMed in agreement to acquire MatrixCare for US\$750 million

7 NOV 2018

DLA Piper represented ResMed, a world-leading connected health company, in a definitive agreement to acquire privately held MatrixCare, a leader in US long-term post-acute care software, for US\$750 million.

DLA Piper advises SolarWinds in its initial public offering

6 NOV 2018

DLA Piper represented SolarWinds Corporation (NYSE: SWI), a leading provider of powerful and affordable IT infrastructure management software, in its initial public offering.

DLA Piper completes global compliance survey of initial coin offerings and securities token offerings

6 NOV 2018

DLA Piper has completed a global compliance survey of initial coin offerings (ICOs) and securities token offerings (STOs), identifying how governments and agencies in more than 70 jurisdictions define, regulate and tax tokens and associated transactions.

DLA Piper joins Global Digital Finance as founding member to drive the future of the crypto industry

1 NOV 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that it has joined Global Digital Finance (GDF), the industry body driving acceleration and adoption of digital finance, as Founding Member alongside Circle, Coinbase, ConsenSys, Diginex, Hogan Lovells and R3. Together they will support GDF in developing its global strategy and growing a community membership of firms who wish to adhere to the Code of Conduct (the GDF Code) and Taxonomy for Cryptographic Assets, which GDF has just released.

DLA Piper advises DASAN Zhone Solutions on intended acquisition of KEYMILE

24 OCT 2018

DLA Piper has advised NASDAQ-listed DASAN Zhone Solutions (DZS), a global leader in fiber access transformation for enterprise and service provider networks, on its intended acquisition of KEYMILE, a leading solution provider and manufacturer of telecommunication systems for broadband access.

DLA Piper advises STG Partners on the acquisition of Extenda and Visma Retail

4 OCT 2018

DLA Piper has advised STG Partners, a California-based private equity firm focused on investing in innovative software, data, and analytics companies, on its acquisition of Visma Retail and Extenda, two of the most prominent technology providers in the tier 1 & 2 retail industry. STG Partners will merge both companies to form Extenda Retail.

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.

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.

DLA Piper advises exceet Group on sale of its micro- and optoelectronics company AEMtec

27 SEP 2018

DLA Piper has advised the exceet Group on the sale of their portfolio company AEMtec GmbH - the Berlin based micro- and optoelectronics company - to Mellifera Neunundzwanzigste Beteiligungsgesellschaft.

DLA Piper advises India's second largest IT services firm Infosys on the acquisition of Fluidio

26 SEP 2018

DLA Piper has advised Infosys, a global leader in consulting, technology and next-generation services, on the acquisition of Finland-based Fluidio Oy, one of the largest Salesforce (software company) consulting partners in Europe.

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."

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.

DLA Piper advises BTG in acquisition of Novate Medical

10 SEP 2018

DLA Piper represented BTG plc, a global specialist healthcare company, in its acquisition of Novate Medical Ltd.

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.

DLA Piper advises Maryland Proton Treatment Center in US\$277.4 million tax-exempt municipal bond financing

6 SEP 2018

DLA Piper represented Maryland Proton Therapy Center (MPTC) in its US\$277.4 million tax-exempt municipal bond financing.

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 market in building management.

DLA Piper advises Kleos Space on the first ever Australian Stock Exchange IPO by a Luxembourg based company

31 AUG 2018

DLA Piper has advised the Luxembourg based company "Kleos Space" on its initial offer to investors on the Australian Stock Exchange that floated last week. The offer comes in the lead-up to the planned launch of the company's first satellite, built by Danish cubesat manufacturer GomSpace, in mid-2019, to detect radio transmissions and pinpoint their origin and timing. Kleos Space offers satellite technology which responds to Governments needs for new technologies to support to enhance border and maritime security.

DLA Piper advises Russia's e-health startup Doc+ on US\$9 million funding

28 AUG 2018

DLA Piper has advised Doc+, one of the largest Russian digital health startups, on a US\$9 million financing from Vostok New Ventures, a Swedish venture capital firm specializing in growth capital and buyout investments, and their existing investors, private equity fund Baring Vostok and internet company Yandex.

DLA Piper advises Baring Vostok on the acquisition of a minority stake in Belarusian software developer Itransition

23 AUG 2018

DLA Piper has advised Baring Vostok, a private equity fund investing in Russia and the Commonwealth of Independent States, on its acquisition of a minority stake in Itransition, a leading Belarusian software solutions developer and full-spectrum IT services provider.

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.

Tami Howie to join DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Washington, DC

15 AUG 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Tami Howie will join the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Washington, DC.

DLA Piper advises Helios Technologies on acquisition of Custom Fluidpower

13 AUG 2018

DLA Piper has advised Helios Technologies (Nasdaq: SNHY) on the 100% acquisition of Australian business Custom Fluidpower for AU\$35 million (approximately US\$26 million) on 1 August, 2018. The acquisition was funded using cash and shares of SNHY common stock.

DLA Piper advises Franklin Templeton Investments in its Series E investment into Optoro, Inc.

2 AUG 2018

DLA Piper represented Franklin Templeton Investments in connection with its investment into Optoro, Inc.

DLA Piper advises doc.ai in partnership with Anthem, Inc., to launch AI data trial

2 AUG 2018

DLA Piper represented doc.ai in its partnership with Anthem, Inc. to launch a groundbreaking AI data trial on the blockchain.

DLA Piper advises Olive in US\$32.8 million Series D financing

31 JUL 2018

DLA Piper represented Olive, a technology company applying artificial intelligence to healthcare administration, in its US\$32.8 million Series D financing.

DLA Piper contributes in launching "SMART-MONEY" service by Kyivstar, the largest Ukrainian telecom operator by the number of users

13 JUL 2018

DLA Piper Ukraine acted as a legal counsel by phasing-in of "SMART-MONEY" service - fast, convenient and secure way of online payments provided by Kyivstar.

DLA Piper advises Globant S.A. in US\$347.8 million follow-on public offering

11 JUL 2018

DLA Piper advised Globant S.A. (NYSE: GLOB) in the follow-on underwritten offering of Globant shares held by a subsidiary of WPP plc.

DLA Piper advises NEA and General Atlantic in their Series A investment into Automation Anywhere, Inc.

2 JUL 2018

DLA Piper represented co-lead investor New Enterprise Associates (NEA) and investor General Atlantic in connection with an aggregate US\$250 million Series A investment into Automation Anywhere, Inc.

DLA Piper recognized again as a Top Global Outsourcing Advisor

28 JUN 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that the firm has been selected for the 2018 World's Best Outsourcing Advisors list by the International Association of Outsourcing Professionals (IAOP).

DLA Piper secures victory for Transatel SA in landmark telecoms dispute

20 JUN 2018

DLA Piper has secured a victory for the French telecommunications service provider, Transatel SA, in a dispute under telecommunications law before the Federal Network Agency (BNetzA). In this landmark procedure, the BNetzA ordered the German mobile network operator, Telefónica Germany GmbH & Co. OHG, to submit a draft agreement regarding access to regulated wholesale roaming services to Transatel.

Craig Lang joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Silicon Valley

18 JUN 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Craig Lang has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Silicon Valley.

DLA Piper advises Centric Software in definitive agreement to sell majority stake to Dassault Systèmes

14 JUN 2018

DLA Piper represented Centric Software, a venture capital-backed technology platform driving digital transformation with software innovation in the fashion, apparel, luxury and retail sectors, in entering into a definitive agreement to sell a majority stake to Dassault Systèmes.

DLA Piper advises Insilico Medicine in Series A financing

12 JUN 2018

DLA Piper represented Insilico Medicine Inc. in the completion of Series A financing led by WuXi AppTec's Corporate Venture Fund.

Nancy Victory shortlisted for The Deal's Technology and Telecom Lawyer of the Year award

4 JUN 2018

Nancy Victory, co-chair of DLA Piper's global Telecom practice, has been shortlisted for The Deal's Technology and Telecom Lawyer of the Year award.

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

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.

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.

DLA Piper advises Rajax Holding on share transfer to Alibaba's unit Ali Panini

18 MAY 2018

DLA Piper has advised Rajax Holding (Rajax), a leading food delivery business operating under the Ele.me brand, on the transfer of all of the issued shares, not already owned, to Alibaba's unit Ali Panini Investment Holding Limited.

DLA Piper advises GFH Financial Group on acquisition of majority stake in the ENTERTAINER

10 MAY 2018

DLA Piper has advised Bahrain-based investment group, GFH Financial Group B.S.C., on its acquisition of 85 per cent of incentives provider and lifestyle app, the ENTERTAINER.

DLA Piper advises Ping An Healthcare and Technology Company Limited on its pre-IPO restructuring

8 MAY 2018

DLA Piper has advised Ping An Healthcare and Technology Company Limited (Ping An Good Doctor), a subsidiary of Ping An Insurance Group, on its pre-IPO restructuring which enabled the city's biggest IPO to-date, with a valuation of approximately US\$7.5 billion.

DLA Piper advises Ping An Insurance as controlling shareholder on Ping An Healthcare and Technology's US\$1 billion IPO in Hong Kong

4 MAY 2018

DLA Piper has advised Ping An Insurance (Group) Company of China, Ltd. as a controlling shareholder in the successful listing of shares of Ping An Healthcare and Technology Company Limited (Ping An Good Doctor) on the main board of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

DLA Piper advises T-Mobile and Deutsche Telekom in planned merger with Sprint

30 APR 2018

DLA Piper is acting as regulatory counsel representing T-Mobile US, Inc. and Deutsche Telekom, AG in the announced merger

with Sprint Corporation.

DLA Piper advises LabTech on £200M High Holborn acquisition

26 APR 2018

DLA Piper has advised LabTech Investments Inc on the acquisition of 90 High Holborn, a landmark office building in central London. LabTech is a technology and property co-working company whose strategy is to create modern collaborative co-working spaces using cutting edge technology.

DLA Piper advises Bregal Sagemount in sale of Remote DBA Experts

25 APR 2018

DLA Piper represented Bregal Sagemount in the sale of its portfolio company Remote DBA Experts, LLC.

DLA Piper receives *Latin Lawyer* Deal of the Year award

25 APR 2018

DLA Piper received *Latin Lawyer's* Project Finance Deal of the Year award for its representation of Abengoa in the sale of a combined cycle power plant to a consortium consisting of Macquarie Capital and Techint.

Four rankings for DLA Piper Ukraine in the Legal 500 EMEA 2018 Guide

19 APR 2018

DLA Piper in Ukraine has been recognised and ranked in four key practice groups in the latest edition of the Legal 500 Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA) 2018.

DLA Piper advises SparklineData on its acquisition by Oracle

18 APR 2018

DLA Piper represented SparklineData, an industry leader in analytics and smart data warehouse solutions for optimal Business Intelligence, in its acquisition by California-based Oracle Corporation.

DLA Piper advises Airbus Group on appointment of Google as digital workplace provider

12 APR 2018

DLA Piper advised Airbus S.A.S. in selecting Google as preferred service provider within the context of Airbus' Digital Workplace request for proposal. This selection is part of Airbus' general efforts towards digital transformation of the company and of its productivity tools.

DLA Piper advises Catapult on AU\$25M institutional placement

4 APRIL 2018

DLA Piper has advised elite sports technology company Catapult Group International Limited (ASX:CAT) on its successful AU\$25 million institutional placement to fund its growth strategy.

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.

DLA Piper advises industrial internet of things company MOVUS on funding

3 APRIL 2018

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised one of Australia's most exciting high growth companies, industrial IoT machine monitoring company MOVUS, on its Series A Venture Capital Funding Round.

DLA Piper advises Lux Capital Management on recent round of Series A financing

30 MAR 2018

DLA Piper represented Lux Capital in its recent investment in Arraiy, Inc., a computer vision and machine learning platform for special effects.

DLA Piper advises on the sale of cyber security provider Nettitude to Lloyd's Register Group

21 MAR 2018

DLA Piper has advised the shareholders of Nettitude, a market-leading provider of cyber security services, on its sale to Lloyd's Register Group ("LR"), one of the world's leading providers of professional services for the engineering and technology sectors.

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.

DLA Piper advises UK blockchain startup on \$1.5 million financing

9 MAR 2018

DLA Piper has advised Luther Systems, the London-based enterprise blockchain technology company, on the raising of \$1.5 million in seed financing from a group of global investors ahead of its official launch.

DLA Piper advises Accel-KKR on its investment in Kimble Applications

8 MAR 2018

DLA Piper has advised Accel-KKR, a leading Silicon Valley technology focused investment firm, on its investment in Kimble

Applications, the global leader in professional services automation (PSA). The deal was completed on 6 March 2018.

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.

DLA Piper advises ASB Capital in sale of Infomart Data Centers' Dallas operations

15 FEB 2018

DLA Piper represented ASB Capital Management LLC in the sale of Infomart Data Centers' Dallas operations to Equinix, Inc. for US\$800 million.

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 countries in the South East Asia region.

DLA Piper advises Cabinet Group on Funcom joint venture

9 FEB 2018

DLA Piper represented Cabinet Group LLC on tax and Norwegian law matters in its joint venture with Funcom N.V., a Norwegian developer, to establish Heroic Signatures.

DLA Piper advises Softbank Vision Fund in investment in Wag Labs, Inc.

7 FEB 2018

DLA Piper represented SoftBank Vision Fund in connection with its US\$300 million investment in Wag Labs, Inc., a Los Angeles-based startup that provides on-demand mobile dog care services.

DLA Piper has advised LabTech Investments on major Bloomsbury acquisition

5 FEB 2018

DLA Piper has advised LabTech Investments Ltd, a technology and property co-working company, on the acquisition of the freehold of BUPA House, WC1.

DLA Piper hosts Employment Seminar in Romania

5 FEB 2018

DLA Piper has hosted an Employment Workshop in Bucharest, Romania, to discuss some of the main hot topics and developments in Employment Law.

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2 Feb 2018

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.

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.

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.

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.

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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15 Jan 2018

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.

DLA Piper advises BuildingIQ on equity raising

20 DEC 2017

DLA Piper has advised US technology company BuildingIQ (ASX: BIQ) on its latest capital raising to help fund the company's growing sales pipeline and 5i Platform services development.

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.

DLA Piper advises Croda International Plc on its acquisition of IonPhasE

12 DEC 2017

DLA Piper advised UK speciality company, Croda International Plc, on its acquisition of Finnish technology company IonPhasE Oy.

DLA Piper advises Credible on this year's largest tech IPO on ASX

11 DEC 2017

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised US fintech company Credible Labs Inc on its AU\$300 million initial public offering (IPO) and listing on the ASX – the largest tech IPO of the year.

DLA Piper advises CMH Growth Fund on Ymatou investment

4 DEC 2017

DLA Piper has advised CMH Growth Fund as the lead investor in the Series C financing of Ymatou, a leading e-commerce platform in China.

DLA Piper advises Solteq Plc on the acquisition of TM United A/S group

1 DEC 2017

DLA Piper has advised Solteq Plc (Nasdaq: STQ1V) on its acquisition of the entire share capital of TM United A/S.

DLA Piper launches Accelerate to drive company formation, growth and expansion

27 NOV 2017

DLA Piper has launched Accelerate, a website devoted to founders, entrepreneurs, startups, emerging growth companies and the investor community.

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.

DLA Piper advises Buddy Platform on AU\$23 million capital raise

14 NOV 2017

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised leading US-based Internet of Things data aggregation and management platform Buddy Platform Limited (ASX: BUD) (Buddy) on its AU\$23 million capital raising, via an oversubscribed placement.

DLA Piper Dinu advises BT Investments on investment in Timesafe

3 Nov 2017

DLA Piper Dinu has assisted BT Investments, part of the Transilvania Bank Group, in becoming a shareholder in local FinTech startup Timesafe, the developer of payment application Pago. The transaction was advised by BT Capital Partners, the investment banking division of the Transilvania Bank Group, together with DLA Piper.

DLA Piper launches Finance Rules of the World

2 Nov 2017

DLA Piper's global Finance & Projects practice has today launched Finance Rules of the World, a knowledge site for clients, which summarizes key legal questions and answers to be considered when initially looking at financing or investing in particular jurisdictions.

Jason Whiteley joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice as partner

24 OCT 2017

DLA Piper announced today that Jason Whiteley has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner. Whiteley will be based in the firm's Houston and Washington, DC offices.

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.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new partner Charlie MacCready

23 OCT 2017

Charlie brings extensive Canadian and cross-border experience in the areas of mergers and acquisitions, securities, corporate and business law.