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'Minor Blip': Legal Tech Shrugs Off Market Reaction To Claude's Legal Plugin

When Anthropic announced a legal plugin as part of a broader expansion of Claude's Cowork feature last month, it didn't take long for legal tech stocks to plummet.

Since Tuesday, stocks among public legal tech companies Thomson Reuters, LegalZoom, RELX, Wolters Kluwer, DISCO and Intapp saw drops ranging from about 12 to 20%. However, onlookers say the reaction from investors is overblown.

"This is going to be a minor blip rather than a sustained market downturn for legal companies, especially legal companies like Thomson Reuters and RELX of LexisNexis, because those companies have deep bodies of legal content that something like Anthropic does not have access to," Legaltech Hub CEO and cofounder Nicola Shaver told Legaltech News.

While Anthropic's legal plugin can review documents, flag risks and track compliance within Claude's agentic Cowork feature, Shaver explained that the legal plugin only provides users with basic capabilities that legal tech platforms already provide. Such platforms are designed specifically with legal professionals in mind, especially when it comes to security and legal case data.

To many, Claude's legal plugin offers nothing out of the ordinary.

"It's a lot of unsophisticated investors just really thinking that AI is going to immediately overnight take away the business of these legacy players. I think the pricing of the cloud tool is probably the most advantageous part, but a lot of this stuff has been offered for years from the legacy [contract lifecycle management] providers and legacy legal technology providers," said Ryan O'Leary, a research director at International Data Corp.

While the market reaction was swift and dramatic, some don't see a cause for concern.

Joe Borstein, a partner with Baretz + Brunelle, sees Anthropic's new legal tool as an asset to the industry rather than a threat.



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"I really believe in my heart that this is part of a trend of technology being more and more useful for the legal industry, and that increases what legal tech can do now and in the future, and if you increase what it can do, you increase the value of the sector," he said. "[Legal tech companies are] going to use this technology, this is an input in their technology. This is a stepping stone that makes the final output even greater."

The legal plugin is accessible for paid users of Claude. And with its lower barrier to entry, consumers may consult the plugin before they reach out to legal professionals or law firms.

Shaver said this stock downturn might come as more of a warning to consumer-facing legal tech companies like Rocket Lawyer or LegalZoom with features and customer bases that are similar to those of Claude's legal tool.

"This is more likely to have an impact for consumers where they ... quickly want something reviewed, and this is just useful and easy and they have access to it quickly," she said. "It's less likely to be a tool that they turn to when they have a real legal problem that is more than an ad hoc thing that happens to come across their desk. ... If Anthropic continues in this direction, then, yes, some of those providers probably will need to stop and think what it is about their products that make them unique and how it changes competition in the market."

—Ella Sherman

Hodgson Russ Refreshes Leadership With New Managing Partner and CIO

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Davidoff Hutcher & Citron Partner Suspended in SDNY Over Undisclosed Payments

BY EMILY SAUL

A PARTNER at Davidoff Hutcher & Citron has been suspended for three years for failing to disclose that he received \$260,000 in payments from a realty investor during a bankruptcy case.



Jonathan Pasternak admitted in court papers that he introduced a debtor client to embattled investor Sam Sprei, but failed to tell the client or the bankruptcy court that Sprei had previously promised to pay Pasternak "finder's fees" for making those connections.

Sprei, according to court papers, went on to fund the bankruptcy's

reorganizations and issued four checks to Pasternak at milestones throughout the process.

Those milestones included Sprei's introduction to Pasternak's client and the court's confirmation of the reorganization plan.

In bankruptcy proceedings, an attorney must be found to be "disinterested," or no material interests other than those of their client, before appearing in a case.

An order from the SDNY Committee on Grievances suspending Pasternak was made public on Jan. 31. The ruling, which takes effect on Feb. 9, said Pasternak agreed to the suspension and admitted he used the majority of the money to buy a home.

At the time of the conduct, he was a partner at DelBello Donnellan Weingarten Wise & Wiederkehr. He joined his current firm in 2019.

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Scott Barshay, along with Brad Karp, helped transform Paul Weiss. Their leadership styles are radically different.

Barshay Brings New Leadership Style And 'Cultural Change' To Paul Weiss

BY PATRICK SMITH

WHEN Paul Weiss announced late Wednesday that chair Brad Karp was stepping down from leadership after 18 years at the helm, it wasn't overly surprising that the firm chose Scott Barshay, head of the firm's lucrative corporate practice, as its next leader.

But Karp and Barshay, while working together since 2016 to grow the firm in ways most other firms can only hope for, have radically different leadership styles, and after 18 years of one, the other

could come as a shock inside Paul Weiss, industry insiders say.

Until his relationship with Epstein was exposed, Karp, several sources said, was the consummate coalition builder, able to develop trust and relationships quickly and hold them. Many pointed to the changes made during his tenure (the focus leaning toward corporate, massive partnership and headcount expansion, the creation of a nonequity tier) as evidence of that ability.

Evidence of his recruiting talent includes his courtship of Barshay back in 2016.

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SDNY U.S. Attorney **Jay Clayton** said at the Securities Enforcement Forum on Feb. 5 that his office aims to secure non-prosecution agreements "as quickly as possible" for companies that self-report potential misconduct.

SDNY Chief Promises 'Big Carrot' For Businesses That Cooperate With Criminal Probes

BY ALYSSA AQUINO

U.S. ATTORNEY Jay Clayton for the Southern District of New York on Thursday offered "a big carrot" for companies that cooperate with his office on criminal matters, a potential non-prosecution agreement.

Clayton made the announcement during the Securities Enforcement Forum New York, when asked what message he wanted to send to companies consider-

ing self-reporting bad behavior. "Our approach is going to be, let's get an [non-prosecution agreement] signed as quickly as possible," said Clayton. "My aim is to get the bad people out of hopefully the good companies, and to do that as quickly as possible."

"This should be in the interest of shareholders, for the leaders of companies to get sufficiently to the bottom of the criminal activity," he said.

Non-prosecution agreements are arrangements in

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Retired Justice Arthur Engoron Lands at Phillips Nizer

BY EMILY SAUL

RETIRED Manhattan Supreme Court Justice Arthur Engoron has joined Phillips Nizer as senior counsel in its litigation practice, the firm announced in a press release on Thursday.

"Justice Engoron's depth of experience and understanding of the trial courts is a strategic asset to our litigation team and our clients," Marc Landis, Managing Partner of Phillips Nizer, said in a statement announcing the hiring. "His ability to offer practical, courtroom-informed guidance strengthens our firm's commitment to delivering thoughtful and effective advocacy."



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Former Justice **Arthur Engoron** served on the civil bench in Manhattan for nearly a decade before stepping down at the end of 2025.

Engoron, who served on the bench for more than a decade, retired at the end of 2025

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Ex-SDNY Chief's Advice on Parallel Probes? Don't Treat The SEC as the 'B-Team'

BY ALYSSA AQUINO

IF FACING both criminal and civil heat, don't treat the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission as the "B-team," the former U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York, Damian Williams, advised on Thursday.

Williams, currently a partner at Jenner & Block, gave the advice dur-

ing an early morning panel on how to mount a defense when a client is facing parallel investigations from criminal and civil authorities.

Although a criminal investigation carries the possibility of jail time, lawyers shouldn't pay less attention to civil regulators, Williams said.

If "the criminal authorities go away, and the SEC is left at the table, and you spent a year of an investigation treating them like

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Former SDNY U.S. Attorney **Damian Williams** cautioned on Feb. 5 that treating the SEC "like the B-team" after criminal authorities step away can be a costly mistake.

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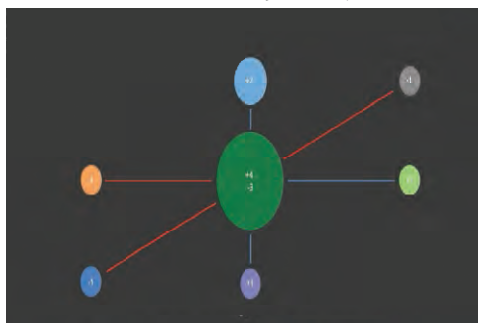


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Leon Black, Legal Strategy and the NY Times: What Karp Was Talking About With Epstein

BY RYAN HARROFF AND DAN ROE

A DEEPER review of emails between Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison former chairman Brad Karp and Jeffrey Epstein shows that Epstein was asking Karp about whether Karp client Leon Black was using drugs—an exchange that occurred at the same time that Karp was representing Black in a fee dispute against Epstein.

Ultimately, the two exchanged notes on several subjects not yet fully detailed in media reports to date—including Epstein's own legal issues.

In a series of emails in March 2017, Epstein detailed conversations he allegedly had with Black, former Apollo Global Management chairman, on the subject of drugs. Karp responded that he “got a lot of the same blowback” as Epstein did in that confrontation.

These exchanges occurred while Karp was representing Black in a years-long fee dispute against Epstein, according to the date stamps on the emails released in the U.S. Justice Department's latest tranche of Epstein material.

Asked for a reaction to the emails, a representative for Black said, “This is insane, stupid and completely ridiculous,” in an email to Law.com.

Meanwhile, Karp, in an email Thursday, stated that he did not discuss any alleged drug use by

Black, “about which I know nothing,” Karp said. “Epstein makes that claim.”

Other emails showed Karp discussing the fee dispute with Epstein, including in situations where Epstein disparaged Black, as well as the two discussing the legal proceedings of Epstein and New England Patriots owner Robert Kraft.

The first of the emails Law.com identified in Epstein and Karp's conversation was sent by Epstein to Karp on March 20, 2017, and read in part, “someone who i respect asked me if leon was doing coke. . . when i said i know little about-drugs. but didnt think so . - they asked me what planet i lived on. ? wanted your thoughts,” [sic].

Karp replied about four hours after that message with, “That's really not good. Did you share with Leon?”

Three days later, Epstein sent Karp an email which said in part, “I confronted him [Black] on the drugs and he said he used to alot but hasnt for many many years. (news to me). as he hasntpaid a dime as of today,” [sic]. Epstein went on to describe details of his fee dispute with Black that he said also came up during the confrontation.

Karp replied, “Wow. We need to speak.” It is unclear in the email whether Karp meant he needed to speak with Epstein, Black, or both at the same time.

Another three days after that exchange, on March 26, 2017,



Leon Black, former Apollo Global Management chairman

Epstein and Karp once again discussed a meeting that Epstein had with Black, a discussion which again featured Epstein's personal allegations against Black, including that he was “out of control.” Epstein said that Black “would have none of it” and rejected his criticisms.

Later that day, Karp replied to Epstein, “I got a lot of the same blow back. Very difficult.”

Epstein Vents

Multiple emails showed Karp receiving criticism from Epstein about Black, Karp's client.

In an August 3, 2017, email, Epstein reminds Karp to “look

surprised” in an upcoming meeting—apparently involving Black—where Epstein advises Karp: “Feel free to bring up that we never had our fees owed discussion amongst us.”

Karp responded, “Understood. So I don't know anything?”

“Correct. Zero,” Epstein replied. In a sprawling rant from Epstein that October, the disgraced financier discussed Black's situation as he viewed it, saying “we live in a world where men in power cannot be seen to be taking advantage of young (20s) women.” Epstein also referenced a mistress, saying “having his mistress and family partnership appear on top of one another on the cap tables is also asking for trouble.”

Karp replied, “Ugh; got it. Haven't spoken to him about any of this stuff in weeks. The three of us really need to get together.”

Within a week, Epstein emailed Karp, “Leon?”

“Wait and react mode,” Karp replied.

“Ok so no news?” Epstein said before he pressed Karp about the issue of his fees.

“I brought it up today and made no progress,” Karp replied. “Let me try again, in a different way.”

Legal Issues for Epstein, Robert Kraft

In the spring of 2019, after the Miami Herald's reporting identified Epstein as an alleged child sex trafficker, Karp discussed the legal issues of Epstein and New England Patriots owner Robert Kraft with Epstein.

On March 2, Epstein emailed Karp, “have the letter to editor NYT ready to rock. Directed to who? Sent how? Will be signed by ken marty jack maybe roy.” (Those names may refer to some of Epstein's former lawyers, including Kenneth Starr and Martin Weinberg.)

Karp replied with the names of his editorial contacts at the Times: (then) deputy managing editor Matthew Purdy, deputy managing editor Rebecca Blumenstein, business editor Ellen Pollock and (then) op-ed editor Jim Dao.

“I would send by email,” Karp added. “The draft looked strong.”

On March 4 of that year, an op-ed ran in the New York Times opinion section signed by Epstein's legal team titled “Jeffrey Epstein's Attorneys: A Fair Plea Deal.”

The same day, Karp shared information from Robert Kraft's lawyer with Epstein about Kraft's deal “toughening” and prosecutors “insisting on a guilty plea right now.”

Epstein replied, “tried to call,” and said he was “trying to get a non pros if such and such is done.”

“But (it) has to be for everyone. Not only for kraft,” Epstein continued. “Some of his (other) suggestions I will need to tell you on the phone.”

Media reports indicate Kraft hasn't commented on Epstein emails discussing him. The Kraft Group did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

Meanwhile, on March 3, Karp emailed Epstein to discuss a draft motion intended to prevent the reopening of Epstein's 2008 non-prosecution agreement.

“The case law is totally stacked in favor of our position. Even the equities are — particularly liked the argument that the ‘victims’ lied in wait and sat on their rights for their strategic advantage, knowing you were in prison, before they came forward,” Karp wrote at the time.

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Law Firm Disrupted: The Door for Private Capital in Big Law Will Stay Cracked

BY DAVID GIALANELLA

FOR as robust as the narrative has been—and even with evidence that the transformation at smaller firms is already underway—leaders remain skeptical that a splashy private capital investment in Big Law is imminent.

Take these remarks from a recent group discussion involving Am Law 100 leaders:

- Outside investment would likely be structured more like private credit than private equity, but “any one of our firms—we can issue debt right now,” one leader said.
- A large law firm entering a third-party investment scenario would be “a massive undertaking,” the same leader said. “It won't be for the faint of heart. It's complicated. This is not, ‘let's go borrow a bunch

of money and figure out how to use it strategically.”

• Another agreed that debt or preferred equity would be a likely structure, but most industry leaders talking about these concepts think only small or midsize firms are open to that plunge.

• Another said midsize firms are more primed for outside investment than large ones because they have a more pressing need for capital. “They're facing a very scary moment...they're in a much more desperate position.” Yet another agreed, adding, “it's the midsize firms that most need the added heft” that a pure injection of liquidity would provide.

Doubts are plentiful, and there are a lot of “buts” to go around. But the possibility is not being completely foreclosed. In the same

discussion, a firm leader noted that many law firms are agreeing to hear investor pitches on third-party investment. “Every firm says ‘yes’ to an hour,” the leader said. And the whole group acknowledged that just about everyone on the legal industry side and the investor side is at least conceptually open to it. Particularly on the investor side, “pick a name, and I guarantee they're looking at it,” one leader said.

Why is the door staying cracked? As Paul Hodgkinson recently wrote, it's because outside capital might contain the key to Big Law's most intractable challenge.

While a so-called “black swan event” is a compelling reason to explore different methods of capitalization—and existential threats, unforeseen and otherwise, have been very much in Big Law's consciousness over the past year-plus—talent retention is the real reason behind the curiosity

about outside money, to hear most firm leaders in this segment tell it.

“It just doesn't make sense” for an industry of Big Law's size and complexity to have effectively zero options when it comes to talent retention, a firm leader said during our discussion, positing that partner compensation could come in the form of restricted stock in a vehicle that is not subject to attorney ethics rules. “I agree it's bizarre we can't lock up our talent at all,” another firm leader said in agreement.

Firms who've looked to implement retention measures such as mandatory notice periods often see those measures prove ineffective, their frustrated leaders have told us.

Meanwhile, even in a post-executive order environment that's been anything but calm—complete with firm dissolution, unplanned leader-

ship transition, and another wave of unwanted federal agency attention in just the first few weeks of 2026—the upheaval is not scaring firms away from poaching talent, and not scaring laterals away from packing their bags. Over the past month alone, across Law.com sites there have been upward of 200 articles covering individual and group laterals across U.S. and international markets.

As one firm leader pointed out to us, allowing outside money in would neutralize what's effectively been a monopoly. Only lawyers can own law firms, so while business models and ethics rules prohibit locking up talent, the lawyers, in the end, are competing only with one another. Adding non-lawyer investors to the mix dramatically broadens that competitive landscape.

What's more, embarking partners on the “major cultural shift” (as one leader put it) to accepting

deferred compensation rather than full annual distribution will be no easy task. There is also the client calculus: While those in private capital might be warm to such changes, those in other sectors might not be. And in any case, outside investment will implicate legal departments' longstanding “love-hate relationship with law firms making money,” a leader observed.

Law partners might never be prevented from leaving, but can Big Law build corporate-style comp models making it just too hard to leave? Hodgkinson, above, offers a hell of a blueprint. Now we must see if another year of Big Law chaos—from perpetual free agency moves to the stuff we can't possibly see coming—turns curiosity into something much more.

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Crypto Spurs SEC–CFTC Cooperation, But Regulatory Lines Remain Blurry

BY DAN NOVAK

WHEN the chairs of the Securities and Exchange Commission and Commodity Futures Trading Commission met last month to discuss regulatory “harmonization,” they promised to end conflict between the agencies and work together—especially on cryptocurrency markets.

“I've seen the good, bad, and ugly of cooperation or non-cooperation... between the two agencies,” said SEC Chair Paul Atkins. “I think this is really a problem of overlapping jurisdiction [which] can be solved by collaboration. We have the same goals as far as building markets. And as you heard, making America the crypto capital of the world.”

The United States is unique in having two separate regulators overseeing securities markets and commodity and futures markets, which has led to duplicative regulations and requirements to register with both agencies, Atkins said. To compete with other countries and improve U.S. crypto markets, the two agencies will need to



U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission building in Washington D.C.

work better together, he added.

Collaboration between the agencies is a good first step in coordinating their regulation of digital assets and providing regulatory clarity to market participants, even if it remains unclear how they will delineate clear areas of jurisdiction without congressional action, capital markets attorneys said.

There may be other areas in which the agencies can harmonize regulators efforts, but crypto is the driving force behind the cooperation, the lawyers added.

“I think while the talk of turf wars over much of the previous decade may have been hyperbolic, there plainly was at a minimum a rivalry or contest for

jurisdiction, especially over digital assets,” said Morgan Lewis & Bockius partner Stacie Hartman. “But I think last week's harmonization event reflects an intention not only to collaborate, but perhaps even coordinate their activities in digital assets and beyond.”

The dividing line over jurisdiction ultimately comes down to whether a digital asset is a commodity regulated by the CFTC or a security regulated by the SEC, Hartman said.

Both Atkins and CFTC Chair Michael Selig have said that most digital assets are indeed commodities, an opinion shared by the crypto industry. However, many crypto products do not easily fall into one of two categories, said Stradley Ronon Stevens & Young partner Shawn Hendricks.

The agencies have agreed that certain tokens like Bitcoin, Ethereum and Solana fall squarely in the commodities bucket, Hendricks said. But jurisdictional issues get more complicated when those commodities are packaged as funds and sold as securities, he added. The two agencies have also

sparred over jurisdiction of crypto derivatives.

The SEC and CFTC “didn't really get into specifics on what [the collaboration] really means and what's going to come from it,” Hendricks said.

Both agencies have different regulatory frameworks for the markets they oversee and it remains unclear which framework is more appropriate for crypto, said former SEC Division of Enforcement senior counsel Rebecca Fike.

“Making something new is hard; making something new by committee is even harder,” she said. “I know what the problem is. I don't know what the solution is.”

In Fike's view, any jurisdictional conflict between the market regulators arose out of a genuine belief they were the right agency to handle any particular issue.

Hartman, however, said she has experienced instances in which the agencies jockey for position on certain enforcement issues and open inconsistent parallel investigations that became onerous, which was a problem in previous administrations. The commissions may now be

getting direction from the Trump White House in how they should approach operating together, since this administration does not believe that an executive agency can be independent of the president, said former CFTC general counsel Rob Schwartz.

“I think things like turf wars are less likely under those circumstances,” added Schwartz, a partner at Morgan Lewis & Bockius.

Hendricks said it is essential, if the United States is to be a leader in the crypto industry, to have a joint effort between the SEC and CFTC to clearly explain to the market how crypto products will be regulated. But have the agencies succeeded so far in providing clarity to the crypto industry?

“Not really,” said Fike, a partner at Reed Smith.

Still, the agencies' retreat from earlier enforcement actions has signaled to the market that—even if regulators have yet to settle on a regulatory framework—“we're not going to get in your way for now,” Fike said.

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RELIGION LAW

Ensuring Proper Financial Oversight For Religious Organizations

Much as religious organizations are spiritual bodies granted unique protections behind the venerable wall of separation between church and state, they are also temporal entities subject to the same types of secular laws that govern traditional corporations. Church corporations are businesses. They need to raise, conserve, and wisely spend funds to further their not-for-profit purposes. As such, it is imperative that they implement and maintain a reliable mechanism for financial governance. The lack of adequate oversight can swiftly lead an organization into instability and endanger its continued viability.

This column will consider some of the fundamentals of financial governance to which all religious organizations should adhere. Familial as church bodies may naturally tend to be, financial integrity is as crucial for the assurance of legal compliance as it is for the provision of good stewardship for sacred funds.

Putting the Right People in Charge

Proper financial oversight starts with securing qualified individuals with the requisite skill and experience to run an organization's finances. Many churches will elect a board of trustees, which will in turn select officers, including at minimum a president, a treasurer, and a secretary, to direct and guide its governance. The treasurer must, by virtue of the position's basic requirements, have a background in and significant comfort with financial matters such as accounting, bookkeeping, or banking. But all officers should ideally have basic familiarity with financial fundamentals. While the treasurer will ultimately

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be responsible for spearheading a religious organization's finances, it is often important to establish a finance committee. Headed by the treasurer, the committee can envision, establish, oversee, and enforce a smart and effective system for financial governance. Nowadays, certain aspects of a church's finances can be successfully outsourced. With the digitization of certain professions,

Financial policies are usually adopted by the board of trustees, which is ultimately tasked with assuring that the policies are meaningful, workable, and reflect the corporate

accounting, bookkeeping, and other firms have captured significant market share in providing churches with off-premises financial services. With the increase in awareness of the need to be financially compliant, many faith-based organizations choose to lean on these outside professionals who are highly experienced in the unique ins and outs of church tax, finance, and accounting, while saving costs associated with overhead, education, and training. This approach can ease the burden of establishing appropriate mechanisms while strengthening oversight and enforcement.

Adopting and Enforcing Appropriate Policies and Procedures

Beyond having the right team in place, religious organizations should also adopt comprehensive financial policies and procedures, which lay out clear standards and

expectations. Considering the detail involved in creating financial policies, they should be updated periodically, to reflect the organization's growth as well as changes in relevant rules and regulations. The policies thus support and provide practical depth for the organization's bylaws.

Financial policies are usually adopted by the board of trustees, which is ultimately tasked with assuring that the policies are meaningful, workable, and reflect the corporate mission. As is the case with most aspects of a church organization, doctrine and spiritual traditions affect even its most mundane facets, like financial management.

Financial policies should clearly outline procedures for developing and modifying the budget, establishing spending limits and approval requirements, managing donations, determining who has authority to access bank accounts and sign checks, maintaining records, and addressing conflicts of interest. For example, donor-fund procedures may require that at least two individuals review donations on a rotating basis, and that checks above a specified amount carry dual signatures. These policies should also include clear authorization protocols so that leaders and staff understand exactly who is responsible for various financial decisions and approvals.

To support routine expenditures, religious organizations often maintain one or more credit cards issued to specific individuals, such as the minister, treasurer, or other designated officers. For proper accounting and oversight, only the individual whose name appears on the card should make purchases with it. Cards should never be shared, as informal "lending" can create accountability problems for the cardholder and erode trust in the organization's financial practices. Card numbers and other sensitive information should therefore be kept confidential to prevent unauthorized use. Monthly credit card statements should be reviewed and approved » Page 7

DOMESTIC ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

White House Efforts To Block Offshore Wind Fail in Court

The White House has made no secret of the president's animosity towards wind energy, particularly offshore wind, and in fact has taken concrete steps to thwart the industry. On Jan. 20, 2025 the president issued a Presidential Memorandum that, among other things, purported to halt the federal review and permitting of wind projects in the planning, design and application stages (Wind Order). A district court has already ruled that the Wind Order is illegal, though federal defendants will likely appeal. See *New York v. Trump*, 25-cv-11221 (D. Mass., Dec. 8, 2025).

The administration then quickly shifted tactics; on Dec. 22, 2025 the Acting Director of the U.S. Bureau of Ocean Energy Management issued an order suspending leases for five fully permitted and under-construction offshore wind projects on land leased by the federal government a decade or so ago, including two that would supply power to New York. (Suspension Order). All five developers have sued and thus far every court to weigh in (four) has ruled that (i) the Suspension Order is likely illegal and (ii) plaintiffs would suffer irreparable harm without an injunction. This article summarizes the current litigation status, New York's unique interests in offshore wind, and global repercussions.

The Wind Order Was Intended To Halt Future Offshore Wind Projects

On Jan. 20, 2025 Donald Trump issued a Presidential Memorandum titled "Temporary Withdrawal of all Areas on the Outer Continental Shelf from Offshore Wind Leasing and Review of the Federal Government's Leasing and Permitting Practices for Wind Projects" (90 Fed. Reg. 8363). It withdrew submerged lands from future leasing for wind under the Outer Continental Shelves Lands Act



By **Karen Meara** And **Chris Rizzo**

(OCSLA) (leaving them available for oil and gas production) and directed relevant agency heads to halt review and permitting of onshore and offshore wind projects that have not yet received federal approvals. Ironically some of the impacted projects secured their lease rights during the first Trump administration.

These impacts are heightened by the projects' sensitive location on the East Coast and the potential to cause serious, immediate, and irreparable harm to our great nation.

The U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts Has Vacated the Wind Order and Declared It Unlawful

In *New York v. Trump*, the federal district court for the District of Massachusetts decisively ruled that the Wind Order violates the Administrative Procedures Act. The plaintiffs include not only New York, but also 16 other states ranging from Massachusetts to Arizona (and an intervenor, the Alliance for Clean Energy, New York). The defendants include President Donald Trump and a slew of agency heads and agencies. The broad plaintiff group underscores the importance of both upland and offshore wind to the energy plans and economies of many American states.

Plaintiffs argued that the Wind Order itself, and the agencies' decisions to follow the president's directives were both arbitrary and

capricious, and contrary to law. Ultimately the court agreed, and rejected Defendants position that, in acting on the president's directive to halt reviews and permitting for wind projects, the agencies were by definition acting legally and rationally (i.e., "the president made me do it.") The court reasoned that unless a statute gives the executive branch the authority to dictate the terms of a permitting scheme (which the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, OCSLA, and other relevant environmental laws do not), federal agencies cannot hide behind an executive memorandum or order to justify their actions. (distinguishing the U.S. Supreme Court's recent decision in *Trump v. Orr*, ___ U.S. ___ (2025) because the underlying statute in *Orr* committed the "exercise of discretion to... the president" himself").

The court further stated, "[t] his scant administrative record makes clear, and the Agency Defendants do not meaningfully dispute, that the Agency Defendants have not 'reasonably considered the relevant issues and reasonably explained their decision' to implement the Wind Order... Indeed, the Agency Defendants candidly concede" the sole basis for their actions is a presidential order. The court also held that the order's "halt" on permitting and other reviews and decision making violated the APA's requirements that agencies "conclude . . . matter[s] presented" to them and "make [their] decision[s]" on applications "within a reasonable time." (citations omitted)

Despite the plaintiffs' victory in court, it is not clear whether federal agencies will in fact restart review and permitting for the 15 to 20 projects in the permitting pipeline (to say nothing of the hundreds of upland projects).

The Suspension Order Was Intended to Halt Five Major Projects Under Construction

On Dec. 22, 2025 the acting director of the Department of Interior's Bureau of Ocean Energy Management issued sweeping orders to five offshore wind » Page 7



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Off the Front

Barshay

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“He (Barshay) is viewed as a star who left Cravath (Swaine & Moore) at a time when very few people did,” one insider said, speaking anonymously to speak candidly. “It was one of the biggest ‘gets’ of all time is the way it is viewed. He came into a firm historically known for litigation and built a massive corporate practice.”

Barshay joined Paul Weiss as global head of M&A, ascending to head of the firm’s overall corporate practice prior to being named chair on Wednesday.

Another industry insider said that Barshay is “a brilliant operator” and that “when he turns it on, he is very charming.”

Indeed, several openly praised Barshay’s talents, skill and leadership inside Paul Weiss.

“The firm’s growth—particularly on the corporate side—was steady and meaningful early on, and once Scott Barshay arrived, it became truly explosive,” said New York recruiter Michael Parrillo, founder of Parrillo Search Group. “Together, Brad and Scott built a genuinely world-class destination corporate practice with marquee clients, and they scaled it in a shorter period of time than we’ve seen at any other firm.”

Another top recruiter, Sabina Lippman, also praised Barshay. “He is someone who has the gravitas, practice and heft in the legal community to make sense as the obvious choice for the next chair,” Lippman, firmwide managing partner at recruiting firm CenterPeak Still, some lawyers, inside and outside the firm, find Barshay polarizing, several sources said.

A former lawyer at Paul Weiss, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said Barshay is controversial inside the firm. “He can be abrasive and does not have Brad’s diplomatic flair,” noted the lawyer, but acknowledged that Barshay “has an amazing practice and is great with client relationships.”

For Paul Weiss, whose roots are in litigation, Barshay will be the first M&A partner to lead the

firm in its modern history. Karp, a litigator, succeeded former chair Alfred Youngwood, a tax partner, in 2008. “As a cultural matter, the litigators have never been led by a corporate partner,” the lawyer said. “Will the litigation team have an issue with the firm becoming really a corporate shop with a litigation arm, rather than the other way?”

Barshay is “unapologetically direct and clear about what his expectations are,” said another source. “A lot of people aren’t like that. You know exactly where you stand with him.”

“He has very high expectations,” this source added. “If you don’t do the work, you’re out of the inner circle very quickly, but if you perform, he will support and do everything he can to help you, which is exactly the type of cultural change that has been needed at most elite law firms.”

“He’s going to be an amazing law firm leader, but he’s going to be less forgiving than Brad, who probably gave more second chances,” the source added.

Others said Barshay has been the de facto leader of Paul Weiss for some time now, anyway. “He was widely seen as the power behind the power, the guy in the back room pulling strings with Karp out front,” a source said.

The former Paul Weiss lawyer said the firm’s recent move to a black box compensation system was largely driven by Barshay, including his team’s need to pay more than \$20 million a year to top private equity partners.

Big Law Standards

According to multiple sources, Barshay, back in 2016, had “gone down the path pretty far” with a couple of firms, including Kirkland & Ellis and Jones Day, before choosing Paul Weiss.

Once Barshay arrived, there were shifts in the firm’s overall ethos.

“When he got there, the firm immediately became more businesslike and less like a partnership,” a source said. “It was more bottom-line-driven.”

Amid the firm’s focus on grow-

ing out its private equity department and luring talent from other firms, Paul Weiss skyrocketed up the Am Law 100 rankings, in revenue and profit in the last several years.

It isn’t uncommon for Big Law firms to hire, and keep, figures that aren’t necessarily polite, as long as they bring in business. And Barshay certainly has, working on many of the largest and most influential deals of the last decade. The firm also grew its institutional business with heavyweights such as Chevron, General Electric and Mylan.

Still, sources say the skillsets between serving as a dealmaker and serving as a firm leader are different. Paul Weiss litigators, in particular, may feel uncertain. “A lot of litigators went there for Brad. He was a magnetic personality,” said a source.

Until Karp was ousted from leadership, “Brad showed you can lead the firm and still practice. But, there is a lot of handholding (as chair), care and feeding of the partnership that I don’t think are Scott’s strong suit, unless he makes it that,” one source said.

Others did not share that sentiment.

Barshay, Parrillo said, “has long been regarded as a preeminent deal lawyer and a leader with rare judgment and credibility who brings a unique ability to combine elite-level practice with thoughtful, strategic leadership, and he is clearly the right person to guide the firm into its next phase of growth.”

Several sources said they expect some tumult ahead, as there is in any firm leadership change. That can include partner moves and compensation changes.

Departures due to the leadership change “will shake itself out,” one source said. “It won’t look good, and there will be stories, but they will weather that. Can their rivals really do damage by getting people they can’t afford to lose? That is hard to tell.”

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Engoron

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upon reaching New York’s mandatory judicial retirement age of 76. In a recent interview with the New York Law Journal and Law.com, he called the laws mandating age-based retirement “discrimination, pure and simple.”

At Phillips Nizer, Engoron will advise on trial preparation, litigation strategy, motion practice and case assessment, the firm said.

“After many years on the bench, I am pleased to join Phillips Nizer and to work alongside a team of highly skilled litigators,” Engoron said in a statement. “I look forward to contributing my experience to the firm’s work and to continuing my long-standing commitment to mentorship and legal education.”

Engoron confirmed he remains a neutral arbitrator and mediator with National Arbitration and Mediation.

Engoron was elected to the Supreme Court in 2015 and, pri-

or to that, served as an Acting Supreme Court Justice and on the Civil Court bench of the City of New York. Before becoming a judge, he was a cab driver, a musician, a litigator and a Principal Law Clerk to now retired Supreme Court Justice Martin Schoenfeld.

In his years on the bench, Engoron oversaw numerous disputes, including the historic civil fraud trial of then-former President Donald Trump.

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Suspension

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Larry Hutcher, founder and managing partner of Davidoff Hutcher & Citron, said Pasternak would remain at the firm during his suspension. He will continue to practice outside the SDNY unless and until he faces reciprocal suspensions, Hutcher said.

He stressed that Pasternak disclosed the allegations at the time of his hiring and at the time was confident the charges would be dismissed.

“We know that at all times he was associated with us, he conducted himself in the most ethical and professional manner,” Hutcher said.

Hutcher told the New York Law Journal and Law.com that Pasternak was declining to comment.

Pasternak did not respond to phone and email messages seeking comment.

The underlying litigation

involves a 2011 Chapter 11 bankruptcy for 261 East Realty Corporation, which had an ownership interest in a commercial property on the Upper East Side. The entity filed for bankruptcy after its secured lender, MB Financial, moved for foreclosure and intended to use the bankruptcy to refinance or restructure its debt.

The property’s owner, Lee Moncho, hired Pasternak to handle the bankruptcy in 2013. Pasternak introduced Moncho to Sprei in late 2013. Between that date and the plan closing in January 2014, Sprei cut Pasternak a series of checks, including a \$200,000 “success fee” following the confirmation hearing.

Pasternak did not disclose any of the payments, according to the grievance committee. Moncho filed a malpractice lawsuit against Pasternak in 2017 over the connection with Sprei, and DelBello Donnellan Weingarten Wise & Wiederkehr discovered a payment during an internal investigation.

The firm alerted the bankruptcy court.

The grievance committee said that Pasternak claims his attorney subsequently disclosed the payment to the U.S. Trustee in 2018, but the trustee denied ever receiving that disclosure. Pasternak later admitted to receiving the payment during discovery in Moncho’s case.

Sprei and his onetime partner, Chaim Miller, have become known in real estate circles for engaging in lengthy litigation, and Sprei was recently named in a lawsuit accusing him and a newly ex-judge of escrow fraud.

Judge Edward Harold King resigned last week following an agreement with the New York State Commission on Judicial Conduct, which was investigating him on various claims.

An attorney for Sprei did not immediately return messages seeking comment.

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Judicial Ethics

Opinions From the Advisory Committee on Judicial Ethics

The Advisory Committee on Judicial Ethics responds to written inquiries from New York state’s approximately 3,600 judges and justices, as well as hundreds of judicial hearing officers, support magistrates, court attorney-referees, and judicial candidates (both judges and non-judges seeking election to judicial office). The committee interprets the Rules Governing Judicial Conduct (22 NYCRR Part 100) and, to the extent applicable, the Code of Judicial Conduct. The committee consists of 28 current and retired judges, and is co-chaired by the Honorable Debra L. Givens, an acting justice of the supreme court

in Erie County, and the Honorable Lillian Wan, an associate justice of the appellate division, second department.

Opinion: 25-130

Digest: A judge who receives an insurance reserve balance payment from the judge’s former law firm is disqualified for two years from all cases involving the firm. The two-year period commences from the date of payment. The disqualification is subject to remittal.

Rules: Judiciary Law § 14; 22 NYCRR 100.2; 100.2(A); 100.3(E)(1); 100.3(E)(1)(b)(ii); 100.3(E)(1)(c); 100.3(F); Opinions 21-22(A); 21-17; 16-38; 16-24; 11-21.

Opinion: The inquiring full-time judge was previously an equity partner at a law firm. After taking the bench, the judge sought to terminate his/her financial connections to the firm, including any retirement or pension benefits. However, the judge recently received a separate payment from the law firm for a return of the judge’s “insurance reserve balance.” The law firm » Page 6

Outside Counsel

Batter Up! Spectator Liability And Assumption of the Risk

With spring training right around the corner, it’s a good time to revisit New York’s limited duty of care regarding the ubiquitous risk of spectator injuries. Whether described as the “Baseball Rule” or the “limited duty of care,” or the “doctrine of primary assumption of the risk,” in New York, spectators often strike out when making injury claims.

‘Akins’

The limited duty of care, also known as the “Baseball Rule,” was decided in the New York Court of Appeals case, *Akins v. Glens Falls City School Dist.*, 53 NY2d 325, 331 (1981).

In *Akins*, the Court of Appeals defined the scope of the duty owed by the proprietor of a baseball field to the spectators attending its games. The specific question presented was whether such an owner, having provided protective screening for the area behind home plate, is liable in negligence for the injuries sustained by a spectator as a result of being struck by a ball while in an unscreened portion of the field.

Akins involved a high school baseball game that was being played on a field owned and maintained by the Glen Falls City School District. The plaintiff elected to view the game behind a three-foot fence along the third base line, approximately 10-15 feet from the end of the backstop and 60 feet from home plate. The plaintiff was struck in the eye by a sharply hit foul ball and sustained serious bodily injuries. There was no proof that the screened bleachers behind home plate were filled or that the plaintiff was prevented from watching the game from behind that area. These facts unraveled the plaintiff’s eventual negligence claim.

The Court of Appeals determined that the owner of a baseball

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field is not an insurer of the safety of its spectators. Rather, like any owner or occupier of land, it is only under a duty to exercise “reasonable care under the circumstances to prevent injury to those who come to watch the games played on its field.”

Consequently, after surveying how other jurisdictions had resolved the critical question of what amount of screening must be provided before it will be found to have discharged its duty of care to spectators, the Court of Appeals created the limited duty of care, also known as the “Baseball Rule.”

The decision reinforces that a ballpark’s duty is limited and does not require eliminating the inherent risks of the game.

Akins established that the duty of care owed to spectators at a baseball game is a limited one. A stadium owner or operator satisfies its duty by providing screening behind home plate, the area of greatest danger, and ensuring that such screening is sufficient to protect as many spectators as may be reasonably be expected to desire such seating. The owner or operator is not required to screen all seating sections or eliminate inherent risks in the sport. Liability arises only if a plaintiff was seated in (or sought access to) the protected area or if the adequacy of that behind-home-plate screening is challenged.

Akins has been cited in numerous decisions, including *Rosenfeld v. Hudson Val. Stadium Corp.*, 65 A.D.3d 1117, 1118 (2009). *Rosenfeld* involved a spectator who sustained injuries while in a picnic area located at a minor league stadium.

The court reiterated the limited duty of care, holding that the owner is liable only if a plaintiff was seated in (or sought access to) the protected area or if the adequacy of that behind-home-plate screening is challenged. *Rosenfeld* established that unless these factors were raised, a negligence action will face dismissal.

Baseball Rule v. Assumption of Risk

While the *Akins* court observed that the doctrine of primary assumption of the risk has had extensive application in a number of cases involving spectators struck by a misguided baseball, the Court of Appeals also noted application of the assumption of the risk previously served as a complete bar to a plaintiff’s cause of action, without regard to the degree of care exercised by the owner on the part of the owner. The doctrine of primary assumption of the risk bars recovery where the injury arises from a commonly appreciated risk inherent in the activity, and this doctrine applies equally to spectators who place themselves in close proximity to the activity. *Spillane v. Hofstra Univ.*, 219 A.D.3d 774, 776, 194 N.Y.S.3d 320 (2d Dept. 2023); *Koenig v. Town of Huntington*, 10 A.D.3d 632, 633, 782 N.Y.S. 92 (2d Dept. 2004).

However, the Court of Appeals expressed concern that there was no law in New York which defined the duty of care owed by a proprietor of a baseball field to spectators. The Court of Appeals put an end to that and held, “We now define that duty.” This duty of care replaced the doctrine of primary assumption of the risk. Therefore, the Baseball Rule should not be confused with the doctrine of primary assumption of the risk, but they are not at odds with each other.

Conclusion

The doctrine of primary assumption of the risk and the Baseball Rule are distinct defenses, but they should both be raised on behalf of the owner » Page 6

IN BRIEF

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by naming partner Nathan Berti as its new managing partner and second by adding Faegre Drinker’s chief technology officer Dan McLoughlin as its new chief information officer.

Berti, who divides his time between New York City and Buffalo, took over as managing partner effective on Sunday, Feb. 1, succeeding Benjamin Zuffranieri Jr., who had been at the head of the firm since 2022 and will now be serving as co-chair of the firm alongside Carol Fitzsimmons, according to Hodgson Russ’ announcement.

Meanwhile, McLoughlin joined the firm from Faegre Drinker on Tuesday, the firm said, succeeding Kathy Krieger after she ended more than 40 years at Hodgson Russ.

These changes come a year into Hodgson Russ’ most recent strategic plan, which the firm said launched in 2024 and includes a focus on attracting talent in “key practices and markets” such as New York, Toronto, Rochester and Palm Beach. That talent includes McLoughlin, who came over after more than five years at Faegre Drinker.



Nathan W. G. Berti

In a statement on his election to managing partner, Berti said that Hodgson Russ is a strong firm because of its ability to embrace change, including new technologies.

“Hodgson Russ has thrived for more than two centuries because of its ability to adapt to the ever-evolving legal landscape,” said Berti. “I look forward to building upon Ben’s strong leadership and commitment to investing in both our client relationships and the talent and technology to best meet our clients’ evolving needs.”

Mairi Stewart, Hodgson Russ’ global head of attorney and law firm operations, echoed the importance of adapting to new technologies in a statement on

McLoughlin’s addition to the firm.

“His [McLoughlin’s] deep experience leading technology at an Am Law 100 firm will be invaluable as we continue to execute on our strategic growth and innovation plans.” Stewart said. “Of particular focus in 2026 will be the integration of generative AI tools into our legal service operations.”

In an email to Law.com, a representative for Faegre Drinker said the firm wishes McLoughlin well and thanks him for his contributions to the firm.

—Ryan Harroff

Simpson Recruits 3 Akin Partners, Aiming For ‘Targeted’ Practice In Congressional, Stage AG Investigations

Simpson Thacher & Bartlett has recruited three congressional and state attorneys general investigations partners from Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld in Washington, D.C., to head up its investigations teams, the firm said last week. The hires mark a new “targeted” practice approach for Simpson in these teams, litigation leaders said.

Rafi Prober and Karen Christian, who served as coheads of Akin’s congressional investigations practice, will cohead Simpson’s congressional investigations practice. Martine Cicconi, who was a coleader of Akin’s state attorneys general practice, will now lead Simpson’s state attorneys general team. The three partners will join Simpson’s litigation department and its government and internal investigations practice.

Lynn Neuner and Jon Youngwood, global coheads of the firm’s litigation department, indicated that while they’ve “broadly” done this type of investigation work, they haven’t done it in a “targeted fashion.”

“This work has broadly historically been covered by our government and internal investigations practice, but Martine, Rafi and Karen do things we don’t do yet in a targeted fashion, and they

do it at the top of the market.” Neuner and Youngwood said.

Nick Goldin and Jeff Knox, global coheads of Simpson’s government and internal investigations practice, said they are seeing “congressional and state investigations increasingly run in parallel with regulatory and DOJ scrutiny.”

“Rafi, Karen and Martine immediately deepen our ability to deliver that kind of integrated, forward-looking counsel to clients on their most critical matters,” Goldin and Knox added.

The three laterals, in a statement, praised the firm for providing a “global, coordinated and deeply experienced [platform] that allows us to deliver the best possible results for clients facing congressional, state AG and other governmental investigations.”

The moves come as Big Law practice leaders are preparing for a busy 2026 in investigations and litigation prompted by state attorneys general, as Law.com has reported.

Simpson landed within the top 15 in the 2025 Am Law 100. The firm reported its profits per equity partner climbed over 19% to \$7.66 million in 2024 and its revenue per lawyer was up nearly 14% to \$1.7 million, according to financial reporting by The American Lawyer. Meanwhile, Akin, which landed at 38th in the Am Law 100, reported its profits per equity partner improved over 23.5% to \$3.8 million, and its revenue per lawyer was up 8.7% to \$1.6 million in 2024.

A representative for Akin wished the trio well in their future endeavors. The firm did not comment on who will take over its congressional investigations practice. Mark Herring, who served as coleader of the firm’s state attorney general practice alongside Cicconi, remains at Akin.

Simpson isn’t the only firm to be investing in its state AG practice at the moment. Womble Bond Dickinson said last week it has formalized its own state AG practice, led by partners Joe Whitley and Tyler Bridegan.

—Abigail Adcox

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Craig DellaRocco v. Long Island Railroad Company, No. 24-cv-02786

Court: Southern District, NY

Plaintiff Attorney(s): Sean P. Constable; Flynn & Wietzke, PC; Garden City NY for Craig DellaRocco
Defense Attorney(s): Christopher Pogan; LIRR Law Dept.; Jamaica, NY for Long Island Railroad Co. Haley Stein; LIRR Law Dept.; Jamaica, NY for Long Island Railroad Co.

Facts:

On March 13, 2023, plaintiff Craig DellaRocco, 57, a carman/welder for the Long Island Railroad Co., was working his regular shift, which involved disassembling and moving a 10,000 lb. train wheel set from the shop area to a different part of the LIRR's Hillside maintenance facility. To perform the task, he used a walk-behind machine to pull the assembly down an aisleway adjacent to the shop. While doing so, DellaRocco stepped on a loose bolt on the floor and allegedly twisted his knee. He claimed he kicked the bolt out of the way and tried to continue working, but the knee swelled, and the pain increased.

DellaRocco sued Long Island Railroad Co. pursuant to the Federal Employers' Liability Act, 45 U.S.C. § 51, et seq. ("FELA").

DellaRocco claimed that it was a common issue for the aisleway to have loose nuts, bolts and other small parts strewn on the floor and that the issue had been specifically addressed by the LIRR supervisors during daily morning talks with workers. He also claimed the aisleway was dimly lit and referred by employees as the "dungeon," so he was unable to see what was on the floor. Thus, he claimed the dangerous condition of the aisleway caused his injury.

Defense counsel argued that DellaRocco should have seen the bolt before stepping on it and that if DellaRocco believed the lighting in the area was poor, he could have refused to work in that area pursuant to his union rights. Counsel also took issue with Dellarocco kicking the bolt after he stepped on it, which counsel argued prevented a proper investigation, as investigators never found the bolt. In addition, the defense countered the claim that the aisleway was dangerous by presenting testimony from DellaRocco's supervisor, who testified that employees called "oilers" were present and performed maintenance once per week in the area and that a Zamboni-type machine also traveled down the hallway to clean the area. Thus, defense counsel argued that the LIRR provided

a safe place to work as required by the Federal Employers' Liability Act.

Injury:

DellaRocco claimed he sustained a traumatic medial meniscal tear in his left knee as a result of the incident.

DellaRocco alleged that he twisted his knee after stepping on a loose bolt. He claimed he attempted to continue working, but the knee swelled, and the pain increased to the point of needing to be taken by ambulance to a hospital, where he was treated and released.

On May 11, 2023, DellaRocco underwent surgery on his left knee. However, he claimed that due to the severity of his injury, he required a total knee replacement on Aug. 8, 2024.

DellaRocco claimed that despite the surgeries, he continues to be in constant pain. He alleged that as a result, he remains under the care of his surgeon and will never be able to return to work.

DellaRocco sought recovery of past and future lost earnings, and damages for past and future pain and suffering.

Defense counsel argued that DellaRocco had pre-existing arthritis and that the knee replacement was unrelated to the accident. Counsel pointed to DellaRocco's testimony about working part-time for a non-profit, charity racing organization without receiving compensation.

In response, plaintiff's counsel noted that the defense did not conduct an independent medical examination or a vocational evaluation of DellaRocco.

Result:

The jury found the LIRR 85% liable and DellaRocco 15% liable. It determined that Dellarocco's damages totaled \$4,931,734.

- \$ 261,844 Past Lost Earnings
- \$ 1,819,890 Future Lost Earnings
- \$ 2,600,000 Future Pain Suffering
- \$ 250,000 Past Pain Suffering
- \$ 4,931,734 Plaintiff's Total Award

Trial Information:

Judge: J. Paul Oetken
 Demand: \$2.2 million
 Offer: \$1.6 million
 Trial Length: 4 days
 Trial Deliberations: 6 hours
 Jury Vote: 8-0
 Jury Composition: 2 male, 6 female

MOTOR VEHICLE

Driver, Passenger Claimed Injuries After Their Parked Car Was Hit

Verdict: \$4,152,000

Tyshawn T. Erving and Shamiyah Brummell v.

Ari Fleet Lt. and Chidanand Singh, No. 716654/2019

Court: Queens Supreme, NY

Plaintiff Attorney(s): Dmitry Chernyy; Chernyy & Associates, P.C.; Brooklyn NY for Tyshawn T. Erving Matthew Libroia; Chernyy & Associates, P.C.; Brooklyn NY for Shamiyah Brummell

Defense Attorney(s): Jeffrey C. Fegan; Clyde & Co LLP; New York, NY for Ari Fleet Lt., Chidanand Singh Michael C. Lamendola; Simmons Jannace Deluca, LLP; Hauppauge, NY for Ari Fleet Lt., Chidanand Singh

Facts:

On Aug. 10, 2018, plaintiff Tyshawn T. Erving, 28, a valet, was in a stopped motor vehicle at 107th Avenue and 156th Street in Queens. A Pep Boys van driven by Chidanand Singh allegedly veered into the opposite lane, and struck Erving's vehicle. Plaintiff Shamiyah Brummell, 28, a construction worker, was a passenger in Erving's vehicle at the time of the crash. Plaintiffs claimed multiple neck, back and knee injuries.

Plaintiffs sued Singh and the vehicle's owner, Ari Fleet Lt. Plaintiffs alleged that Singh was negligent in operating a motor vehicle and that Ari Fleet was vicariously liable for Singh's actions.

Plaintiffs' counsel contended that the vehicle was stopped on a narrow road and that Singh took his eyes off the road, looked down and veered into their vehicle. On cross-examination, Singh reportedly admitted to taking his eyes off the road, veering into the other lane and striking Erving's vehicle front driver side to front driver side.

The defense claimed that Erving's vehicle was illegally double-parked.

Injury:

Erving claimed he injured his neck, back and right knee. He was transported to Jamaica Hospital from the scene of the incident. He had disc bulges in his neck, a herniation at L5-S1 and a right knee meniscal tear requiring arthroscopic surgery. He also underwent three manipulations under anesthesia.

Plaintiffs' expert testified that Erving will need treatment for the remainder of his life for his neck, back and right knee. He estimated approximately \$330,000 in the cost of the treatment for the three body parts.

Brummell testified that he injured his neck, back and left knee. He was transported to Jamaica hospital from the scene of the incident. Brummell underwent three manipulations under anesthesia, arthroscopic knee surgery and an L5-S1 laminectomy and fusion. He had herniations at C3-6 and L5-S1, a disc bulge and a meniscal tear in his left knee.

Plaintiffs' experts testified that Brummell's injuries were causally related to the accident and Brummell will need treatment for the remainder of his life. The expert estimated that treatment to be approximately \$650,000.

Plaintiffs' counsel asked for \$2.5 million at trial.

The defense contended that Erving did not sustain any injuries from the accident and did not need any treatment. The defense further asserted that Erving had not treated since 2020. Lastly, it argued that Erving had a subsequent accident with a semi-truck, so the injuries were not from the subject accident.

The defense contended that Brummell was exaggerating, had a subsequent accident two months later, was not injured in the subject accident and had not treated since 2020.

Result:

The jury returned a verdict 6-0 on permanent limitation, significant limitation and 90/180 rule for both plaintiffs.

Erving was awarded \$1,487,000, which included \$507,000 for past pain and suffering, \$750,000 for future pain and suffering over 41.5 years and \$230,000 for future medical expenses for 41.5 years.

Brummell was awarded \$2,665,000, which included \$750,000 for past pain and suffering, \$1.5 million for future pain and suffering over 41.5 years and \$415,000 for future medical expenses over 41.5 years.

- \$ 415,000 Future Medical Cost
- \$ 1,500,000 Future Pain Suffering
- \$ 750,000 Past Pain Suffering
- \$ 2,665,000 Plaintiff's Total Award
- Tyshawn Erving
- \$ 230,000 Future Medical Cost
- \$ 750,000 Future Pain Suffering
- \$ 507,000 Past Pain Suffering
- \$ 1,487,000 Plaintiff's Total Award

Trial Information:

Judge: Cheree A. Buggs
 Demand: n/a
 Offer: \$250,000
 Trial Length: 3 weeks
 Trial Deliberations: 1.5 days
 Jury Vote: 6-0

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE

Parties Disputed Liability For Methadone Toxicity Death

Settlement: \$2,400,000

Tracy Johnson, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Esias Johnson v. City of New York, New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation, Kerline Lubin, Alexandre Guirand, Jr., Harland Aristide, Angelo Erland Lessey, Daniel Morris, M.D., and John Do, No. 23-cv-2407

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Shopper injured by runaway cart on store's escalator

Type: Verdict-Plaintiff
 Amount: \$9,003,825
 Case Name: Rosa Mendez-Judeiman v. Costco Wholesale Corporation, No. CV 10-0374
 Court: U.S. District Court, Eastern District
 Injury Type(s): arm, neck, neurological-reflex sympathetic dystrophy/complex regional pain syndrome
 Case Type: Premises Liability - Store, Workers/Workplace Negligence - Premises Liability - Rest Ipsa Loquitur, Escalator Accidents, Negligent Repair, Maintenance
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Clayton

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which a federal agency, like the U.S. Department of Justice, agrees not to file charges against parties under criminal and civil investigation.

Clayton added, however, that companies would pay for not cooperating.

"If you do not cooperate and there is criminal activity, you're going to pay for not cooperating," he said. "There's a big carrot, but there's also going to be a big stick."

The announcement came during the keynote event at the Securities Enforcement Forum New York, a Q&A between Clayton and Steven Peikin.

Like Clayton, Peikin has experience in both the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and SDNY, having served as the SEC's Division of Enforcement and as chief of SDNY's Securities and Commodities Fraud Task Force. Peikin is currently the head of Sullivan & Cromwell's Securities & Commodities Investigations & Enforcement Practice.

In addition to cooperation, Peikin asked Clayton for his views

on the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, which spurred colorful criticism by Clayton.

Clayton said he "hate[s]" how the powerful statute has been used by U.S. prosecutors.

We "never really go after individuals, just hold up companies for money based on stuff we wouldn't prosecute at home, and by doing that, we've ceded many hot spots to more corrupt groups," Clayton said. "Because the application of the FCPA—the way we do it—I think corruption in many places around the world has increased."

Clayton further stated that the FCPA was intended to crack down on powerful companies "essentially buying foreign governments, not buying the guy on the dock with facilitation payments."

"That's hard. That's actual crime," Clayton said, referring to the crime of buying a foreign government. "It messes with foreign relations, it does all sorts of terrible things and that we should pursue that to our heart's content. But, you know, the low-level stuff? Who are we to go do that?"

Though colorful, his views may not be fully out of line for the Trump administration, which paused and then changed FCPA

enforcement over the past year. White-collar attorneys have reported seeing less FCPA activity since the enforcement shift, and very few FCPA prosecutions are currently active.

In that same keynote, Peikin asked Clayton to discuss his office's relationship with Main Justice. Of the U.S. attorney's offices, the Southern District has been renowned for its independence from Washington, D.C. That presumed independence has taken a hit over the past year, after Main Justice instructed New York prosecutors to drop their criminal case against former New York City Mayor Eric Adams.

Clayton, who Trump nominated to lead SDNY, despite never having previously served as a prosecutor, said, "We're doing well." "Let's put it this way... that is not something I worry about going to bed at night," Clayton said.

Clayton was later asked what does keep him up at night, to which he noted "the kind of tensions we've seen in other places."

Also, "it would bother me if great young lawyers didn't want to come to the office. That would be a bad day," Clayton said.

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Williams

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the B-team, and suddenly they hold all the cards," Williams said. "They may not be able to deprive your client of liberty, but it can be ruinous for your client's reputation if the SEC decides to proceed."

"I think defense counsel should do a good job of... having a good relationship with all folks at the

table, because you never know," he said.

The panel—titled "Defending Parallel Investigations Involving the SEC, SDNY, EDNY, NYAG and Others"—was part of the Securities Enforcement Forum New York, a one-day conference for current and former SEC officials, securities enforcement and white collar attorneys.

Williams spoke in a panel that also included Nicolas Roos, the

co-chief of SDNY's Securities and Commodities Fraud Task Force. Parvin Moyne, a partner at Akin Gump and Michael Shanahan, the managing director of the consulting firm Alvarez & Marsal, also sat on the panel. The panel was moderated by Caitlyn Campbell, a partner at McDermott Will & Schulte.

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Spectator

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operator of a baseball facility. They are distinct avenues to establish the absence of a duty of care owed to a spectator. Without a duty of care owed, negligence cannot survive.

Akins establishes that the owners and operators of baseball sta-

diums (including minor league, school and recreational facilities) should ensure that the area behind home plate has protective netting. The date it was installed and its configuration should be documented.

Likewise, owners and operators should document and track requests for seating in the protected area. To support a distinct defense pursuant to the doctrine

of primary assumption of the risk, the owner or operator should ensure redundant warnings of the obvious—an inherent risk of injury associated with errant baseballs entering the stands should be provided, and appropriate language included on tickets and websites. When faced with a spectator injury case, owners and operators of a baseball stadium do not want to swing and miss.

Perspective

Smart Law Firms Treat Crisis Response as a Leadership Moment

BY IOANA GOOD

A crisis always seems to hit at the least opportune time; you're preparing to leave for a long weekend, you're on a tight deadline, or maybe you are short-staffed. But when a crisis hits, be it a data breach, partner controversy, litigation gone public, or a fast-moving misinformation surge, clients and reporters stop listening for a spin and start listening for authority.

That last category is growing fast: a 2026 global survey of senior crisis and risk communicators, which published in January, 2026 found that while 37% rate AI-generated deepfakes as a high or critical risk, 77% report having no documented protocol to manage them—precisely the kind of readiness gap that turns issues into reputational crises (RiskComms' 2026 Crisis, Emergency, and Risk Communication Trends Report—survey summary, Jan. 2026).

For law firms, the first hours and days are a real-time credibility audit. Respond well, and you stabilize the situation and strengthen your standing as the voice clients and the media trust when the stakes are high. Respond poorly and the damage compounds.

Crisis planning is not a theoretical exercise, and it can't live in a binder. The most effective firms design plans that are simple, role-clear, and easy to execute under pressure. Communications teams own detailed playbooks that include escalation paths, templates, and channel guidance. Leadership gets a concise version that immediately answers two questions: Who do I call? What do I say first? Employees should have a one-page tear sheet or a policy that tells them exactly how to route inquiries and what they can and cannot say. This structure collapses decision time from hours to minutes. It also reduces the confusion that so often causes more reputational damage than the incident itself.

"Our team knows that we must be expedient in our reply, but also diligent with our follow-up communications and the expectations we set. Having a policy or a plan in place is important so that we know how we'll communicate, who is responsible for speaking to the public, and what our message is. Consistency in our response doesn't just protect our reputation; it strengthens it, and cements our role as a trusted industry leader," says Jennifer O'Donnell, Chief Marketing and Business Development Officer at Segal McCambridge.

Speed matters, but speed without accuracy erodes trust. The first outward statement should confirm verified facts, acknowledge what is under investigation, and set expectations for the next update. Stakeholders forgive not knowing everything on day one; they do not forgive vagueness or bluster that unravels under scrutiny. A disciplined communication cadence—hourly early on, then twice daily, then daily—signals control and keeps speculation at bay. Inside the firm, a daily huddle to review facts, messaging, stakeholder questions, and media sig-

nals keeps leaders synchronized and aligned on what gets said where.

The First 72 Hours

The first 72 hours can either create momentum or invite burnout and mistakes. This is when curated talking points from trained spokespeople and pre-drafted scenarios pay off. It is important to note that not every crisis belongs to the managing partner. A technical breach might be led by a cyber co-chair supported by IT and other firm leadership to demonstrate accountability. A values-laden issue may be best handled by a respected practice head with real credibility in the affected community. The spokesperson has a major hand in how a message is received. Whoever steps up needs to be calm, brief,

and precise. Training under simulated pressure is non-negotiable. This is what turns capable lawyers into reliable public leaders.

Misinformation Compounds Every Crisis

Generative AI has lowered the cost of creating convincing fake content and counterfeit accounts. A single false claim can move markets and client decisions before your team finishes its first briefing. That makes misinformation management a core crisis function by proactively monitoring across platforms; creating clear thresholds for when to ignore, when to correct in-channel, and when to publish broader statements; and preparing pre-approved language for debunking impostors using your brand. The firms that publish simple how-to guides for clients—how to verify sources, what to do when you spot a fake, how the firm detects and reports counterfeit content—earn trust before they ever need to use it.

Policy Is Part of Credibility

In the heat of a crisis, you don't want to be writing rules you should have published months ago. This is especially true of AI. Clear, enforceable policies on where AI usage belongs in workflows, where it does not, how accuracy is checked, and how client information is protected give you something solid to point to when questions arise. The same holds for social media use, data retention, vendor risk, and employee speech. Policies don't prevent every incident. They do let you lead with coherence rather than improvisation.

Tone Is Strategy

The firms that lead during crises sound like themselves—plain-spoken, factual, and respectful of the audience's real concerns. They resist speculation. They name uncertainties honestly. They

focus on being useful. When the issue becomes publicly contested, authenticity is the constraint and the guide. There are real rewards to taking a principled stance that aligns with your values and track record: deeper loyalty, clearer differentiation, stronger recruitment. There are also real risks: alienating clients, inviting scrutiny, or sounding performative. If you choose to weigh in, ensure your message reflects real policies and behavior, and prepare to sustain the conversation after the first spike of attention. If not, silence will speak louder than the noise.

Measurement Should Track Trust, Not Visibility

A spike in mentions is not proof of leadership. It all comes down to which outlets covered you, whether your framing made it into headlines, and which reporters came back for follow-up perspectives in your core domains. On owned media channels, look for return visits to your hub page, time on page for explainers, and direct referrals from client alerts. Save qualitative signals—client forwards, regulator appreciation, reporter notes citing

your analysis. Those become internal teaching tools and external proof points of sustainable authority.

Done well, crisis communication becomes a flywheel for a durable reputation. Preparation creates speed. Speed builds presence. Presence gives you framing power. Framing power earns better coverage. Better coverage creates teachable moments and deeper relationships. Those relationships lead to early calls the next time something breaks. And around it goes. The risk is just as real. Over-promising, guessing, saying "no comment," chasing virality, or letting internal confusion seep into the public domain can undo years of brand equity in a matter of moments.

Keep your crisis plan known and straightforward. Map your spokespeople to the crises you're most likely to face and train them regularly. Instruct your monitoring systems to detect and manage AI-driven fakes. Publish your AI and social media policies and make them live. Orchestrate channels with discipline: a single up-to-date hub page on your site, brief client alerts that distill what to do next, and selective earned media that carries third-party validation. After the dust settles, share what you learned and what you changed. The recovery narrative is proof of strong leadership even in the most difficult times.

Crisis will never be comfortable. But for firms that prepare, they can be defining moments. They reveal how you think, govern, and take your client relationships seriously. Handle crisis with calm, precision, and care, and you won't just protect your reputation; you'll cement it.

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characterized the reserve as "a sort of escrow account" maintained to cover claims that might be brought against the firm. Thus, "[p]artners contribute through deductions from distributed income, and any balance is returned at a later time following a partner's departure." The judge asks if he/she must "recede from all cases involving the firm for a two-year period after receipt of the insurance reserve balance payment."

A judge must always avoid even the appearance of impropriety (see 22 NYCRR 100.2) and must always act in a manner that promotes public confidence in the judiciary's integrity and impartiality (see 22 NYCRR 100.2[A]). A judge must disqualify in any proceeding where the judge's impartiality "might reasonably be questioned" (22 NYCRR 100.3[E][1]), including where required by rule or law (see e.g. Judiciary Law § 14). For example, disqualification is required when the judge knows that he/she has an economic or other interest that could be substantially affected by the proceeding (see 22 NYCRR 100.3[E][1][c]) or that a lawyer

with whom the judge previously practiced law served during such association as a lawyer concerning the matter (see 22 NYCRR 100.3[E][1][b][ii]).

In Opinion 16-24, we advised that a judge must disclose the ongoing relationship when an attorney appearing before the judge is holding money in escrow for the judge. If the escrow funds are released without controversy, the disclosure obligation ends when the escrow arrangement terminates (id.). Significantly, the facts in Opinion 16-24 involved attorneys holding funds for a judge in connection with discrete real estate transactions or rental arrangements, rather than in connection with the unwinding of the "significant financial and business relationships" typical of former "law firm colleagues" (id.).

By contrast, where a judge is receiving money from a law firm in concluding a prior business relationship between them, we have said the judge is disqualified from presiding in any case involving his/her prior law firm until two years have passed after completion of the financial and business relationship (see e.g. Opinions 21-17; 16-36; 11-21, fn 2). Here, the inquiring judge was an equity partner in the law firm, and we

understand the judge previously received certain retirement and pension benefits or distributions. In our view, the judge must now disqualify for two years from receipt of the insurance reserve balance payment.

Assuming the judge can be fair and impartial, the disqualification is subject to remittal where feasible (see Opinion 21-17; 22 NYCRR 100.3[F]). Remittal is a three-step process. First, the judge must fully disclose the basis for disqualification on the record. Second, without the judge's participation, the parties and (if represented) their lawyers must all agree that the judge should not be disqualified. Third, the judge must independently conclude he/she can be impartial and be willing to participate in the case. If all three steps are satisfied, the judge may accept remittal of disqualification and must incorporate the agreement into the record of the proceeding (see Opinion 21-22[A]).

As a reminder, it is not the parties' burden to request the judge's disqualification; rather, "it is the judge's burden to disqualify him/herself at the outset, even if the parties are fully aware of the conflict and do not express any concern" (id. [citation omitted]).

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Expert Analysis

Financial

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by the treasurer or an authorized designee, who must carefully verify the legitimacy of all charges.

Alongside the implementation of sound financial policies, every religious organization should adopt and adhere to a robust conflict-of-interest policy. Such a policy helps ensure that officers, board members, and clergy do not maintain undisclosed financial relationships with the organization, unless the board approves them with full awareness of the circumstances.

Financial Audits

Once sound financial policies and procedures are in place, the next essential step is to create

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an audit committee to review and evaluate how those policies operate in practice. The board is typically responsible for appointing this committee. Ideally, committee members should have sufficient financial expertise to conduct a meaningful review. Although audit committee members may also serve on the board, they should not hold the positions of minister, treasurer, or president, as this separation helps prevent conflicts of interest. Ultimately, the audit committee serves as an additional safeguard to ensure that the organization's finances are properly managed.

In addition to establishing an audit committee, every religious organization should also ensure that its financial statements are audited annually by an external independent auditor. This auditor should be selected by the board, on the recommendation of the audit committee.

The auditor will then proceed to give an opinion on the church's financial statements, directed to the board's attention. Such an opinion will either confirm that the financial statements present fairly the church's financial condition or set forth ways in which the financial statements fail to meet relevant auditing standards. In the latter situation, an auditor may also issue a "management letter," addressed to the board, noting the specific issues that should be addressed. While such a letter may fall short of a formal auditor's opinion, it provides an important basis upon which improvements in managing the organization's finances can be made.

Business Expense Reimbursements

An accountable reimbursement plan enables organizations and their employees to reduce the overall tax burden by assuring that relevant employee expenditures qualify as business expenses. Under such a plan, an employee's expenses are not recorded as income on either IRS Form W-2 or 1040 and thus are not subject to income taxation. Enforcing an accountable reimbursement plan means that any reimbursements to the employee are not computed as compensation. Thus, the employee's overall benefit may be enhanced by the employer's expending of tax-free dollars. The collective avoidance of paying additional monies for income taxation increases the

overall pool of funds available for employee compensation, even if every such additional dollar is ultimately shared between employer and employee—a win-win for all.

In order to qualify as an accountable plan and thus enable reimbursement, business expenses need to meet four requirements. First, they must be in connection with business activities. Second, they must be adequately substantiated to an employer within a reasonable time period, i.e., not more than 60 days after an expense is incurred. Third, any excess reimbursement must be returned to the employer within a reasonable time period, i.e., not more than 120 days after the reimbursement. Fourth, the employer needs to reimburse an employee out of its own funds, and not through a deduction of an employee's salary.

Ministers and Finances

It is generally unwise for a minister to be in charge of a church's finances due to the potential for conflicts of interest, lack of oversight, and the legal separation of responsibilities between the spiritual and temporal affairs of a church. Under Section 5 of New York's Religious Corporations Law, the administration of a church's temporal affairs, including its finances, is entrusted to the church's trustees. Specifically, trustees are responsible for the custody and control of the church's property and revenues, which must be administered in accordance with the discipline, rules, and usages of the church, as well as applicable laws.

"The primary purpose of the Religious Corporations Law is to provide for an orderly method for the administration of the property and temporalities dedicated to the use of religious groups and to preserve them from exploitation by those who might divert them from the true beneficiaries of the trust." *St. Nicholas Cathedral of the Russian Orthodox Church in N. Am. V. Kedroff*, 302 N.Y. 1, 29 (1950). By design, the legislature separated the governance of a church's temporal and spiritual affairs. The trustees, as corporate officers, are charged with managing the church's temporal affairs, while the minister and other ecclesiastical officers focus on spiritual matters. This separation will ultimately prevent conflicts and ensure that financial decisions are made transparently and in the best interests of the church. Moreover, annual corporate meetings provide the church's membership final oversight not only by reviewing and approving budgets but also by electing qualified trustees.

These statutory provisions underscore the importance of separating financial responsibilities from spiritual leadership to ensure proper governance and accountability. Case law further highlights the risks associated with a minister controlling church finances. In *People v. Osborne*, 161 A.D.3d 1485, a pastor was found to have misused church funds for personal expenses, including unauthorized payments and cash withdrawals, due to the lack of financial oversight during his tenure.

This resulted in significant financial discrepancies and legal consequences for the pastor, including criminal charges and restitution. The church's failure to implement appropriate financial procedures not only compromised its fiscal integrity and organizational stability but also contributed to its minister's legal difficulties. These unfortunate circumstances would likely have been identified and avoided had there been financial oversight.

Conclusion

The failure to establish and enforce proper mechanisms for financial governance poses significant risks, including potential misuse of funds, lack of accountability, and legal violations. To mitigate these risks, it is essential to adhere to the statutory framework and governance structures established under New York law, which entrust financial responsibilities to trustees and require oversight by the church's membership at corporate meetings. And the trustees should always implement a robust system of financial oversight.

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Location: 42 West 44th Street
Contact: 212-382-6663 or customerrelations@nycbar.org

TUESDAY, FEB. 10

New York Women's Bar Association
NYWBA Elder Law and Disabilities Committee Lunch and Learn 1 p.m., On Zoom
Bring your questions for City Council Member Crystal Hudson, who in February 2025 introduced a resolution to call upon the State Legislature to introduce and pass legislation to create a statewide public guardianship system.
RSVP to elderlawchairs@nywba.org

NY State Bar (CLE)
Trust Protectors in New York: Drafting MAPTs, SNTs and Other Irrevocable Trusts to Ensure Success
nysba.org/events/trust-protectors-in-new-york-drafting-mapt-snts-and-other-irrevocable-trusts-to-ensure-success/
1 CLE credit, Virtual

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NY State Bar (CLE)
Commercial Litigation Academy
nysba.org/events/commercial-litigation-academy-2026/
16 CLE credits
Hybrid: Albany, New York City

Practising Law Institute
Understanding Financial Products 2026
9 a.m. – 5:15 p.m. (Day 1)
9:15 a.m. – 4:45 p.m. (Day 2)
www.pli.edu/programs/understanding-financial-products/
Fundamentals of Patent Litigation 2026
8:30 a.m. – 5:10 p.m.
www.pli.edu/programs/fundamentals-of-patent-litigation/

WEDNESDAY FEB. 11

NY State Bar (Non CLE)
End-of-Life Journey with our Beloved Animals Session 2 (of 3)
nysba.org/events/the-end-of-life-journey-with-our-beloved-animals-session-2/
Virtual

NY City Bar (CLE)
Current State of DeFi: Legal Structures and

Regulatory Implications
12 p.m. – 2 p.m., 2 CLE credits
Registration Link: <https://services.nycbar.org/EventDetail?EventKey=WEB021126&mcode=NYLJ>
Location: Zoom
Contact: 212-382-6663 or customerrelations@nycbar.org

THURSDAY, FEB. 12

Federal Bar Council (CLE)
Hot Topics in Legal Ethics II
6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., 1.5 CLE credits
Location: Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, 919 Third Avenue, New York
<https://fbc.users.membersuite.com/events/a5720928-0078-ce9f-4fe4-0b49108a6010/details>

NY City Bar (CLE)
Effective Communication Across Generations: Reducing Stress and Strengthening the Management of Legal Work
9:00 am – 10:45 am
2 CLE credits
Registration Link: <https://services.nycbar.org/EventDetail?EventKey=WEB021226&mcode=NYLJ>
Location: Zoom
Contact: 212-382-6663 or customerrelations@nycbar.org

NY City Bar (Non CLE)
Legal Writing Primer for New Lawyers
12:30 p.m. – 2 p.m.
Registration Link: <https://services.nycbar.org/EventDetail?EventKey=NL1021226&mcode=NYLJ>
Location: Zoom
Contact: 212-382-6663 or customerrelations@nycbar.org

Practising Law Institute
Ethics for Commercial Litigators 2026
9 a.m. – 11:10 a.m.
www.pli.edu/programs/ethics-for-commercial-litigators/
Bridge-the-Gap II: Ethics and Skills for Newly Admitted New York Attorneys 2026
8:45 a.m. – 5:45 p.m.
www.pli.edu/programs/bridge-the-gap-ii-ethics-and-skills-for-newly-admitted-new-york-attorneys/

TUESDAY FEB. 17

NY State Bar (CLE)
Truth about Succession Planning: What High-Performing Leaders Do Differently
nysba.org/events/the-truth-about-succession-planning-what-high-performing-leaders-do-differently/
1 CLE credit, Virtual

NY State Bar (Non CLE)
NYSBA Mediator Roundtable Series

nysba.org/events/nysba-mediator-roundtable-series-february-2026-edition/
Informational event, Virtual

NY City Bar (Non CLE)
Fortune Hunters and Their Prey: Murdered Wives and Inheritance in Midcentury America
6 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Registration Link: <https://services.nycbar.org/EventDetail?EventKey=HIST021726&mcode=NYLJ>
Location: 42 West 44th Street
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WEDNESDAY FEB. 18

NY State Bar (CLE)
Employment Law 2026: Emerging Trends and Regulatory Shifts Across Federal, State and City Levels
nysba.org/events/employment-law-2026-emerging-trends-and-regulatory-shifts-across-federal-state-and-city-levels/
1 CLE credit, Virtual

NY State Bar (Non CLE)
The Tax Drag of NYC: Advanced Wealth Management Strategies for New Yorkers
nysba.org/events/the-tax-drag-of-nyc-advanced-wealth-management-strategies-for-new-yorkers/
Virtual

NY City Bar (CLE)
Current Legal Ethical Issues with Professor Stephen Gillers
12 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
2 CLE credits
Registration Link: <https://services.nycbar.org/EventDetail?EventKey=WEB021826&mcode=NYLJ>
Location: Zoom

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NY City Bar (CLE)
Trade Secrets Symposium 2026: Navigating the Law of Trade Secrets and Restrictive Covenants
Day 1: 9:00 am – 1 p.m.
Day 2: 9:00 am – 1 p.m.
Day 1 CLE credits: 4
Day 2 CLE credits: 4
Both Days CLE credits: 8
Both Registration Link: <https://services.nycbar.org/TradeSecrets/Registration.aspx?EventKey=WEB021926&mcode=NYLJ>
Day 1 Registration Link: <https://services.nycbar.org/TradeSecrets/Registration.aspx?EventKey=WEB021926&mcode=NYLJ>
Day 2 Registration Link: <https://services.nycbar.org/TradeSecrets/Registration.aspx?EventKey=WEB022026&mcode=NYLJ>
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Offshore

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projects, suspending their rights under leases (issued over a decade ago in most cases)—Vineyard Wind (Massachusetts), Revolution Wind (Rhode Island), Empire Wind and Sunrise Wind (New York) and Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind (Virginia). Each of these projects have all their permits and approvals after undergoing multiyear application and environmental review processes. Construction is well underway, and some projects are partially operational. Developers have already invested billions in development and construction.

The Suspension Order's breadth and vagueness is best conveyed by quoting it directly:

In November 2025, the Department of War (DoW) completed an additional assessment regarding the national security implications of offshore wind projects, and provided senior leadership at the department of the Interior with new classified information, including the rapid evolution of relevant adversary technologies and the resulting direct impacts to national security from offshore wind projects. These impacts are heightened by the projects' sensitive location on the East Coast and the potential to cause serious, immediate, and irreparable harm to our great nation.

Based on BOEM's initial review of this classified information, the

particularized harm posed by this project can only be feasibly averted by suspension of on-lease activities. In coordination with DoW, BOEM will determine whether the national security threats relating to this project can be mitigated and invites you to meet and confer about that possibility. Given the construction status of this project, BOEM will consider all feasible mitigation measures before making a decision as to whether the project must be cancelled.

It is not clear what security issue has suddenly arisen. OCSLA regulation 30 CFR 585.417 permits suspensions only to meet judicial requirements or "for reasons of national security or defense."

Four District Courts Have Enjoined the Suspension Order, and the Fifth Is Likely To Do So Too

Each of the developers of the five suspended projects have sued the Department of the Interior and Secretary Burgum to have the suspensions vacated and declared unlawful on procedural and substantive grounds (e.g. exceeding statutory authority, arbitrary and capricious, violating due process and statutory notice requirements). They have also each sought preliminary injunctions, and to date, four injunctions have been granted. A fifth—Sunrise Wind's—is still pending, but oral argument is scheduled for Feb. 2, 2026.

The court in the case *Empire Leaseholder LLC v. Burgum*, No. 1:26-cv-00004-CJN (D. D.C., Jan. 15, 2026), found that Empire met the standards for a preliminary injunction concerning the suspension of its offshore wind lease and permits issued by the federal government in 2024 (after a decade of review). Ruling from the bench, Judge Carl J. Nichols found that Empire was likely to succeed on at least one of

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its claims, particularly the claims that the Suspension Order was arbitrary and capricious, and violative of Empire's due process. The court gave little credence to the notion that the alleged national security reasons that the defendants confidentially briefed the court about required immediate cessation of construction pending a final decision on the merits.

Empire Wind is hugely important for both the plaintiffs and New York State as a whole. Empire was 60% complete when the Department of Interior issued the Suspension Order and the project sponsors have already spent four billion dollars. The project's 2,000 megawatts of power are essential to supplying power to downstate

New York users and would generate the equivalent of three or four gas-fired power plants.

Three other challenges to the Suspension Order had the same result, and the remaining challenge (Sunrise Wind) will also likely end with a preliminary injunction. The parties will proceed to a final decision on the merits, and the federal defendants may also try to bring interlocutory appeals to vacate the injunctions.

New York, Governed by Its Own Demanding Climate Law, Is Uniquely Harmed by the Orders

New York has one of the most demanding climate laws in the nation. The state's Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA) mandates substantial reductions in greenhouse gas emissions, requiring a 40% reduction from 1990 emissions levels by 2030 and an 85% reduction from 1990 levels by 2050. (NYS Environmental Conservation Law 75-107). The CLCPA also requires utilities (via amendments to the Public Service Law) to provide an increasing proportion of power from "renewable" sources—70% by 2030—and to secure 100% from "zero emissions"

sources by 2040. Finally, the CLCPA mandates the development of nine gigawatts of offshore wind energy by 2035. NYS Public Service L. 66.

New York cannot comply with these mandates without offshore wind. Moreover, offshore wind is a critical part of the state's plan for grid resiliency and growth to meet the expected substantial increases in electricity demand due to new large load projects (e.g. microchip fabrication and data centers) and building electrification. The orders therefore uniquely harm New York.

Is the White House Distinguishing Between Upland and Offshore Wind?

Wind energy already supplies 10% of U.S. electricity and grows annually, overwhelmingly from upland wind farms. Is the president inclined to allow upland wind to grow while ending offshore wind? It is unclear although the president has condemned all forms of renewable energy as ugly and unreliable. The Wind Order halts review and permitting for both types of wind.

But the Wind Order uniquely harms offshore wind. The distinction lies in the fact that the federal government owns the ocean floor beyond three miles from shore. Every offshore wind project relies directly on leasehold rights from the federal government. Upland wind projects are generally not on federal land and may or may

not require federal permits. Still, it is unusual for the White House to be targeting an industry that has become a huge part of the economy in reliably Republican states like Texas, North Dakota and Iowa.

Allowing These Orders To Go Into Effect Will Produce Significant Economic Harm

While making predictions about the economic future of both upland and offshore wind is beyond the scope of our expertise, we conclude by noting that one of the strongest factual and policy arguments against both the Wind Order and the Suspension Order is the rapid expansion of wind energy's importance in the global economy. The top ten countries with offshore wind (China, United Kingdom, Germany, etc.) collectively have 327 offshore wind farms in operation and dozens more under development. Wind power, both upland and offshore, supplies a substantial percentage of electricity (ranging 10% in China to 57% in Denmark) in these countries and it grows annually.

Due largely to onshore wind, the United States has more wind power capacity than every country except China. If the appellate courts and Supreme Court eventually allow the Wind Order and Suspension Order to go back into effect, the end result would be placing the United States at a distinct economic disadvantage in a growing industry for decades.

Verdicts

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Court: Southern District, NY

Plaintiff Attorney(s): Joshua D. Kelner; Kelner & Kelner; New York NY for Estate of Esias Johnson

Defense Attorney(s): Joseph E. Shmulewitz; Heidell Pittoni Murphy & Bach, LLP; New York, NY for City Of New York, New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation, Daniel Morris

Stephen McQuade; Pitta LLP; New York, NY for Angelo Erland Lessey

John Burns; Karasyk & Moschella, LLP; New York, NY for Kerline Lubin, Alexandre Guirand Jr., Harland Aristide

Facts:

On Sept. 7, 2021, plaintiff's decedent Esias Johnson, 24, was found dead in a housing unit in the Anna M. Kross Center at Rikers Island, where he was a detainee. It was determined that he had died of methadone toxicity.

The estate of Esias Johnson sued the city of New York, New York City Health and Hospitals Corp., Kerline Lubin, Alexandre Guirand, Jr., Harland Aristide, Angelo Erland Lessey

and Dr. Daniel Morris for wrongful death.

On Sept. 1, 2021, Johnson had presented to Morris, a Rikers physician, in a medical clinic. He reported that he had been obtaining methadone from other detainees in his housing unit. Morris prescribed methadone to the Johnson after telling him to cease using methadone given to him by other detainees.

Johnson was supposed to be seen for medical checks to verify his status on methadone, but all six of these visits were cancelled, for various reasons. According to the estate, on the evening of Sept.

6, Johnson went to bed and the corrections officers responsible for walking through his housing unit failed to perform wellness checks as scheduled. Several of them, including corrections officers Aristide, Lubin and Lessey allegedly falsely recorded in the logbooks they had done so. The video camera footage of his bed showed him tossing and turning at times, but did not depict him in any obvious acute distress at any point.

Plaintiff's counsel contended that the defendants were negligent in prescribing methadone to a person who was already abus-

ing it, failed to medically check his status once he was receiving methadone and failed to properly monitor the housing floor on the night of his death.

The defense contended that Johnson was properly prescribed a low dose of methadone. The defendants denied they were responsible for Johnson's overdose if Johnson sought on his own to abuse methadone after receiving his prescription. The defense further maintained that the video footage did not show him in any significant distress. The defense contended that Johnson had died in his sleep, without fear of impending death.

Injury:
Johnson overdosed and died in jail.

Result:
The parties negotiated a pre-trial settlement. NYC agreed to pay the estate of Esias Johnson \$2.4 million.

Trial Information:
Judge: Ona T. Wang
Trial Length: 0
Trial Deliberations: 0

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The following cases have been scheduled for pre-argument conference on the dates and at the times indicated:

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APPELLATE TERM

60 Centre Street Room 401

10 A.M.

Commencing with the January 2026 Term, all oral arguments at the Appellate Term, First Department will be in person. Counsel and pro se litigants also have the option to submit. The following cases are on our submission. No appearance is necessary.

COURT NOTES

NEW YORK STATE UNIFIED COURT SYSTEM

New York County, Supreme Court - Civil Term New Judicial Assignments and Reassignments

As of December 31, 2025, five long-serving Justices of the Supreme Court, Civil Branch, New York County, Honorable Arthur F. Engoron, Honorable Debra A. James, Honorable Richard G. Latin, Honorable W. Franc Perry III and Honorable Mary V. Rosado have retired from the bench. In addition, Justice Denise M. Dominquez and Justice Denis Reo have moved to other Courts. We would like to thank all our Justices for their wonderful service to our court.

New Judicial Assignments and Reassignments:

Hon. Dana M. Catanzaro has joined the Court and is assigned to General IAS Part 37. Justice Catanzaro's courtroom and chambers will be located at 111 Centre Street, Courtroom 1127A and Chambers Room 541. The Part phone number is 646-386-3222. The Chambers phone number is 646-386-3181.

Hon. Matthew V. Grieco has joined the Court and is assigned to General IAS Part 30. Justice Grieco's courtroom and chambers will be located at 111 Centre Street, Courtroom 623 and Chambers Room 466. The Part phone number is 646-386-3275. The Chambers phone number is 646-252-5086.

Hon. Brendan T. Lantry has joined the Court and is assigned to General IAS Part 46. Justice Lantry will assume Hon. Richard G. Latin's inventory. Justice Lantry's courtroom and chambers will be located at 71 Thomas Street, Room 103. The Part phone number is 646-386-3279. The Chambers phone number is 646-386-4945.

Hon. Anna R. Lewis has joined the Court and is assigned to the Mental Hygiene Part. Justice Lewis will assume Hon. W. Franc Perry III's inventory. Justice Lewis' chambers will be located at 60 Centre Street, Room 561. The phone number for Chambers is 646-386-3944.

Hon. Kim M. Parker has joined the Court and is assigned to Guardianship Part 25. Justice Parker will assume Hon. Ilana Marcus' inventory. Justice Parker's courtroom and chambers will be located at 111 Centre Street, Courtroom 1254 and Chambers Room 448. The Part phone number is 646-386-5675. The Chambers phone number is 646-582-5089.

Hon. John Zhuo Wang has joined the Court and is assigned to the Midtown Community Justice Center and Special Proceeding Part. Justice Wang's courtroom and chambers will be located at 314 West 54th Street, 5th Floor. The Part phone number is 646-582-5004. The Chambers phone number is 646-264-1371.

Hon. Yael Wilkofsky has joined the Court and is assigned to Matrimonial Part 51. Justice Wilkofsky will assume part of Hon. Lisa A. Headley's inventory. Justice Wilkofsky's courtroom and chambers will be located at 80 Centre Street, Room 289. The Part phone number is 646-386-3846. The Chambers phone number is 646-582-5077.

Hon. Jeffrey S. Zellan has joined the Court and is assigned to Matrimonial Part 49. Justice Zellan will assume part of Hon. Lisa A. Headley's inventory. Justice Zellan's courtroom and chambers will be located at 80 Centre Street, Room 307. The Part phone number is 646-252-5140. The Chambers phone number is 646-252-5073.

Hon. James G. Clynes remains assigned to General IAS Part 39. Justice Clynes' courtroom and chambers will be located at 60 Centre Street, Courtroom 331 and Chambers Room 652. The Part phone number is 646-386-3619. The Chambers phone number is 646-386-5383.

Hon. James d'Auguste is now assigned to Commercial Division Part 55. Justice d'Auguste's courtroom and chambers will now be located at 71 Thomas Street, Room 210. The Part phone number, 646-386-3289, and the Chambers phone number, 646-386-5698, remain unchanged.

Hon. Lisa A. Headley is now assigned to General IAS Part 17. Justice Headley's courtroom and chambers will remain located at 80 Centre Street, Room 122. The Part phone number is 646-252-5141. The Chambers phone number, 646-386-3150, remains unchanged.

Hon. Judy H. Kim remains assigned to General IAS Part 4. Justice Kim's courtroom and chambers will be located at 60 Centre Street, Courtroom 418 and Chambers Room 665. The Part phone number, 646-386-3580, and the Chambers phone number, 646-386-5577, remain unchanged.

Hon. Hasa A. Kingo is now assigned to General IAS Part 65. Justice Kingo will assume Hon. Denis Reo's inventory. Justice Kingo's courtroom and chambers will remain located at 80 Centre Street and have moved to Room 308. The Part phone number is 646-386-3887. The Chambers phone number, 646-386-4740, remains unchanged.

Hon. Ilana Marcus is now assigned to City and Transit IAS Part 5. Justice Marcus will assume Hon. Hasa A. Kingo's inventory. Justice Marcus' courtroom and chambers will be located at 80 Centre Street, Room 320. The Part phone number is 646-386-3374. The Chambers phone number, 646-386-4969, remains unchanged.

Hon. Anar Rathod Patel remains assigned to Commercial Division Part 45. Justice Patel's courtroom and chambers will remain located at 60 Centre Street, Courtroom 428, and Chambers has moved to Room 512. The Part phone number, 646-386-3632, and the Chambers phone number, 646-386-3234, remain unchanged.

Hon. Leslie A. Groth remains assigned to General IAS Part 12. Justice Stroth's courtroom and chambers will be located at 60 Centre Street, Courtroom 442 and Chambers Room 659. The Part phone number, 646-386-3273, and the Chambers phone number, 646-386-5622, remain unchanged.

Hon. Kathleen Waterman-Marshall remains assigned to General IAS Part 31. Justice Waterman-Marshall's courtroom and chambers will be located at 60 Centre Street, Courtroom 335 and Chambers Room 660. The Part phone number, 646-386-4296, and the Chambers phone number, 646-386-4289, remain unchanged.

Counsel are advised to sign up for the court system's E-Track service. E-Track allows counsel to list

with the service some or all the firm's cases pending in the Supreme Court, Civil Branch, New York County, and other counties as well. E-Track provides notification by e-mail of all appearances and adjournments in covered cases that are recorded in the court's electronic case history program, as well as other developments, such as the reassignment of cases and the issuance of decisions and long-form orders. E-Track can also provide appearance reminders should counsel wish to avail themselves of that capability.

To sign up for E-Track, counsel should go to the following address: <http://iapps.courts.state.ny.us/webcivil/etrackLogin>

OFFICE OF COURT ADMINISTRATION

Division of E-Filing

OCA Invites Comments on E-Filing Program Deadline: Feb. 13

In preparation for its annual report on electronic filing (e-filing), which will be submitted to the Legislature, the Governor, and the Chief Judge, the New York State Office of Court Administration (OCA) invites public comments on the Unified Court System's e-filing program, (NYSCEF).

Attorneys, litigants, and other interested members of the public are encouraged to share observations and recommendations.

Comments may be submitted by:

Email: efilingcomments@nycourts.gov

or

Mail: Christopher Gibson, Director
OCA Division of E-Filing
Office of Court Administration
25 Beaver Street, Room 926
New York, NY 10004

All comments must be received by February 13, 2026. Submissions will be posted on the Court System's website.

NEW YORK STATE COURT OF APPEALS

Court To Hear Arguments in the Bronx in March

The Court will be hearing argument away from Court of Appeals Hall in Albany for its upcoming March 2026 Session.

On March 10, 11 and 12, the Court will hear argument at the Bronx Hall of Justice, 265 East 161 Street, Bronx, New York. Arguments will commence at 9:30AM. A live webcast of the argument may be accessed through the Court of Appeals website.

Deadline for Amicus Curiae Motions: February 2026 and March 2026 Sessions

The Court has calendared the appeals in *People v. Gaffney* (Luke J.) (APL 2025-00077), *People v. Curry* (Eugene) (APL 2025-00076), and *People v. Billups* (Ricky) (APL 2025-00108) for argument during its February 2026 Session. The Court has set a special deadline for motions seeking to participate as amicus curiae in these appeals. Motions for permission to file a brief amicus curiae in these appeals must be served no later than December 22, 2025 and noticed for a return date no later than January 5, 2026.

The Court has calendared the appeal in *Matter of Bi-Coastal Properties v. Soliman* (APL 2025-00136) for argument during its March 2026 Session. The Court has set a special deadline for motions seeking to participate as amicus curiae in this appeal. Motions for permission to file a brief amicus curiae in the Matter of Bi-Coastal Properties appeal must be served no later than January 27, 2026 and noticed for a return date no later than February 9, 2026.

Questions may be directed to the Clerk's Office at (518) 455-7705.

UNIFIED COURT SYSTEM

Advisory Committee on AI and the Courts Issues Inaugural Annual Report

An advisory group appointed by Chief Administrative Judge Joseph A. Zayas to study the intricate issues surrounding the use of artificial intelligence in the courts has released its inaugural annual report, a landmark document outlining policies, recommendations, and ethical frameworks for the responsible use of AI in the state's court system.

Drawing on the diverse expertise of its 40-plus members, the Advisory Committee on Artificial Intelligence and the Courts thoroughly explored the opportunities AI presents to improve efficiency, enhance legal services, and expand access to the courts, while also confronting the serious risks it poses, such as bias, misinformation, and threats to confidentiality and due process.

Based on extensive research, stakeholder engagement, and collaborative deliberation, the 154-page report includes findings, recommendations, and policy proposals from each of the Advisory Committee's six specialized subcommittees: Access to the Courts; Bias and Equity; Court Administration and Management; Evidence, Authenticity, and Reliability; Generative AI in Lawyering and Dispute Resolution; and Knowledge, Proficiency, and Professional Responsibility.

Among the highlights contained in the report are:

- An interim policy on AI use, adopted by the court system in October 2025, that establishes guardrails for judges and court staff, requiring AI training and restricting AI use to approved platforms such as Microsoft Copilot Chat, with the Advisory Committee now monitoring feedback from the 200-plus judges and non-judicial employees who recently completed the court system's Microsoft Copilot Chat pilot program.

- A document produced in connection with the AI use policy that sets forth ethical considerations for judges and their staff in using AI, with an emphasis on confidentiality, judicial independence, and responsible AI use.

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Kirby Psychiatric Center
Metropolitan Hospital
Manhattan Psychiatric Center
Bellevue Hospital

The following matters were assigned to the Justices named below. These actions were assigned as a result of initial notices of motion or notices of petition returnable in the court on the date indicated and the Request for Judicial Intervention forms that have been filed in the court with such initial activity in the case. All Justices, assigned parts and courtrooms are listed herein prior to the assignments of Justices for the specified actions. In addition, listed below is information on Judicial Hearing Officers, Mediation, and Special Referees.

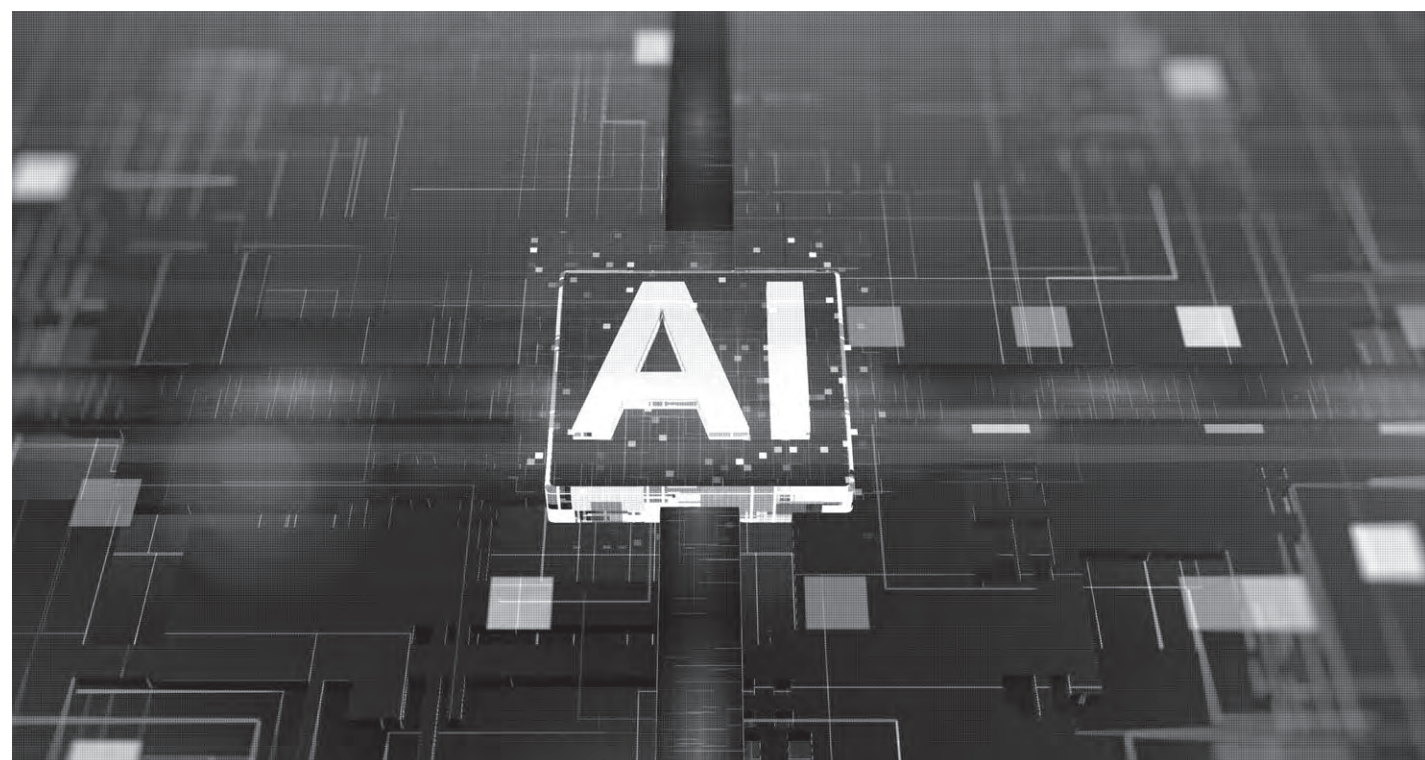
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Legal Technology

Negotiating Software Licenses In the Era of Agentic AI



BY MICHAEL KURZER

Agentic artificial intelligence (AI) systems are designed to make decisions, take actions, and pursue objectives without continuous human oversight. These systems are already demonstrating success in automation, operational efficiency, improved customer service, and R&D. Software and platform service providers are taking notice of agentic AI users.

The recent lawsuit filed by Amazon against Perplexity AI over Perplexity's "agentic" shopping feature in its Comet browser highlights concerns providers may see with automated users. Amazon asserts that Perplexity, through its Comet browser which allows automated purchases on Amazon's platform, violates Amazon's terms of service and commits computer fraud by purposely disguising

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an AI agent as a human shopper. The rise of agentic AI is now an important consideration when updating website terms of use and negotiating software licenses and Software-as-a-Service (SaaS)

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platform agreements. Ambiguity can open the door to unexpected consequences when the user is an AI agent.

Software licenses written before the use of agentic AI rarely contemplated scenarios where the "user" was a machine making its own decisions, much less a "user" capable of learning, and potentially coding a

replacement for the software it uses. An AI agent operating autonomously can perform the tasks of many human users in a fraction of the time. While it is fairly common for software licenses to include restrictions on reverse engineering, decompiling or disassembling source code, license agreements may lack clear and unambiguous restrictions on use of software, data, or outputs for training AI models, machine learning, analytics, or automated tasks.

Today, it is best to explicitly address autonomous use and to clarify whether AI agents are permitted to act as "users" under the agreement. Some licensors prohibit outright the use of AI agents, however, strict prohibition may not be practical or economically feasible in the near future, as AI agents become commonplace. If permitting agentic AI users under a software license, or if there is a risk AI agents will use the software without detection, it is important to address the legal risks and economic consequences when negotiating an agreement.

If the license fees are struc-

tured on a per-user / per-seat basis for a period of time, fees may drop dramatically when an AI agent replaces many human users. Coming up with a replacement fee structure that captures this lost revenue can be challenging, as the agentic AI "users" are constantly evolving. Some software platform providers are adopting alternative pricing models. Under a consumption-based pricing model, fees are charged based on usage metrics such as a number of instructions received, operations performed, interactions made with the system, calls to an application programming interface (API) or at more granular level as a measure of computational resources, such as processor utilization, or even power consumption.

Another possibility is to charge based on a particular outcome or business result, such as resolved issues, closed customer support tickets, successfully completed purchases, sales, pitches or business or personnel onboarding. In each case, the pricing model may require tailoring price to specific usage metrics, and the



Technology in Trials of the 2030s

BY TORREY YOUNG

Trials reflect the tools of their time. From handwritten exhibits and overhead projectors to e-discovery platforms and courtroom presentation software, technology steadily reshapes how lawyers prepare cases and present evidence.

The coming decade promises far more profound transformations. By the 2030s, advances in data analytics, artificial intelligence, and blockchain technology are likely to alter not only the mechanics of trial practice but also forms of evidence.

Anticipated technology advances will not eliminate the central role of advocacy, judgment, and storytelling. Rather, they will redefine how those skills are exercised. Trial lawyers will increasingly operate at the intersection of law and data science, which will bring unprecedented opportunities and new risks.

This article examines: 1) the anticipated future use of advanced data analytics in trial preparation; 2) the likely changing landscape of evidentiary sources; and 3) the potential for artificial intelligence to transform future trials.

Advanced Data Analytics in Trial Preparation

The past two decades brought "big data" to trials. Litigation teams have grown accustomed to managing large volumes of data with e-discovery platforms that allow lawyers to search, filter, and review millions of "documents." "Documents" have transformed from hard copy papers to electronic PDFs to years of short-form messaging. E-discovery platforms have also already begun shifting from solely managing data to allowing for the application of strategic intelligence. Platforms now include predictive coding capabilities and early-stage conceptual analytics. For example, lawyers can now look at clusters of documents based on artificial intelligence identifying similarities in the documents. Patterns in communication can be visually mapped. Tools are also emerging for combining data sets to create chronologies of events.

In the years to come, advanced analytics tools will increasingly synthesize and analyze information across disparate data sources—documents, emails, messaging platforms, metadata, geolocation, and publicly available information. Analyzing patterns across data types will allow for new capabilities in assessing culpability, liability, and even credibility. Rather than simply asking whether a document contains a keyword, lawyers might soon be able to ask questions to the technology like: How did communication patterns change over time? Which actors were central to decision-making? Do financial anomalies correlate with key events alleged? What data is inconsistent with my client's statements?

This shift in technology capabilities will affect early case assessment and trial preparation for plaintiffs, defendants, and the government. Parties will be able to model case theories, test how

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trial theories hold up against the data, and refine trial themes in ways never previously available. These future predictive analytics may play a larger role in evaluating trial risk and settlement negotiations, as well as trial strategies. While such tools will never replace legal judgment, they may increasingly influence strategic decisions such as whether to pursue summary judgment aggressively, how to frame key issues for trial, or when to consider a settlement offer.

By the 2030s predictive analytics tools may also be able to smoothly combine discovery databases with various other public data sets, such as verdict data and judges' tendencies. This will allow for assessments of cases in entirely new ways. Lawyers may be able to advise clients on probabilities of out-

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comes based on trial theories or the likelihood of success on specific pre-trial rulings. Demographic data, publicly available digital footprints, and behavioral research may also be integrated to inform voir dire strategy—subject, of course, to evolving legal and ethical constraints.

Each jurisdiction's professional rules of ethics, each district court's rules, each judge's individual rules, and each protective order will have to be considered before deploying any of these potential tools of the 2030s. And while the goal will not be to "engineer" a jury or trial, analytics may help lawyers identify attitudes or experiences that correlate with receptiveness to certain arguments.

This raises difficult questions about privacy, fairness, and the extent to which data-driven insights should influence jury selection and trial strategy. Courts and state bars will likely grapple with questions about transparency and overreliance, particularly if predictive tools are treated as objective rather than probabilistic. Regardless, litigation will become intrinsically intertwined with analytics in ways never seen before.

The Changing Landscape of Evidence

While the functionality of e-discovery platforms will evolve and change the shape of future trials, the data collected and hosted on those platforms will also change. As daily life becomes increasingly digitized, the evidentiary record in trials will continue to expand accordingly. Gone are the days of a banker's box of exhibits. Trials now entail countless message threads of varying types—texts,Whatsapps, Signals, Telegrams, Slack, etc. Google search histories, phone geolocation data, and massive spreadsheets inundate exhibit lists. By the 2030s, evidence may also routinely include data from wearable devices, smart home systems, workplace monitoring software, and algorithmic decision-making systems.

More and more we can expect to have granular insight into behavior, timing, and context—but it will also introduce complexity. Lawyers will

How Legal Operations Can Evaluate Outside Counsel in the Age of AI

BY AMIT DUNGARANI

Legal departments are becoming more demanding in their expectations around the use of artificial intelligence (AI). C-suite executives are pressing for significant cost and efficiency gains over the next few years: 79% of CEOs say they expect generative AI to transform their organizations, and they anticipate 20%-30% cost savings from AI-enabled automation and optimization.

Rapid, widespread adoption of AI is also making it more challenging for legal departments to evaluate outside counsel. Plenty of firms now claim to use AI, but that disclosure alone reveals nothing about the maturity, security, or value delivered for legal operations professionals. There may be a huge gap between firms that are experimenting with AI and firms fully prepared to use it responsibly.

While legal departments are right to expect partners who understand the promise and potential of AI, traditional methods of evaluating outside counsel are no longer sufficient for today's environment. Instead of asking if a firm uses AI, legal departments should focus on how, and look for outcome-based

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proof, from the depth of AI adoption to documented governance. The real differentiator is depth over breadth: firms that embed AI deeply generate higher-quality insights that inform legal strategy and drive measurable cost and risk reduction. Anything less invites higher spend and avoidable risk for legal teams.

Traditional Outside Counsel Evaluation Falls Short

Conflicting economic incentives complicate the picture further. Traditional billable-hour models aren't designed to reward the efficiency gains that AI can deliver in document review, research, or e-discovery. In fact, these structures can unintentionally discourage innovation rather than support it.

Governance and defensibility also vary widely across firms, with only 41% of law firms having formal policies governing AI

use, and just 40% offering any form of AI training for team members. Without clear guardrails, missteps are far more likely, leading to hallucinated case citations, unvetted summaries, and inconsistent or missed HITL review.

While many firms highlight their AI capabilities in marketing materials and proposals, broad claims of expertise tell us very little about the specific tools and workflows they are using, the potential for measurable cost and efficiency gains, or how a firm perceives and mitigates risk related to AI. To separate firms offering real capability from those that are still experimenting, legal operations teams need a structured evaluation model.

5 Considerations for Evaluating the AI Readiness of Outside Counsel

1. **Adoption and Integration.** The first indicator of AI

readiness is consistency. Mature firms integrate AI across practice groups and attorney levels, with standardized workflows, usage tracking, and shared best practices. Firmwide adoption signals institutional learning and a much higher likelihood of reliable, repeatable outcomes

When evaluating the depth of adoption and integration, ask:

- How widely and consistently is AI adopted at your firm?
- What percentage of attorneys use AI in their daily practice?
- Is AI adoption evenly distributed across seniority levels?
- Do attorneys follow a consistent, firmwide process?

2. **Strategic AI vs. "Just AI Tools".** The accessibility of commercial AI tools makes it easy for law firms to claim adoption. The true differentiator is whether a firm operates under

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ability to make pricing adjustments in the future based on changing performance of the AI agent user.

There are risks inherent not only to using an AI agent directly, but also interacting with others using AI agents. An AI agent is designed to operate autonomously, and may infringe intellectual property or data rights, breach licenses or other contract terms, violate privacy and other laws, and create data security vulnerabilities. Both software licensors and licensees may be using AI agents. In a typical software license, liability is not always unambiguously allocated to the party using the AI agent, especially if the risks were not contemplated or understood at the time the agreement is negotiated.

Sometimes risks are not immediately apparent, as agentic AI users may come up with unexpected corner use-cases. Sometimes the risks cannot be addressed with allocation of liability in indemnification and limitations of liability clauses. For example, if the agentic AI creates a non-infringing workaroud

or replacement for software it uses. The AI agent may not literally copy or create derivative works of the software it uses, but nevertheless replicate non-confidential and unpatented functionality. Without clear contractual prohibitions or limits on these activities, and no clear infringement of its intellectual property rights, the software owner may be left with little or no recourse.

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Both licensors and licensees should also strongly consider adopting AI governance frameworks and tools capable of tracking how AI agents access, use, and even potentially modify licensed software. AI agents may also expose organizations to unintentional noncompliance. A company's procurement department might believe it is operating within the scope of its licenses, while AI agents within the enterprise quietly incorporate unauthorized libraries,

“viral” open-source software, APIs, or SaaS tools.

Without enhanced monitoring, issues may remain undetected until a dispute arises. When business functions are offloaded to AI agents, monitoring and procedural safeguards are essential, not just because regulators and industry groups are pushing for updated frameworks and accountability, but these tools are invaluable to

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a formal, comprehensive, and mature AI strategy with oversight. Firms that have adopted AI strategically typically have AI steering committees, documented HITL protocols, matter-level reporting, and active partner involvement. These are all indicators of institutional capability rather than ad hoc use.

When evaluating strategic maturity, ask:

- Does your firm have a formal AI strategy?
- Are there documented workflows that include human reviews?
- Are partners accountable for supervising AI work?
- Is AI training mandatory?
- Are AI-generated outputs flagged and reviewed by mid- or senior-level attorneys?

3. Hours to Outcomes: Economic Alignment. AI's value proposition is to deliver efficiency, but traditional billable-hour models can lead to a mismatch. Legal departments should evaluate whether a firm's billing structure rewards efficiency or inadvertently penalizes it. Evidence of economic alignment includes measurable reductions in billable hours, greater predictability through AFAs, and transparency around time saved.

When evaluating economic alignment, ask:

- How does AI affect your billing practices?
- How do you measure and report time saved?
- Do you offer alternative fee arrangements (AFAs) to reflect AI-enabled workflows?
- Are clients charged each time

AI is applied to a document?

- How are internal incentives aligned with efficiency goals?
- **4. Governance and Risk Management.** Corporate legal departments cannot risk AI malpractice by outside counsel. Strong governance separates firms capable of

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defensible innovation from those relying on risky experimentation. To ensure AI is used safely, there must be policies and processes in place. Outside counsel should be able to point to clear AI usage policies — including documented safeguards against hallucinations or bias, audit trails, and consistent HITL workflows. All incentives should also align with the firm's efficiency goals.

When evaluating governance and risk management, ask:

- Does the firm prohibit the use of free consumer AI tools (e.g., ChatGPT) for confidential client matters?
- What enterprise-grade AI platforms and data agreements are in place?
- Is sensitive data encrypted and logged?
- What audit controls exist?

5. Measurable Outcomes and AI Effectiveness. AI readiness should be clear and quantifiable. Before choosing to work with outside counsel, ask them to specify how much time and resources they have

been able to save by, for example, reviewing with AI as opposed to doing a manual review. If a firm can't quantify improvements in speed, accuracy and cost, they probably aren't using AI in a mature way.

When evaluating potential outcomes and effectiveness, ask:

- In how many matters have you used AI over the past year?
- What specific reductions in hours, spend, or turnaround time were achieved?
- Can you share anonymized examples?

For Better Outside Counsel, Ask the Right Questions

Evaluating outside counsel is far more complex in the age of AI. While most firms now claim capability, distinguishing between surface-level experimentation and institutional competence is essential. By asking targeted, outcome-focused questions — and expecting transparency in return — legal departments can identify firms that have operationalized AI safely, defensibly, and efficiently. A structured evaluation process mitigates risk and establishes a foundation for stronger results in the future.

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need to understand how data is generated, stored, and potentially altered, and courts will need frameworks to assess reliability and relevance. Authentication disputes may shift from whether a document is genuine to whether data streams were accurately captured, whether algorithms functioned as intended, and whether underlying datasets were biased or incomplete. Furthermore, if an algorithm produces a result but its internal logic is opaque—even to its creators—how should a court evaluate it for evidentiary purposes?

While algorithms and increased digital footprints present admissibility questions, blockchain technology may present some answers for trial lawyers in the next decade. Blockchain technology offers a potential solution to longstanding challenges around evidence integrity. By creating immutable records of data creation, access, and modification, blockchain-based systems could strengthen chain-of-custody arguments for digital evidence. In the 2030s, certain categories of records—such as financial transactions, supply chain data, or regulatory submissions—may be routinely recorded on distributed ledgers. Parties could use

blockchain records to demonstrate authenticity of evidence with greater ease.

The federal rules committees—evidence, civil and criminal procedure—will have to grapple with whether the existing framework

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Artificial Intelligence And the Future Trial

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AI may assist trial lawyers in testing themes, refining opening statements, or translating complex technical evidence into accessible explanations. These capabilities will continue to raise concerns about accuracy. None of these future technology advancements will relieve lawyers of their ethical obligations, duty of competence, and duty of candor to the court. Lawyers must continue to carefully review and present to a court only case law and materials that they have vetted and in good faith believe to be genuine, authentic, and admissible for the particular proceeding.

If permitted by the judge in the courtroom, AI may soon be able to assist litigators in identifying inconsistencies in testimony during trial, flagging anomalous evidence as it is admitted, and even proposing lines of cross-examination based on prior statements and data patterns.

Evidence presentation itself is likely to become more immersive with AI. High-resolution video, 3D

reconstructions, and potentially augmented or virtual reality tools could allow juries to experience reconstructions of scenes, timelines, or processes. While such tools may enhance comprehension, they also risk undue persua-

sion. Courts will need to consider at what point immersive demonstrations created by AI crosses the line from explanation to emotional manipulation, and how traditional evidentiary safeguards apply in these new formats, but one could imagine a world in which AI tools better inform factfinders of the relevant information.

Conclusion

The technological transformation of trials in the 2030s will not diminish the importance of core trial skills. Credibility, judgment, and the ability to communicate persuasively will remain central. What will change is the context in which those skills are deployed. Lawyers will need greater technological literacy and the ability to challenge assumptions, and explain complex systems to decision-makers.

In the coming years, firms and legal departments may increasingly collaborate with data scientists, engineers, and litigation support professionals as integral members of trial teams. Advanced data analytics will inform strategy, new forms of evidence will need to be considered, and AI will offer new tools for presenting information to a jury. Lawyers who can wisely integrate technological insight with sound advocacy will be best positioned to serve their clients and the justice system.

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• Recommendations for the use of AI tools that, prioritizing data security, transparency, and accountability and guarding against bias, will serve to assist unrepresented litigants and improve language accessibility.

• Findings related to the assessment and admissibility of AI-generated evidence and ways for courts to avoid the risk of unreliable evidence being admitted at trial and prevent unnecessary delays in proceedings, among other evidentiary issues.

• Recommendations on the use of AI to enhance court operations and administration, such as for court research, case inventory management, computer programming, and data security, among other tasks.

• Strategies for mitigating bias, with the Advisory Committee calling for safeguards to ensure that AI tools are developed and implemented in a manner that promotes equity, prevents unfair bias, and sup-

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ports the courts' ability to safeguard the rights of all individuals, particularly those from historically marginalized communities. The report contains detailed findings from the Bias and Equity Subcommittee that address the risks, as well as the legal and ethical challenges, presented by AI in the justice system. These findings underscore the need for guardrails to prevent algorithmic bias, along with crossvalidation protocols and strict limits on AI, particularly in the high-risk context of assisting with crucial decisions such as bail and sentencing.

• Proposals for the creation of educational materials to promote AI literacy for all court users.

• Recommendations for expanded judicial training and CLE programs, with the Advisory Committee on AI in the Courts collaborating with the courts' Advisory Committee on Judicial Ethics in presenting several judicial training programs designed to address some of the legal, practical, and ethical dimensions of AI.

"The use of AI and by our courts must be thoughtful, careful, and principled," said Chief Judge Rowan D. Wilson. "This report provides a roadmap for harnessing technology to improve efficiency and access to justice while safeguarding fairness and fostering public trust in our courts and justice system."

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816979/23 Jeeuth v. NYCH&HC
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800770/24 Lissette Santos As
The Executor of The Estate
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Nursing Home, Inc.
815941/22 Manzueta v. Co-Op.
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Justice Ben R. Barbato
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Room 702, 9:30 A.M.

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814607/22 Abraham v. Rios
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Service LLC
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Tobacco
810858/23 Bhalli v. Ryan
802625/21 Castillo v. Pataca
806374/15 Davidson v. Manhattan
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804138/21 Flores v. Eure
811498/22 Garcia Manriquez v. Sow
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23393/15 Paul v. City Car & Limo.

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Justice Erin Noelle Guven
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Room 409, 9:30 A.M.

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807922/23 Almonte Lopez v. Julio
Molina Express Inc. Et Al
807223/24 Brown v. Ayisab
81710/22 Cabral v. North Shore
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Freight, Inc. Et Al
817379/23 Ceballos v. NYCTA Et Al
810119/21 Cortijo v. Zhang
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818919/24 Herrera Tello v. Hp
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803472/24 Ibar v. Thomas
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814852/23 Torres v. Uber
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801468/24 Alston v. Enlightened
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809270/22 Castillo v. Velez
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Al
815968/22 Diaz-Plasencia v.
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Part 30
Justice Erik L. Gray
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 Room 703, 9:30 A.M.

Part 31/32
Justice Fidel E. Gomez
 Phone 718-618-1203
 Room 403, 9:30 A.M.

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 80656723 Garcia-Sena v. Lunegov
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 3093519 Martinez v. Sanchez
 80139024 Nieves v. Felix
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Part 34
Justice Michael A. Frishman
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 Room 705, 9:30 A.M.

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 819621/23 Yonnina Torres-Fambro v. Tprnc LLC Et Al

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Justice Raymond P. Fernandez
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 Room 625, 9:30 A.M.

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 808968/22 Baldera v. City Bronx Leasing Inc D/b/a City Livery Leasing Inc Et Al

813230/22 Baltazar v. Jackson
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816951/22 Cabrera v. Ortega
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 802696/24 Canizares v. 424 Sheva Rty. Housing Dev. Fund Co.
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 801176/24 Dally v. Irapuilla
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 803550/22 Davis v. Bronx Phase III Housing Co., Inc.; Et Al
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 808576/23 Vega v. Uber Technologies, Inc. Et Al
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 806462/22 Wickham v. Thrift Land Auto Corp Et Al
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 Sean Hepson
Part IDV-SCF
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 Ariyah-Hoda Mnahsheh
 Gary Pinerio
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 Everton M. Green
 Jordan Reyes
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 26/01137 People ex rel. Lee, on behalf of Delgado v. Commissioner of the New York
 25/08987 People of the State of New York v. Mayrhofer (S)
 14/11351 People v. Rafikian, Mohammad (Q)
 19/11915 People v. Rafikian, Mohammad (Q)
 19/11916 People v. Rafikian, Mohammed (Q)
 25/02119 Donohue v. City of Long Beach (N)
 24/13103 Feldsherova v. Lee (K)
 25/04911 Residential Mortgage Loan Trust v. Elshiekh (N)
 24/10685 Broskett v. St. Catherine of Siena Nursing and Rehabilitation Care (S)
 25/05002 Pagan v. Salib (Q)
 25/05004 Pagan v. Salib (Q)
 24/09744 Mar.and v. NPL Consulting Services, Inc. (K)
 24/10683 Ingram v. Small (K)
 23/07729 SRP 14/18 v. Figaro (K)
 22/07472 TAB Equity Group LLC v. Sharestates Investments DACL, LLC (N)
 23/05576 Cheemanall v. Toolsee (Q)
 24/12093 Compensation Guidance Inc. v. Aspro Plumbing Inc. (K)
 24/08527 Suffolk County Public Administrator v. Davin's Funeral Home, Inc. (S)
 25/07014 Suarez v. Rankin (Q)
 24/09534 Kogan v. Ryndin (K)
 24/09030 Mohamad v. Cosmpo (Q)
 23/08298 Matter of Kopf, deceased (Q)
 23/11341 Matter of Kopf, deceased (Q)
 25/02335 Brandford v. Brandford (K)
 24/13310 Dimairo v. Garden Care Center, Inc.) (S)

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Iannacci, J.P., Taylor, Landicino and Goldberg Velazquez, J.J.
 20/02063 People v. Byers, Timothy (K)
 18/11571 People v. Geude, Ble, also known as Ble, Geude (K)
 25/08278 People of State of New York v. Gafur (Q)
 24/1343 Isenberg v. Isenberg (RO)
 24/2631 Olivares v. Andacky (N)
 24/13337 Ramirez v. Issa (K)
 24/09918 Zeltser v. Kukolev (RI)
 24/12903 Tobon v. Ryder Construction Inc. (Q)
 25/03823 Tobon v. Ryder Construction Inc. (Q)
 24/04418 Sirota v. Shtrakman (K)
 24/09598 Matter of SFG ISF Supply Jerico, LLC v. Stanco (S)

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 23/02527 People v. Flores, Joseph (RI)
 24/00079 People v. Harris, Wayne (K)
 19/13711 People v. Essor, Richard (K)
 24/01937 People v. Carroll, Kevin (N)
 24/12324 Matter of M. (Anonymous), Joshua A.; Jewish Child Care Association (Q)
 24/12325 Matter of M. (Anonymous), Julia A.; Jewish Child Care Associati (Q)
 24/07876 Wilmington v. Schwartz (K)
 25/05173 Wilmington v. Schwartz (K)
 25/05174 Wilmington v. Schwartz (K)
 25/00980 Oleg Pen v. City of New York (K)
 21/06101 Matter of Congregation Bais Torah v. Orangetown Monsey Hebrew School (RO)
 20/02272 Matter of Kopald v. Town of Highlands (O)
 20/02351 Matter of Kopald v. Town of Highlands (O)
 21/05163 Matter of Kopald v. Town of Highlands New York Zoning Board of Appeals (O)
 21/06233 Matter of Kopald v. Town of Highlands, New York Zoning Board of Appeals (O)
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 25/04438 Bellavia v. Hoppenstein (S)
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 24/04253 Matter of Garnet Health Medical Center v. People of State of New York (O)
 24/09402 Matter of Garnet Health Medical Center v. People of State of New York (O)
 24/12989 Matter of Garnet Health Medical Center v. People of State of New York (O)
 24/08903 Finelli v. Fulton Commons Care Center, Inc. (N)
 24/03493 Lewis v. NYCTA (K)
 24/11396 Lewis v. New York City Transit Authority (K)
 24/08670 Matter of Hernandez v. New York City Employees' Retirement System (K)
 25/03453 Vlasaty v. State of New York
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Court To Be Held in Central Islip, NY
LaSalle, P.J., Chambers, Wooten and Youtsinas, J.J.
 25/09030 People of State of New York v. Sappell (Q)
 23/09189 People v. Reyes, Reynaldo (N)
 25/01681 People v. Reyes, Reynaldo (N)
 18/09261 People v. Vaughn, Alexander (S)
 25/02204 People v. Arevalo, Jesus (N)
 24/07315 People of State of New York v. Finney (RI)
 24/03645 People v. Cardoza, Balbino (N)
 24/11521 Matter of A. (Anonymous), Aurora (S)
 25/00514 Matter of Kaye v. Triantis (N)
 24/04566 Matter of Salvatore v. South Cntry Central School District (S)
 24/04836 Matter of Dopkin v. County of Nassau (N)
 25/02612 Culp v. Silverline Services, Inc. (N)
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