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## HONORS AND AWARDS

**WCP** received a "Human Rights Community Award" for its *pro bono* efforts on behalf of the World Organization Against Torture at the 1999 Human Rights Day Community Award Luncheon, held December 10, 1999, on Capitol Hill." **P.J. Mode, Maura Griffin**, and former WCP associate **Shelby Quast** have assisted the organization by providing legal research in connection with the implementation of the United Nations Convention Against Torture. The award was noted in a *Legal Times* "Pro Bono Bulletin Board" piece, in which **Maura** was quoted. (January 3, 2000, p. 14.)

## PRESS PIECES & OTHER PUBLICITY

**Bill Perlstein** was pictured and quoted in a *Legal Times* article about the trend among D.C. law firms to implement discretionary bonus systems for associates. ("Wilmer, Cutler Bucks the Trend," January 3, 2000, p. 13.)

**Susan Crawford** was quoted in a *Financial Times* online article concerning the jurisdictional questions faced in regulating the "borderless" world of electronic commerce. ("Global E-Commerce Law Under Spotlight," December 23, 1999, at <http://www.ft.com/hippocampus/q30ee16.htm>.)

**Lloyd Cutler** was quoted in a *Legal Times* article about the secret 1942 trial of eight Nazi saboteurs, six of whom were subsequently executed. **Lloyd** was present at the trial, serving as a junior law clerk for the prosecution. (A Special Issue: The Century, "Death Sentences Behind Closed Doors," December 20, 1999, p. 20.)

**Steve Sachs** was featured in a *Daily Record* article about his plans after retirement from **WCP**. ("What Will Sachs Do Now? A Hint: Don't Look for Him at Leisure World," January 6, 2000, p. 1C.)

**Steve Sachs** and **Howard Shapiro** were mentioned in a *Daily Record* article about an appellate court decision handed down on January 4, 2000, in favor of **WCP** client Igen. The article included a photo of **Steve**. ("Igen Wins Court of Appeals Decision Against Swiss Giant," January 5, 2000, p. 1A.)

**Jeff Shane** was quoted in a *Washington Post* article about new flights between Dublin and BWI proposed by Aer Lingus. ("Air Lingus Seeks to Offer BWI Service," January 5, 2000.)

**Bill Wilkins** was quoted in a *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* article about the promotion and use of questionable corporate tax shelters. ("Prepackaged Corporate Tax Shelters Criticized; Improper Write-Offs May Cost U.S. Billions A Year," November 28, 1999, p. 1.)

**WCP** was one of several firms profiled in a *Legal Times* genealogy of Washington firms. (A Special Issue: The Century, "When Covington Met Burling," December 20, 1999, p. 27.)

## SPEECHES, PANELS & PRESENTATIONS

**Roger Patterson** spoke about "The Legal Requirements of Corporate Disclosure" at a conference for CEOs, CFOs, and investor relations professionals entitled "Dealing with Analysts and the Press." The conference was held on December 13, 1999, in Orlando, Florida.

On December 10, 1999, **Jeff Shane** spoke at a conference on "Deregulation of Network Industries: What's Next?" The

conference was held in Washington, D.C., and sponsored by the American Enterprise Institute - Brookings Institution Joint Center. On December 9, **Jeff** chaired a meeting of the Military Aircraft Committee of the National Defense Transportation Association in Garden City, New York. **Jeff** also chaired a meeting of the ICC Commission on Air Transport at the International Chamber of Commerce's headquarters in Paris on December 1, 1999.

#### BOOKS, ARTICLES & OTHER WRITINGS

**Dr. Roland Steinmeyer** and **Thorsten Seidel** wrote an article concerning the consequences arising from a new jurisdiction in connection with corporate law. ("Das Verhältnis von Anfechtungs- und Nichtigkeitsklagen im Recht der Aktiengesellschaft und GmbH," *Deutsches Steurrecht*, December 17, 1999, p. 2072.)

The November/December 1999 issue of *Business Entities* includes an article by **Bill Wilkins** entitled "What Will Congress Do About Corporate Tax Shelters?"

**The Investment Company and Investment Advisers Act Practice Group** issued a newsletter about a recent SEC no-action letter to Signature Financial Group regarding redemptions made by affiliated shareholders. ("No-Action Letter Permits Redemptions in Kind by Affiliates," December 30, 1999.)

**The Securities Practice Group** issued a newsletter summarizing the findings and recommendations of Commissioner Laura Unger and the New York Attorney General's Office with regard to online brokerage. ("Online Brokerage: Regulatory Scrutiny Intensifies at Both Federal and State Level," December 23, 1999.)

**The Corporate and Securities Practice Group** issued a newsletter on three rules recently proposed by the SEC with regard to selective disclosure and insider trading law. ("Commission Issues Proposed Rules on Selective Disclosure and Insider Trading," December 23, 1999.)

**The Brussels Office** issued the November 1999 edition of *WCP Status Report: Aviation in the European Union*, covering recent developments in ground handling; airline alliances, mergers, acquisitions, and joint ventures; air safety; and aircraft noise standards. The office also issued the July 1 - September 30, 1999, edition of *Competition Law Report* (Report No. 40), covering developments in the areas of distribution; cooperation, information exchange, and specialization; joint ventures; abuse of dominant position; merger control; air transport; intellectual property rights; Article 86 EC/State Action; procedure; State aids; policy; and the EEA Agreement.

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