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PRESS PIECES & OTHER PUBLICITY

Kurt Schmoke and **Ted Killory** were mentioned and quoted in *The Washington Post*, *The New York Times*, and *The Los Angeles Times*, among other publications, and appeared in news reports on *CNN* and all U.S. and Canadian television networks, in connection with the firm's representation of Jose Imperatori, the Cuban diplomat declared *persona non grata* by the State Department and expelled from the United States on February 26, 2000.

Paul Engelmayer, **Lewis Liman**, **Andy Kaizer**, and **David Lurie** were mentioned in the *New York Law Journal's* "Personals" column as having joined **WCP's** New York office. (March 3, 2000, p.2).

Eric Mahr was mentioned in *The Global Competition Review*, with regard to his joining WCP's antitrust and competition practice. ("News from the Competition Community," February/March 2000, p.4)

The Global Competition Review also mentioned that AOL has chosen **WCP** to represent the company in the EU and to coordinate filings in other countries in AOL's proposed \$140 billion merger with Time Warner. Specifically mentioned in the article were **Jim Venit**, **Thomas Mueller**, **Sven Voelcker**, **Esme von der Groeben**, **Andy Lorentz**, **Bill Kolasky**, **Pat Carome**, **Janet Durholz Ridge**, and **Jeff Ayer**. ("News from the Competition Community," *The Global Competition Review*, February/March 2000, p.5)

Bill Perlstein was quoted in an article in *The Washington Post's* "Hearsay" column, entitled, "Keeping Up With the Gundersons." The article focused on the frenzy in DC and nationwide over boosting

associate salaries. (February 28, 2000, p.35).

Steve Sachs was mentioned in an article in *The Daily Record* regarding his joining the Public Justice Center. ("After 15 Years, the Public Justice Center Has a New Target: The Appeals Process," February 19, 2000, p. 1C).

New partners **Bruce Rabinovitz**, **Jeff Manley**, and counsel **Cathleen Peterson** have joined WCP's aviation and defense practice, as noted in *Legal Times'* "Inadmissible" column. **Bill Perlstein** was quoted in the article, stating that "this move is an opportunity to expand what we think is the premier aviation practice anywhere." (February 28, 2000, p. 4).

SPEECHES, PANELS & PRESENTATIONS

Steve Black was a featured speaker at the National Institute of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, held in Redondo Beach, California, February 17-18, 2000. The conference offered expert panelists with years of first-hand experience working on several FCPA issues.

John Payton and **Scott Blackmer** spoke on February 17 and 18 in Orlando, Florida, at the Dixon Conference on E-Filing and E-Commerce organized by Glasser LegalWorks and the University of Florida Levin College of Law. **John**, along with WCP alumnus, **The Honorable James Robertson**, participated in panels that discussed electronic filing systems for the courts and their impact on litigation and bankruptcy practices. **Scott** presented an overview of e-commerce legal issues that are relevant to both commercial and public online transactions.

Scott Blackmer and **Soo Yim** both made presentations at the February 22-23 ICM-FINSTRAs conference on Electronic Brokerage and Trading Regulatory Compliance, held in New York. **Scott** spoke on "New Privacy Regulation and the Securities Industry," distributing the relevant WCP *E-Commerce News* article he co-authored with **Franca Harris**. **Soo** spoke about "Successfully Marketing and Advertising Online Financial Services," and included in the conference materials a recent issue of WCP's *Securities Law Developments* on this topic.

Eric Mogilnicki's testimony before the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts was mentioned in *Banking Daily*. **Eric** testified on behalf of the American Bankers Association, the Consumer Bankers Association, the American Financial Services Association, and the National Retail Federation. His testimony focused on arbitration in general, saying it offers consumers a faster, cheaper way to resolve disputes. He also said banks or other businesses that agree to arbitration often give up some of their own rights by forfeiting their own ability to pursue remedies in court. (*Banking Daily*, March 2, 2000).

Duncan Sutherland was a panelist in the worldwide Windows 2000 Launch, held February 17, 2000, at Port Discovery in Baltimore. **Duncan** described WCP's ability to use leading edge technology to meet the needs of our clients.

Harry Weiss helped lead a course entitled, "Emerging Issues under the Federal Securities Act," held February 28, 2000, at the DC Bar Conference Center. The course provided a general overview of the current issues in litigation under the federal securities laws.

HONORS & APPOINTMENTS

Dan Marcus, a former WCP partner, has been named by President Clinton as an Associate Attorney General at the Department of Justice.

Laura Heymann was awarded the 1999 John H. Pickering Award for *Pro Bono* Activities at the *Pro Bono* Luncheon on February 16, 2000. During 1999, **Laura** performed just over 200 hours of pro bono work, ranging from representation of a disabled woman battling the Social Security Administration for back benefits to crafting a 5th Circuit *amicus* brief arguing the nuances of the Second Amendment.

WCP was honored by the D.C.-based Women Empowered Against Violence, Inc. (WEAVE) on February 29, 2000. In October, WEAVE kicked off its Firm Stand Against Violence, a program that calls on local firms to donate time and money and to raise community awareness about the problem. ("Pro Bono Bulletin Board," *Legal Times*, February 28, 2000, p.19).

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