## PRESS PIECES & OTHER PUBLICITY

WCP was mentioned in a *National Law Journal Corporate Brief* article with regard to being hired as antitrust and European competition counsel by Bestfoods, which is expected to be acquired by international conglomerate, Unilever, for \$24.3 billion. The article named Bill Kolasky, Robert Bell, John Ratliff, Martin Ramirez, Augusto Repetto, and Janet Ridge as key attorneys working on the case ("Deal of the Week," June 19, 2000, p. 2).

WCP was mentioned in a *Legal Intelligencer* article as being hired as antitrust counsel by Network Solutions in its antitrust case ("Bucking Domain Name Solution," July 5, 2000, p. 4).

**WCP** was mentioned in the "Hearsay" column of *The Washington Post* with regard to being hired by the New York Attorney General to defend the lawsuit filed against him by the gun manufacturers (July 10, 2000, p. 31).

WCP also was mentioned in a *Business Wire* article with regard to our being one of the major U.S. law firms to join LawCommerce.com, a new company featuring an e-marketplace for products, services, advanced technology, and communications solutions for the law industry ("Major U.S. Law Firms Join in E-Marketplace," July 5, 2000).

## Craig Goldblatt and David

**Johnson** were quoted in a *Legal Times* article in connection with the D.C. trial courts' planning to start using electronic filings on the Web ("Paper Shredders," July 10, 2000, pp. 1, 7-8).

**David Johnson** was mentioned in a *Legal Times* article in connection with his membership on the legal advisory board of SquareTrade, a company specializing in online dispute resolution ("Burned by eBay? SquareTrade May Offer Resolution," June 26, 2000, p. 24).

Harry Weiss commented on the background, expertise, and knowledge of Laura Unger, a former SEC co-worker of his, in an *Investment News* article about Ms. Unger ("I Don't Think Anyone Says that a Calculator. . . Triggers a Suitability Obligation," July 3, 2000).

**Boyden Gray** was quoted in a *New York Times* article about the suit seeking to overturn the law probhibiting out-of-state wineries from shipping directly to New York ("The Big City: A Tea Party Like Boston's, Over Wine?" July 4, 2000, B1).

**Boyden** also was quoted in a *Denver Post* article on transition planning after a presidential election ("Winning Election Only the First Step: Transition Planning a Must to Avoid Woes," July 5, 2000, p. A2).

## SPEECHES, PANELS & PRESENTATIONS

On June 8, **Jane Hruska** spoke on "Creating a Culture that Makes Them Want to Stay" at the 3rd Annual Firm Association Management Forum: Improving Retention through Better Communications & Management, held in Washington, D.C.

**Rossa Fanning**, a summer associate in Brussels, gave a speech on June 15, 2000, at a dinner hosted by the American Ambassador to Ireland. **Fanning**, who last year studied for his LL.M. at the University of Michigan, was invited to speak on his experience as a Fulbright scholar in the United States. The dinner was the culmination of the Fulbright Program's annual private sector fundraising effort in Ireland.

Marcia Wiss spoke on foreign investment at a conference entitled, "Women: The Emerging Economic Force," held in Washington, D.C., on June 16, 2000, by the Center for International Private Enterprise of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

Please send information on professional activities to **Marianne Helms** in Practice Development, for future issues of **WCP - In The News**. Andreas Weitbrecht spoke at the Europa-Institut Freiburg Conference on New Developments in European Competition Law, held in association with the University of Freiburg, on June 24, 2000. His topic was "The Commission's Enforcement Practice With Respect to International Cartels: Fining Guidelines and the Leniency Program."

**Soo Yim** spoke at the Internet Securities Regulation's "Alternative Trading Systems: Electronic Communication Networks" seminar on June 26, 2000, in New York City.

On June 27, 2000, WCP's Berlin Office and the Institute of Electronic Business cohosted an E-Commerce Roundtable entitled, "M-Way: Risks and Opportunities for a Mobile Internet."

On July 3, 2000, **John Ratliff** spoke at the European Centre for Public Affairs Brussels (ECPAB) on "European Competition Law and Business Strategies."

On July 5, 2000, **Sven Vöelcker** spoke at ECPAB on "The Court of European Justice."

**Tom Olson** appeared on CNN's "Burden of Proof," on July 5, 2000, as a neutral expert on trademark law to talk about the prospects for a lawsuit filed by an author who claims she originated some characters in the Harry Potter books.

## BOOKS, ARTICLES & OTHER WRITINGS

**Natalie Lübben** wrote an article entitled, "German Efforts to Regulate E-Commerce" for *Corporate Finance's* May supplement "Germany Meets the Challenges" (pp. 21-23).

**Bill Wilkins** wrote an article entitled, "Taming the Individual Alternative Minimum Tax," in the "Washington Watch" section of the May-June issue of *Business Entities* (p. 14). **Brian Menkes** wrote an article, "Contribution to Sweepstakes is Deductible as a Charitable Contribution," for the "Letter Rulings" section of the June issue of *The Exempt Organization Tax Review* (p. 513).

On June 30, 2000, **WCP's Berlin Office** published a newsletter, entitled, "Relevance of the New Act on Distant Selling in Germany: Important rules and consequences of the Act, which will enter into force on June 30, 2000." The newsletter was in conjunction with the **Berlin Office's** E-Commerce Roundtable.

WCP's EGroup published its May-June newsletter, entitled "Spotlight on the FTC."

On July 6, 2000, **Nita Crowley**, John **Payton, Carolyn Cox**, and **Craig Goldblatt** published a WCP Employment Law Newsletter entitled, "Obtaining Summary Judgement After *Reeves*."

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