

Scott & Scott, LLP Advises What Software Customers Should Know About the Recent IBM Acquisition of Kenexa

IBM recently added Kenexa to its software portfolio. Kenexa provides recruiting and talent management software and services. Scott & Scott, LLP, intellectual property and technology law firm, suggests that Kenexa customers evaluate IBM's licensing rules before making additional purchases from IBM or upgrading to <u>IBM "blue-washed"</u> products.

Southlake, TX (<u>PRWEB</u>) December 06, 2012 -- IBM completed its acquisition of <u>Kenexa</u> on December 3rd. Kenexa combines cloud-based software and recruiting process outsourcing services for human capital management. IBM is expected to link Kenexa applications to its social business and analytics software to help businesses collect and analyze data for competitive advantage.

<u>Julie Machal-Fulks</u>, Scott & Scott, LLP partner, says "After IBM begins releasing updated versions of Kenexa's products, the licensing models and costs could change significantly costing end users millions of dollars."

"IBM 'blue washes' code by releasing updated code and changing its licensing metrics for products acquired from other publishers. Once customers upgrade to IBM's product, it is often too late to negotiate and avoid hefty licensing charges associated with new licensing terms," she said.

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