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Venable attorneys produce periodic alerts and newsletters covering a variety of topics and practice areas. For your convenience, we have assembled below a collection of the latest alerts and newsletters from December 2012. To view the full text of an article, please click on the title of the piece.

[Could Your Affiliate's Activities Subject Your Company to the New Iran Reporting Requirements?](#)

The Securities and Exchange Commission has issued guidance on the new requirement that all companies with stock traded on U.S. exchanges, whether U.S. or foreign, publicly disclose certain of their affiliates' activities involving Iran.

Authors: [Lindsay B. Meyer](#), [Jana del-Cerro](#)

[New York Attorney General Proposes New Rules Requiring Nonprofits Funding Political Communications to Disclose Donors](#)

On December 11, 2012, the New York Attorney General's Office proposed rules that would require nonprofit organizations doing business in New York to disclose their spending on a wide range of activities, including those unrelated to New York elections or candidates.

Authors: [Alexandra Megaris](#), [Lawrence H. Norton](#), [Ronald M. Jacobs](#)

[Record Civil False Claims Act Recoveries Point to Increased Whistleblower Cases in 2013](#)

In fiscal year 2012, the Justice Department recovered nearly \$5 billion in False Claims Act (FCA) settlements and judgments, a single-year high, and the second straight year DOJ set a new record.

Authors: [D. E. Wilson, Jr.](#), [Dismas Locaria](#), [James Y. Boland](#)

[Second Circuit Rules Off-Label Marketing is Protected by First Amendment](#)

On December 3, 2012, the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, in a 2-1 opinion, vacated the criminal conviction of a pharmaceutical sales representative for promoting off-label uses of a particular drug.

Authors: [David G. Adams](#), [Todd A. Harrison](#), [Claudia A. Lewis](#), [Ralph S. Tyler](#), [Matthew R. Rabinowitz](#)

[Understanding New Restrictions on Advertising GI Bill Benefits](#)

Lately it seems like every aspect of advertising and marketing targeting the military is ripe for generating positive public relations in the name of consumer protection.

Authors: [Andrew D. Price](#), [Jonathan L. Pompan](#)

Advertising News & Analysis

- **[December 6, 2012 Edition](#)**

Highlights include a discussion on FDA off-label marketing rules, a review of the recent FTC press release highlighting the 100th do not call enforcement action, a review of *NuWave v. Emson*, an article discussing different type of FTC warning letters, and a review of the "Fred Meyer Guides."

- **[December 13, 2012 Edition](#)**

Highlights include a review of the FTC Green Guides, a white paper discussing the far-reaching effects of the *U.S. v. Caronia* case, a discussion on new restrictions for advertising GI Bill benefits, and a review of a recent daylong FTC public workshop.

[IP Buzz - December 2012](#)

Highlights include a Supreme Court ruling in *Kirtsaeng v. John Wiley & Sons*, a discussion on an upcoming Supreme Court decision on human genes, an article on trademarks, and a review of a recent court decision on copyright infringement.



Upcoming Events

We would also like to highlight upcoming Venable events that you may be interested in attending. Please click on the event title for additional information.

[Exempt or Non-Exempt? The Ten Most Common Employee Classification Pitfalls Faced by Nonprofits](#)

January 8, 2013

12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. ET

Do you think your nonprofit's employees are not owed overtime because they are salaried? Think again. This common employment law myth and other typical employee classification errors often lead to costly individual and class action wage-and-hour lawsuits and governmental investigations and enforcement actions. Please join us for a discussion of the ten most common employee classification pitfalls that nonprofits face when they decide whether their employees are exempt from state and federal wage laws. Speakers: [Jeffrey S. Tenenbaum](#), [Daniel B. Chammas](#), [Nicholas M. Reiter](#)

[Opus Connect's New York Chapter January Event: Family Office Issues When Investing in Funds](#)

January 23, 2013

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. ET

This panel will feature representatives from family offices who will discuss the role of alternative asset funds in their asset allocations.

[The Changing Landscape for Employer Health Plans: What Employers and Plan Sponsors Need to Know](#)

January 23, 2013

12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. ET

Also available via webinar beginning at 12:30 p.m.

January 24, 2013

7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. ET

If you have employees, health care reform impacts your business. Whether your business is for-profit, nonprofit, large, or small, these new rules affect your bottom line. Please join us as we discuss these rules and share our insight on how to best leverage this changing landscape.

Speakers: [Charles J. Morton, Jr.](#), [Thora A. Johnson](#), [Gregory J. Ossi](#), [Christopher E. Condeluci](#), [Jennifer Spiegel Berman](#)

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Honors and Awards

[Maryland edition of Super Lawyers 2013 honors 43 Venable attorneys](#)

Super Lawyers recognized 43 Venable attorneys including 9 attorneys from our Corporate Group. The lawyers and areas for which they were recognized include: [Michael J. Baader](#), (Business/Corporate), [Constance H. Baker](#), (Healthcare), [Herbert D. Frerichs, Jr.](#) (Business/Corporate), [Sharon A. Kroupa](#) (Business/Corporate), [James J. Hanks, Jr.](#), (Mergers & Acquisitions) [Charles J. Morton, Jr.](#), (Mergers & Acquisitions), [Peter P. Parvis](#) (Healthcare), and [W. Bryan Rakes](#), (Mergers & Acquisitions; 2012 Maryland Rising Stars List), and [Thomas D. Washburne, Jr.](#) (Mergers & Acquisitions).

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Two Venable [Corporate Group](#) partners were ranked in the 2012 edition of *Chambers Global*.



Legal 500 recognized fourteen attorneys from the [Corporate Practice Group](#) in 2012. Two Corporate Group attorneys, [Charles Morton](#) (M&A: Middle-Market (Sub-\$500m)) and [William Russell](#) (Technology: Transactions) were also singled out as Leading Lawyers. Venable was also nationally recognized in M&A: Middle-Market (Sub-\$500m), Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs), Technology: Outsourcing, and Technology: Transactions.



Sixteen of Venable's [Corporate Group](#) attorneys were selected by their peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America® 2012*. Venable was top rated nationally in Mergers & Acquisitions Law and Technology Law, and received national second tier ranking in Corporate Law, Private Equity Law, and Venture Capital Law.



[James J. Hanks, Jr.](#), a Partner in Venable's [Corporate Practice Group](#), was named the *Best Lawyers* Baltimore Corporate Governance and Compliance Lawyer of the Year.



[Charles Morton](#), Co-Chair of Venable's [Corporate Practice Group](#), was named the Baltimore Venture Capital Lawyer of the Year.

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