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## Barnes & Thornburg LLP Commercial Litigation Update - February 2015

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Welcome to the February 2015 edition of the Commercial Litigation Update, an e-publication that features articles authored by the attorneys in Barnes & Thornburg LLP's Commercial Litigation practice group.

### Think a Confidentiality Agreement is Enough to Protect Your Proprietary Information? Think Again

By Timothy J. Abeska

A recent case, *nClosures, Inc. v Block and Co., Inc.*, clarifies the importance of taking the steps to protect confidential information. Read more about the case and why signing a confidentiality agreement doesn't protect you against misuse of proprietary information.

## The Psychology of E-Signatures: Implications for Jury Trials and Client Counseling

By Dennis P. Stolle, JD, PhD

Over the last decade, the prevalence of traditional signatures has steadily waned as the use of e-signatures has become increasingly common. Do e-signatures bring a degree of skepticism regarding their validity? Learn more about this trend and how it can affect you and your client.

# When is a Party Not a Party? Joint Litigants and Judicial Strikes in Minnesota

How many judicial strikes are your clients allowed under Rule 63.03? Learn more about the Minnesota Rule of Civil Procedure 63.03 that allows "any party or attorney" to file a notice to remove.

## A Negative Trend for Insureds: Federal Courts Apply Different Standards than State Courts when Determining Coverage

By James J. Leonard, Kara Cleary and Alex J. Barnstead

As federal and state courts diverge on insurance coverage issues, the choice of forum becomes extremely important to insurers and insureds alike. Read about *Wellons Inc. v. Lexington Insurance Company* to learn more about the federal court's decision and how the divide between the state and federal courts approach continues to widen.

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