



Memorandum

TO: Members of the Business Litigation Committee, Business Law Section
and interested members of the Bar

FROM: Marc J. Zucker, Chair, Business Litigation Committee
Lee Applebaum, Project Coordinator

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RE: **COMMERCE COURT OPINION PROJECT**

You are invited to participate in an ongoing project of the Business Litigation Committee, working with business law students from Temple's James E. Beasley School of Law to compile all Commerce Court Opinions in an encyclopedia/treatise format. The goal of the project, which is in its second year, is to create an online compilation and analysis of Commerce Court Opinions by subject matter, for use by members of the Bar and other interested parties.

Each pair of students, under the guidance of a lawyer-editor, collects, analyzes and summarizes the opinions relating to a given subject. The lawyer-editor then works with the students to finalize the product into a distinct "chapter." Most of the labor is performed by the students, but you, as a volunteer lawyer, would have the opportunity to have your own impact on this work and to act as a mentor to the students. Each individual chapter involves some synthesizing and categorizing of ideas, so there will be editorial comment without the labor-intensive effort that accompanies the drafting of a scholarly treatise. Ultimately the project should be of mutual benefit to you, the students and the bar.

Two chapters already have been posted on our committee's website, addressing arbitration issues and restrictive covenants. Those chapters can be found at <http://www.philadelphiabar.org/page/BLSLitigation?appNum=1&wosid=IntdBf0K453MEW4AmbRA00>, under the heading "Commerce Case Management Program Opinion Project."

If you are interested in being a part of this project, please contact Lee Applebaum at (215) 893-8702 or lapplebaum@finemanlawfirm.com.