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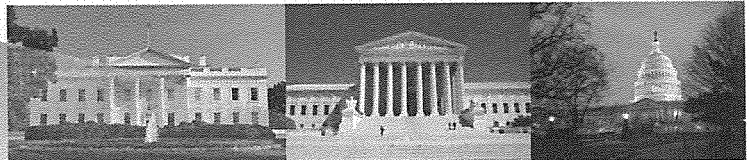
Emerging Legal Topics in The United States of America

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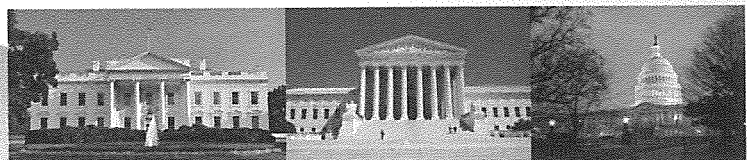


Background on US Legal Trends

- Federal and Legislation marked by bitter partisan fighting in US Congress and State Legislatures
- Legal matters are both highly political and very technical
- Examples:
 - Immigration
 - Healthcare
 - Funding of Court Systems
 - Budget



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Emerging Legal Topics in USA

- Enhanced state and federal regulations relating to cyber security
 - New SEC rules, and privacy as the US moves closer to the European models and precedents.
 - Upsurge in high profile Foreign Corrupt Practices prosecutions of US companies functioning.
- US law firm bankruptcies and litigation related to attorney withdrawal from defunct firms
- Litigation over rebuilding destroyed property from massive environmental impacts
- Declining number of law student applications

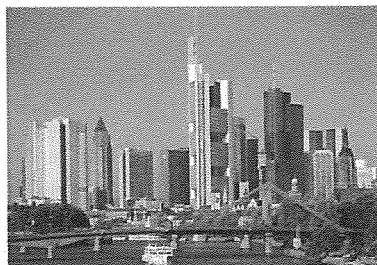


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Conclusion

- Questions
- Comments
- Discussion



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