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National Law Journal Quotes Locke Lord's Rusty Perdew on U.S. Supreme Court's Dismissal of Attorney-Client Privilege Case

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Rusty Perdew, Chicago Partner and member of Locke Lord's Board of Directors, was quoted by the National Law Journal on the U.S. Supreme Court's decision to dismiss rather than decide *In Re Grand Jury*, in which an unnamed law firm sought to prevent disclosure of communications with one of its clients that is subject to a criminal tax investigation. Perdew notes the court's order means that privilege review in trial courts will continue to be time intensive in certain cases that involve large volumes of dual-purpose communications.

"Leaving the test as is means that attorneys are going to have to spend a lot of time reviewing those documents, picking out the specific parts of their privilege and having arguments about individual sentences," Perdew explains. "I don't think that's a great use of attorney time or client money. I wish that the court could have provided a test that made it a little bit easier to determine privilege without such a detailed review."

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