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Troutman Pepper Locke Named Finalist for Three 2026 Legalweek Leaders in Tech Law Awards

Continued Recognition Underscores Firm's Commitment to Leading Innovation

NEW YORK – Troutman Pepper Locke was shortlisted for three [Legalweek Leaders in Tech Law Awards](#) in the following categories: E-Discovery Technology and Innovation, Best Use of Artificial Intelligence, and Innovations in Knowledge Management. Presented by *Legaltech News*, the awards honor individuals and organizations that have been at the forefront of legal innovation over the past year across three categories: law firms, legal departments, and technology providers.

E-Discovery Technology and Innovation

Troutman eMerge's MatterWise platform has been recognized for its highly customizable, end-to-end litigation management solution that brings order to large portfolios and discovery-intensive matters. It centralizes matter details, deadlines, events, key players, dockets, arguments, discovery data, and outcomes in one place, reducing risk and cognitive overload while integrating with clients' legal, IT, and operations systems to deliver a bird's-eye view of each matter through a single pane of glass.

Best Use of Artificial Intelligence

Quill, an AI-powered document intelligence platform from Troutman eMerge, has been listed as a finalist. It transforms how litigators draft, edit, and iterate on responsive pleadings, discovery materials, confidentiality stipulations, and more. Unlike traditional chatbot tools that generate static text in separate prompt windows, Quill provides a natively agentic drafting environment that supports the dynamic, iterative nature of litigation document preparation.

Innovations in Knowledge Management

Troutman Pepper Locke's Knowledge Management and Innovation team was nominated for creating Experience Connect, a generative AI tool launched after the 2025 merger that created a firm of more than 1,600 attorneys. Integrated into the firm's AI platform, Athena, it enables attorneys and business professionals to quickly find colleagues with specific experience, credentials, and relationships, including familiarity with particular judges, mediators, and arbitrators, without relying on firmwide "Pardon the Interruption" (PTI) emails. Drawing solely on the firm's internal experience database, the tool delivers precise, data-driven answers and has reduced PTI emails by 30 percent since its late September launch, with nearly 200 attorneys generating more than 1,000 conversations in the first month.

More than a dozen judges have selected finalists from among hundreds of strong submissions. These finalists will be honored, and the winners announced, at the [Legalweek Leaders in Tech Law Awards and Dinner](#) during the Legalweek 2026 conference in New York on Monday, March 9, at The Lighthouse at Chelsea Piers.

Troutman eMerge offers clients integrated legal, technology, and AI-enhanced services to address complex data-driven problems in litigation, transactional and compliance matters, government investigations, and information governance initiatives. eMerge's lawyers have received numerous accolades from leading industry authorities, including *Chambers USA* and *Legal 500*. For more information, visit troutmanemerge.com.

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