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New Team Member

TROUTMAN PEPPER BOLSTERS REGULATORY INVESTIGATIONS, STRATEGY + ENFORCEMENT PRACTICE GROUP WITH ACCOMPLISHED PARTNER FOCUSING ON CANNABIS LAW

[Jean Gonnell](#), a regulatory attorney with a significant focus cannabis and tobacco law, has joined Troutman Pepper's Regulatory Investigations, Strategy + Enforcement (RISE) practice group. Resident in the firm's Charlotte office, Gonnell joins from her private practice, Gonnell Law.

Gonnell began her legal career in Colorado, where she was at the forefront of cannabis legislation before the larger movement to legalize the drug. Over the course of her career, she has represented more than 100 clients in the cannabis industry, including approximately 15% of all licensed cannabis businesses in Colorado. With a deep commitment to her clients and dedication to the flourishing cannabis field, she continues to expand her practice and make a positive impact in the evolving landscape of cannabis law.

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State AG Updates

MISSISSIPPI AG SUES TWO COMPANIES FOR PLACING NEARLY 1,000 ILLEGAL ROBOCALLS TO MISSISSIPPI RESIDENTS

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As a result of legislation passed this month, Mississippi Attorney General Lynn Fitch filed lawsuits against two companies, The Depository Trust and Clearing Corporation and NaturaLawn of America, for allegedly violating the Mississippi Telephone Solicitation Act. The lawsuits allege that these companies made nearly 1,000 unauthorized calls to Mississippians on the state's Do Not Call Registry.

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TENNESSEE AG SUES MORE THAN 20 PFAS MANUFACTURERS

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Tennessee AG Jonathan Skrmetti is suing more than 20 per- and polyfluoroalkyl substance (PFAS) manufacturers, including 3M and DuPont, seeking injunctive and monetary relief under the state's public nuisance and uniform fraudulent transfer laws.

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NORTH DAKOTA SETTLES WITH THREE GAMING COMPANIES ACCUSED OF EXPLOITING NONPROFIT

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On July 6, North Dakota Attorney General Drew Wrigley announced a settlement of an administrative complaint, accusing Western Distributing Company and affiliate companies Plains Gaming Distributing Inc. and Midwest Gaming Distributing Inc. of violating the state's gambling laws and regulations by facilitating excessive rent payments and attempting to influence bars' charitable gambling activities through the Wall of Honor veterans nonprofit.

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Stephanie Kozol, Senior Government Relations Manager – State Attorneys General, also contributed to this newsletter.

Our Cannabis Practice provides advice on issues related to applicable federal and state law. Marijuana remains an illegal controlled substance under federal law.

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