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Media Summary: David S. Weinstein and Ken Yeadon Provide Analysis of Former National Security Adviser Michael Flynn's Guilty Plea

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On Friday, December 1, 2017, former National Security Adviser and retired three-star Army lieutenant general Michael Flynn pled guilty to lying to the FBI about conversations with then-Russian ambassador Sergey Kislyak during the presidential transition. The full implications of Flynn's plea remain to be seen, but it is clear that he is now cooperating with the Special Counsel's Office. Hinshaw's David S. Weinstein and Ken Yeadon, both former federal prosecutors, provided analysis regarding the news to a number of media and television outlets. A summary of their commentary follows.

Law360: Flynn's Plea Deal May Be the Birth of A Star Witness

Reporter Ed Beeson analyzed the potential implications of Flynn's plea deal. "There's a lot of unknowns here," said Ken Yeadon. "This iceberg has a lot more that we can't see." Yeadon also commented on Flynn's plea deal and speculated that he may have already provided a "detailed factual statement about what he is going to testify to, if this goes to trial" in order to get the deal.

Read the Law360 article "Flynn's Plea Deal May Be the Birth of A Star Witness" (subscription required)

Boston Herald: Michael Flynn flips, admits lies

Bob McGovern of the *Boston Herald* discussed what Flynn's admission does – and does not – mean in terms of "proving collusion between the Trump team and the Russians." David S. Weinstein weighed-in on the plea agreement itself, noting that Flynn was likely offered a deal because he has a "treasure trove of information" needed by Mueller. "[Special Counsel Robert Mueller] wouldn't have taken a number of potential charges off the table if Flynn doesn't have valuable information," Weinstein said.

Read the Boston Herald article "Michael Flynn flips, admits lies,"

David S. Weinstein was also featured on WWL Radio and WFOR TV Miami.

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