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Jane Schlicht Quoted in Article on Enactment of Defend Trade Secrets Act

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Jane C. Schlicht, a Milwaukee-based [Intellectual Property Practice](#) partner in at Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP, was quoted in the article "US Trade Secrets Bill Signed Into Law" published by *World Intellectual Property Review* on May 12, 2016.

The article discusses the Defend Trade Secrets Act (DTSA), which President Obama signed into law on May 11, 2016. As stated in the article, "Under the act, owners of trade secrets will be able to secure federal relief for the misappropriation of their knowledge as opposed to going through individual state courts."

Says Ms. Schlicht in the article, "the law should provide 'much needed relief' but . . . employers should be aware that the act also includes 'whistleblower protections.'" She adds, "Employers must notify employees in any contract that is related to trade secrets or confidential information of their right to provide confidential information to the government if illegal activity is suspected."

To read the full article "[US Trade Secrets Bill Signed Into Law](#)" please visit the *World Intellectual Property Review* website. Please note that a subscription may be required.

Ms. Schlicht focuses her practice in complex business and intellectual property litigation and contracts that are related to these areas. She has substantial experience in the litigation of disputes at both the state and federal levels throughout the country. Ms. Schlicht counsels and advises her clients on matters involving patents, trademarks and copyright infringement, as well as disputes involving restrictive covenants and trade secrets. She also handles trademark and copyright registrations and Trademark Trial & Appeal Board (TTAB) proceedings, and counsels her clients in business contracts and transactions.

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