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# Encore! One Last Look at 2023's Litigators of the Week

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**W**e're fixing to call it quits for 2023 here at The Litigation Daily. We have one last Litigator of the Week for the year slated to run tomorrow before we turn the lights out on the newsletter for the week between Christmas and New Year's. But we're going to keep up our holiday-time tradition of toasting all the year's weekly winners before we go dark.

According to our handy tracking spreadsheet, almost 50 law firms and non-profit organizations grabbed a piece of the LOTW pie this year.

Three firms—King & Spalding, Kirkland & Ellis and **Latham & Watkins**—tied for the second most wins with four, a heckuva haul for anybody.

Here's one last look at their work along with all the rest of our 2023 winners (again, sans tomorrow's).

### Beating Back an Antitrust Challenge for Swimming's International Governing Body

Latham partners **Chris Yates** and **Aaron Chiu** won summary judgment for the organization formerly known as Fédération Internationale de Natation, or FINA, on claims it conspired with national federations to boycott an upstart professional swimming league.

### In Delaware Chancery Trial, Defending Oracle's \$9.3B NetSuite Deal

**Peter Wald, Blair Connelly** and their team at Latham defended Oracle founder Larry Ellison and co-CEO



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Safra Catz from shareholder derivative claims stemming from Ellison's position as a major stakeholder at both companies.

### What Trade Secrets? Fending Off \$260M Claim From Alcoa for UAC at Trial

**Tony Sammi, Rachel Blitzer** and their team at Latham, with co-counsel from their former colleagues at Skadden, defended Universal Alloy Corp. from accusations it misappropriated trade secrets from Alcoa to unfairly compete for work making parts for Boeing.

### In a Quarter Century-Old Piece of Environmental Litigation, a Defense Verdict for Dow and PPG

Latham's **Mary Rose Alexander** and **Robert Collins** took the lead for Dow and Jason Levin of Alston & Bird represented PPG in a six-week trial in San Francisco Superior Court that resulted in no damages.