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Barnes & Thornburg added **John A. Cullis** and **Lawrence "Lee" E. James Jr.** as partners and **Robert E. Browne** as of counsel to its intellectual property department in Chicago.

Cullis' practice is centered on intellectual property litigation, counseling and procurement. James handles litigation in federal courts and before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Browne assists clients in protecting and enforcing their IP and defending their rights. All three came from Reed Smith LLP.

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Benesch Friedlander Coplan & Aronoff LLP partner **Juan Morado Jr.** was appointed by Chicago Mayor **Lori E. Lightfoot** to serve as a director on the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority Board, the government body that oversees Navy Pier and McCormick Place. Morado began his four-year term immediately.

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Riley Safer Holmes & Cancila partner **Valarie Hays** will co-present a webinar, "A Diverse Perspective on Trial Law: Tips and Trends on Developing the Next Generation of First Chair Trial Attorneys" for The Harvard Law Society of Illinois on Tuesday, Nov. 10 at noon. To RSVP, email info@chicago.hlsa.org.