

## Headline News

### Andrews & Kurth Adds New Associates

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**HOUSTON** -- Andrews & Kurth L.L.P. has further expanded its business transactions, corporate and securities and tax practices with additions to its Houston, Dallas and New York offices.

Laura K. Devitt has joined the firm's tax practice in Houston as an associate where she will focus her practice on estate and gift tax planning, probate administration and fiduciary litigation. She is a graduate of Pepperdine University, received a diploma in International Politics from the London School of Economics and received her J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law. Before joining Andrews & Kurth, she was an associate with Baker & Botts.

John McMullan has joined the firm's business transactions practice in Houston as an associate where his practice will focus on project finance, banking and electrical power. He is a graduate of The University of Texas and received his J.D. from Harvard Law School.

Jong S. Kim has joined the firm's business transaction practice in the Dallas office as an associate where her practice will focus on commercial leasing and real estate development matters and proposals. Kim is also a certified mediator. She is a graduate of Vassar College and received her J.D. from The University of Texas School of Law.

Derek Jose Anchondo has joined the firm's corporate and securities practice in the New York office where his practice will focus on commercial transactions, which include mergers and acquisitions; proxy contests and solicitations; and corporate and securities transactions. He is a graduate of Trinity University and received his J.D. from the University of Houston Law Center.

Andrews & Kurth L.L.P. was founded in Houston in 1902 and today has 250 lawyers in offices in Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, London, New York, The Woodlands and Washington D.C. The firm's practice areas include bankruptcy, business transactions, energy, environmental, corporate and securities, labor and employment, litigation and tax law for U.S. and international clients.