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Dellinger's Analysis of Health Care Law Continues to Feature Prominently in Coverage

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O'Melveny & Myers LLP Appellate partner and former acting US Solicitor General Walter Dellinger continues to feature prominently in media coverage surrounding the US Supreme Court's review of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. Dellinger filed a brief on behalf of the Senate and House Democratic leadership defending the health care law in the Supreme Court.

Dellinger's article "Five myths about the health-care law" was published by *The Washington Post* on March 23, 2012. *Politico*, *The New York Times*, the Associated Press, *ABA Journal*, and *The National Journal* also included Dellinger's commentary in their respective March 26, 2012, coverage.

Dellinger also talked about the Supreme Court proceedings in *PBS NewsHour*, *TPMDC*, *Bloomberg Businessweek*, *Wusa9.com*, and *MedPage Today* in their March 27, 2012, coverage.

The March 27, 2012, NPR Blog, quoted Dellinger on the potential implications of future Congressional laws if the individual healthcare mandate is found constitutional. "The issue is whether the power to regulate commerce includes the power to require commerce. And the government's position is that you can require commerce on the part of people who are going to be inevitably engaged in the commerce for health care. When they do that they transfer the cost to others and it undermines the regulatory

regime. That to me is a perfectly good limiting principle."
Dellinger has argued more than 20 cases in the Supreme Court. He resides in O'Melveny's Washington, DC office.

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