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CENTURY CITY—July 14, 2020—Twelve O'Melveny partners have been named to *Variety*'s prestigious "2020 Legal Impact Report."

The annual special report spotlights top attorneys in the entertainment business, as identified by *Variety*'s writers and editors. This year's publication featured eight members of O'Melveny's [Entertainment Litigation Team](#) and four members of O'Melveny's [Entertainment & Media Transactions Team](#).

Led by partner and Trial Practice Committee Chair [Daniel Petrocelli](#), the Entertainment Litigation Team included partners [Drew Breuder](#), [Leah Godesky](#), [Matt Kline](#), [Molly Lens](#), [Amy Lucas](#), [David Marroso](#), and [Cassandra Seto](#). *Variety* recognized the Team's work on several headline-making matters, including:

- securing a key win for Twentieth Century Fox in executive poaching litigation against Netflix;
- achieving a definitive victory for boxing champ Manny Pacquiao in a wave of class action lawsuits after a four-and-a-half year legal effort;
- setting aside a jury verdict and judgment of US\$70.6 million against NBCUniversal and winning a motion for a new trial in a profit participation case concerning the Columbo television series;
- obtaining dismissal for Warner Bros. in litigation connected to the movie *War Dogs*;
- obtaining dismissals for Disney in two separate copyright claims connected to the film *Zootopia*; and
- representing Global Music Rights in advocating artists' rights in the music industry and defending pop star Kesha in ongoing litigation with her record producer.

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Led by partner and Entertainment, Sports & Media Chair [Bruce Tobey](#), the Entertainment & Media Transactions Team included Century City managing partner [Amy Siegel](#) and partners [Sean Monroe](#) and [Silvia Vannini](#). *Variety* noted the Team's work on several industry-shaping deals, including:

- representing newly recombined ViacomCBS in its US\$375 million investment in MIRAMAX;
- advising Library Pictures International in connection with an investment by Legendary;
- guiding Univision in its cross-border strategic alliance with Mexico's Grupo Televisa to launch a new multi-platform sports network; and
- representing BRON in several financing deals to expand the company's growing market cap.

O'Melveny has been synonymous with entertainment law since Hollywood's Golden Age in the 1930s. For decades, O'Melveny's entertainment lawyers have helped major players in film, television and cable, production and distribution, the internet, video games, music, finance, investment, and dozens of household-name performers successfully tackle groundbreaking deals and high-profile disputes.

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