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The Federal Circuit clarifies when it may hear an interlocutory appeal from a decision on a motion to stay pending CBM review

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The Federal Circuit recently held that it lacks jurisdiction over an interlocutory appeal from a decision on a motion to stay pending a covered business method review until the Patent Trial and Appeal Board institutes the review. Thus, a party seeking to challenge a court's decision on a motion to stay may not appeal until after institution of the review.

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TTAB Strategy after *B&B Hardware*

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In the wake of the Supreme Court's decision in *B&B Hardware v. Hargis Industries*, trademark practitioners need to assess how issue preclusion will factor into litigation strategy. In *B&B Hardware*, the Supreme Court ruled that "a court should give preclusive effect to TTAB decisions if the ordinary elements of issue preclusion are met." While it may be some time before we see court decisions relying upon or distinguishing this case, it is never too early to consider how *B&B Hardware* can shape strategy.

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Essential Steps to Consider When Your Company Becomes the Target of a Phishing Scam

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"Phishing" is a term used generally to describe various electronic attempts by a fraudulent actor to masquerade as a legitimate entity in order to acquire sensitive information from an individual, such as a user name, password, credit card number, or social security number. While phishing scams often target individuals, companies can also suffer. Scammers use popular trademarks or trade names to attract individuals and then create a false online identity. This misuse of a trademark or trade name can damage a company's valuable goodwill, among other things. Phishing scams can also harm customer or employee relationships (depending on the nature of the victim) and cause loss of business.

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