

New Blog Focuses on Texas Restaurant Law

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Gray Reed & McGraw is pleased to announce the addition of Texas Restaurant Law to its blogging network. Matthew Sanderson and Ralph Perry-Miller, attorneys with Gray Reed & McGraw, started the blog to help people manage the legal requirements to develop and operate restaurants and clubs in Texas.

"TexasRestaurantLaw.com serves the needs of the Texas restaurant industry," said Perry-Miller. "It provides up-to-date information on Texas laws as they relate to restaurants and bars as well as owners, managers, supervisors, and others serving the restaurant industry. We designed the website to be entertaining, as well as informative. For instance, a recent post was "The Office" Tells Us How NOT to Manage A Restaurant."

According to Sanderson, the blog provides a wealth of information to the restaurant industry.

"We developed TexasRestaurantLaw.com as a service to people in the restaurant and bar industry," Sanderson said. "It is a place to find answers to legal questions without having to go to a lawyer or to be charged. Of course, detailed legal questions should be directed to professional legal practitioners, but we built the site so that some of the ordinary, day-to-day legal questions could be addressed professionally and without a fee."

Some recent blog headlines include:

- How Effective Are Calorie Counting Laws?
- How Buying A Restaurant is Like Coyote Ugly
- 5 Reasons You Think You Don't Need a Lawyer to Buy a Restaurant
- Is a Celebrity Spokesperson the Right Fit for Your Restaurant?
- · Could Your Salary Get Slashed by the Compensation Czar?
- · Restaurant Industry's Outlook Finally Improving

"We hope to make TexasRestaurantLaw.com the premier legal site for both legal practitioners serving restaurants and those in the restaurant industry," Sanderson said. "Like all industries, the restaurant industry needs advocates who know their business, and it



needs a trusted source of information for legal questions. The restaurant industry can find both on TexasRestaurantLaw.com."

For over twenty years Perry-Miller has successfully represented clients involved in business and real estate disputes and transactions. Ralph's extensive trial and litigation experience includes trying cases to judgment or verdict and arguing appeals in over a hundred cases. He is particularly proud of a recent case he argued before the Supreme Court of Texas resulting in an opinion Creditwatch v. Jackson, 197 S.W.3d 814 (Tex. 2005) which clarified the law favorably for employers in sexual harassment cases.

Sanderson is a transactional attorney, focused on complex transactions in real estate, mergers and acquisitions of private companies, and intellectual property contracts. His client base spans numerous industries, both domestically and internationally, and the most served industries include technology, metal recycling, restaurant and real estate.

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