



## GRIST: 9th Circuit Decision Spotlights Importance of Accurate, Complete Pension Plan Records

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Ivins' attorney Robin Solomon co-authored a Mercer GRIST Report on the recent 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit burden-shifting case, *Barton v. ADT*. In the wake of this court ruling, pension plan sponsors may face increased liability for benefit claims in court if they can't track former employees' service history with precision or identify the covered employers in each plan.