

### Partner David Halberstadter Comments on Legal Fair Use in Law360

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David Halberstadter, a partner in the Entertainment and Media practice, spoke with Law360 regarding a preemptive lawsuit concerning 1970s sitcom *Three's Company*. Claiming threats of legal action from current *Three's Company* owner DLT Entertainment Ltd., the playwright of *3C*—who admits the off-Broadway show employs elements of the television series—asked a New York federal court for declaratory judgment that the play is a critical commentary on the show, not a substitute for or copy of it. David notes that fair use is fact-based, and a court might consider the play a competitor, not just a critique. ([“Playwright Says \*Three's Company\* Satire Is Fair Use,”](#) January 31, 2014)

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