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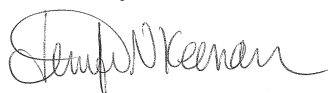
Welcome to the February edition of the Alston & Bird *CPSC Recall Snapshot*.

This month, CPSC Chairman Elliot Kaye announced that the CPSC will not follow President Trump's Executive Order requiring two regulations be cut for each new rule passed by government agencies. Chairman Kaye explained that the Executive Order does not cover independent agencies such as the CPSC. Further, while the CPSC typically seeks to further the goals of the President's Executive Orders, it does so only when they advance public policy considerations and do not conflict with the CPSC's public health and safety mission. Chairman Kaye indicated this particular Executive Order "clearly fails" to meet those considerations. Specifically, Chairman Kaye explained that "to voluntarily follow [the Executive Order] would lead to poor public policy decisions by ignoring the many necessary benefits provided by consumer protections that save lives and protect all of America's families. It would also be counter to our safety mission, as it would cruelly and unfairly have us pit vulnerable populations against each other when it comes to making safety decisions."

It will be interesting to see if Chairman Kaye, who was appointed by a Democrat, will follow tradition and resign before his term expires in October 2020 so that the Republican President can choose a chair from his own party.

Click [here](#) to subscribe to the *Snapshot*. For additional information or questions about CPSC issues, please email me at: jenifer.keenan@alston.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jenifer Keenan". The signature is fluid and cursive.

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Voluntary Recalls Announced by the CPSC in January 2017

NUMBER OF RECALLS BY PRODUCT CATEGORY

Furniture – 8

Child/Infant – 4

Housewares – 3

Vehicles – 3

Electronics – 2

Sporting Goods – 2

Miscellaneous – 1

Yard Equipment – 1

PRODUCT	PRODUCT CATEGORY	ALLEGED HAZARD	REPORTED INJURIES	NUMBER OF PRODUCTS
Chest of Drawers Press Release	Furniture	Tip-Over/Entrapment Hazard	0	3,500 U.S. 250 Can. 5 Mex.
Chest of Drawers Press Release	Furniture	Tip-Over/Entrapment Hazard	0	240
Bar Chair Press Release	Furniture	Fall Hazard	10	315,000 U.S. 2,100 Can.
Swivel Patio Chair Press Release	Furniture	Fall Hazard	0	1,500
Swivel Patio Chair Press Release	Furniture	Fall Hazard	25	2 million U.S. 30,000 Can. 14,000 Mex.
Dresser Press Release	Furniture	Tip-Over/Entrapment Hazard	0	1,000
Beach Chair Press Release	Furniture	Fall/Amputation Hazard	10 (3 U.S.)	33,400
Dresser Press Release	Furniture	Tip-Over/Entrapment Hazard	0	200
Electric Scooter Press Release	Child/Infant	Fall Hazard	0	8,900
Mobile Press Release	Child/Infant	Choking Hazard	0	1,000
Toy Shovel Press Release	Child/Infant	Ingestion Hazard	0	70
Hoodie Sweatshirt Press Release	Child/Infant	Choking Hazard	0	15,000

PRODUCT	PRODUCT CATEGORY	ALLEGED HAZARD	REPORTED INJURIES	NUMBER OF PRODUCTS
Christmas Tree Press Release	Housewares	Fire Hazard	0	600
Tumbler Press Release	Housewares	Laceration/Burn Hazard	0	8,300
Lamp Press Release	Housewares	Shock/Fire Hazard	0	80,000
Modular Light Kit Press Release	Housewares	Shock/Fire Hazard	0	1,500
Snowmobile Press Release	Vehicles	Crash/Fire Hazard	0	400
Off-Road Vehicle Press Release	Vehicles	Injury Hazard	0	780
Snowmobile Press Release	Vehicles	Fire Hazard	0	20,700
Off-Road Utility Vehicle Press Release	Vehicles	Injury/Death Hazard	2	1,100
Notebook Computer Battery Press Release	Electronics	Fire/Burn Hazard	0	101,000 U.S. 3,000 Can. 4,000 Mex.
Laptop Computer Battery Press Release	Electronics	Fire/Burn Hazard	0	83,000 U.S. 10,000 Can. 5,000 Mex.
Rescue Rope & Throwline Press Release	Sporting Goods	Fall/Injury Hazard	0	95
Bicycle & Wheel Set Press Release	Sporting Goods	Fall Hazard	1	1,100 U.S. 200 Can.
Electric Skateboard Press Release	Miscellaneous	Fire Hazard	0	3,200 U.S. 100 Can.
Field/Brush Mower Press Release	Yard Equipment	Fire/Burn Hazard	1	830

The CPSC did not announce any civil penalties in January.

Alston & Bird helps companies navigate the CPSC's complex regulations—from testing, to labeling, to recalls—and everything in between. We also help companies monitor and respond to complaints submitted to the CPSC's consumer complaint database, www.SaferProducts.gov. For additional information or questions about recalls, the SaferProducts.gov database or other CPSC issues, please email jenifer.keenan@alston.com or visit the firm's website at www.alston.com.

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