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RACHELLE SANCHEZ AND ELIZABETH HARRISON PROVIDE TIPS FOR EFFECTIVE AI PROMPTS IN LAW.COM LITIGATION DAILY ARTICLE

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Lightfoot, Franklin & White partner **Rachelle Sanchez** and associate **Elizabeth Harrison** published a Law.com **Litigation Daily article** highlighting why prompt design is critical when using AI models for litigation support.

In their article, “Garbage In, Garbage Out: Practical Tips for Effective AI Prompting in Litigation,” Sanchez and Harrison provide an overview of what to ask AI models, how to structure prompts effectively and why prompt quality directly impacts reliability.

To reduce the risk of hallucinations or responses that omit critical information, Sanchez and Harrison suggest providing concise inputs with clear instructions placed at the beginning or end of a prompt so key information doesn’t get lost. Limiting context to what is truly necessary and using a stepwise approach can further reduce the risk of a model misidentifying what matters most and avoid flawed outputs.

They also highlight the importance of building verification into the prompt by asking the model to provide citations to accepted sources every assertion — and note attorneys must vet everything.

“AI is undeniably in our future. Luckily for us, litigators are masters of language and effective communication, which makes us especially well-suited to effective AI prompting,” Sanchez and Harrison write. “As models improve, your clarity, constraints and verification discipline will still determine the reliability of the output.

Sanchez defends leading consumer products companies, automakers, original equipment manufacturers, retailers and others against product liability claims and other high-stakes litigation. She also defends doctors, nurses, surgeons and other health care professionals against medical malpractice claims.

Harrison has a deep background in legal research, having graduated *cum laude* from Tulane University Law School, where she was a Dean’s Medal Recipient and earned top honors for her advanced legal research course. During law school, Liz served as a Notes and Comments Editor of the *Tulane Law Review* and a senior fellow to the Legal Research and Writing Program.