30th April 2007

Sir,

Tort and Tortuosity

You report that Bank of America's lawyers are hinting that they may launch "tortuous interference claims" in the ABN Amro bidding battle (Bl 30th April).

For a moment I thought that this displayed an engaging frankness by the lawyers about the labyrinthine toils of litigation. But on the next page you report that General Motors has a claim pending against R&SA for "alleged tortuous interference", and I am driven to the disappointing conclusion that all you had in mind in both cases was a reference to no doubt expeditious claims for tortious interference with contractual relations.

Perhaps auto-correct has struck again.

Yours faithfully,

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