A Look Back at 2015

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In this blog we would like to take a look back at 2015. A lot happened this year. I will point out some of the highlights of our work at House of Brick during 2015, and look ahead to what we see coming in 2016. Below is a collection of links to blogs, as well as some thoughts on technology and trends that we are seeing in the industry. **Read More**

Mars vs. Oracle

By Dave Welch (@OraVBCA), CTO and Chief Evangelist

House of Brick has become the industry's lightning rod on the topic of licensing Oracle technology running on VMware. As a compliment to our contract instruction over the years, we have pointed out the complete lack in case law history of any legal action by Oracle against customers relative to this topic. While that is still true, I am pleased to inform you of Mars Incorporated, vs. Oracle Corporation, et al. This action was filed on October 23, 2015 in the Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco [1].
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Creating a VMware Workstation for Oracle Database Installation

by Andy Kerber (@dbakerber), Senior Consultant

In this article we are going to cover how to create a VMware workstation to be used to install the Oracle database software. We are going to use VMware workstation 12, and Oracle Enterprise Linux 6.7. Please note that VMware workstation is absolutely not suitable for true business applications. While it can be very useful for learning Oracle methods and techniques, it is absolutely not suitable as an enterprise (or even small business) platform for Oracle. **Read More**

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