

# **Bankruptcy Settlement Could Pay Coal Workers \$17.3 Million**

NewsSome 1,700 employees of a bankrupt coal mining company would get up to \$17.3 million in back pay under a proposed class-action settlement.

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# **Daimler to Pay \$2.2 Billion in Diesel Emissions Cheating Settlements**

NewsDaimler AG will pay \$2.2 billion to resolve a U.S. government diesel emissions cheating investigation and claims from 250,000 U.S. vehicle owners, court documents show.

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# **Largest-Ever Group of Hicks Thomas Attorneys Named to 2021 Best Lawyers in America**

# List

NewsAffirming a culture of high-end legal work, coupled with a commitment to client responsiveness and service, Hicks Thomas LLP is pleased to announce that 12 of its attorneys have earned recognition in the 27th edition of The Best Lawyers in America, one of the nation's most respected peer-review attorney guides.

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## **Buchalter Expands Its Tax and Estate Planning Practices with the Addition of Two New Shareholders in Los Angeles and San Diego**

NewsBuchalter is pleased to announce the welcome additions of Joseph K. Fletcher III and Laura Lamb Nichols to its Tax & Estate Planning and Corporate Law Practice Groups.

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## **Best Lawyers in America Honors Sargent Law Founder**

# David Sargent

NewsSargent recognized by national peer-review guide for defending clients in personal injury cases.

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## Duane Morris Names Christopher M. Winter Managing Partner of Wilmington Office

NewsDuane Morris LLP has appointed Christopher M. Winter managing partner of the firm's Wilmington office.

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## Legal Experts are Made at Drexel

### *Insight*

Drexel University's online LLM programs from the Thomas R. Kline School of Law help you gain the expertise you need to establish yourself as a specialist in either cybersecurity and data privacy or health care and pharmaceutical compliance.

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# **Climate Cases Put Big Oil's Behemoth Trade Group in Bull's-Eye**

InsightsState and local governments taking Big Oil to court over climate change have a new target: the American Petroleum Institute—an approach that could pay off for plaintiffs and create headaches for the industry's biggest trade group, lawyers say.

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# **EPA General Counsel Announces Departure from Agency**

NewsThe EPA's top lawyer, Matthew Z. Leopold, is leaving the agency after a nearly three-year stint and a mixed record in the courtroom.

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# **Vortic Watch Company Wins Landmark Lawsuit Against**

# Swatch Group Brand, Hamilton

NewsVortic Watch Company announces victory in a trademark case filed against the company by Hamilton Watch International, a Swatch Group brand. In a decision made by the U.S. Federal Court on September 11, 2020, the judge ruled in favor of Vortic on all counts.

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## How to Minimize Judicial Review of ERISA Fiduciary Decisions

InsightsOne of the enduring paradoxes of ERISA litigation is the judicial standard of review of fiduciary decisions.

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## No-Third-Party-Beneficiary Clauses and the “Ever-Evolving Contractual Arms Race”

InsightsA recent Delaware decision suggests that we cannot be reminded too often of the importance of carefully modifying the standard no-third-party-beneficiary clause so that it ... does not do more harm than good.

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# **What Is the Worst Type of Online Privacy Policy ... and Why Does it Matter?**

InsightsEven if the title is click-bait, this is not a trick question. There is one type of online privacy policy that is objectively worse than all of the others.

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# **Biglaw Firm Switches From Strict Lockstep Compensation for Partners to Modified System**

NewsDavis Polk & Wardwell is changing to a more flexible compensation system, allowing it to pay more money to retain and attract rainmaking partners.

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**Justices      Suspend      Lawyer**

# Following Multiple Alcohol Arrests

NewsA mayor's son and lawyer who has been arrested five times for alcohol-related incidents has been suspended from the Indiana bar for at least one year.

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# Phil Wells Joins Bradley as Real Estate Senior Attorney in Charlotte

NewsPhil Wells has joined the Charlotte, North Carolina, office of Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP as a senior attorney in the Real Estate Practice Group.

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# Hogan Lovells Adds Leading Capital Markets Partner in New York

NewsInternational law firm Hogan Lovells has added Richard Aftanas to its corporate practice in New York, as a member of the firm's global Capital Markets leadership team.

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# **Greensfelder Officers Kara Cenar, Beata Krakus and Susan Meyer Named to Crain's Chicago's 2020 Notable Women in Law**

NewsGreensfelder, Hemker & Gale, P.C., Officers Kara Cenar, Beata Krakus, and Susan Meyer have been selected for the 2020 edition of Crain's Chicago Business' "Notable Women in Law."

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# **Woman Arrested at Boston Airport, Suspected of Running Unlawful Law Practice in Uptown Dallas**

NewsMassachusetts state police detained Camilia Shene Johnson at Logan International Airport on Sept. 5 as she tried to board a flight to Istanbul, Turkey.

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# Regions' Mehlman Joins Bank of the West

NewsHope Mehlman has started work as general counsel and corporate secretary at Bank of the West.