New Survey Results: Examining the State of E-Discovery 2018

Insight

"The State of E-Discovery 2018" covers the results of an Exterro survey of industry trends, practices and challenges and is available for downloading at no charge.

Ask and You Shall (Not?) Receive: Retained Acreage Clauses and the Texas Supreme Court

News

Two Texas Supreme Court decisions confirm that retained acreage clauses that vary in language from one instrument to another will likely vary in effect, according to Gray Reed & McGraw's Energy & the Law blog.

Encountering Common Technology Contracts

Insight

Corporate counsel often hire external technology lawyers to

review, draft, or negotiate technology contracts such as software licensing agreements because of their ability to identify software licensing issues, resolve complex licensing models, and compare the subject deal to the many other unique technology contract structures to solve problems, according to a blog post by Kirkpatrick Law.

Restrictive Covenants in Non-Compete Agreements: Broader is Not Better

Insight

The opinion demonstrates why it is so important to limit the activities prohibited by a restrictive covenant, as well as the geographic scope and duration, to what is reasonably needed to protect the employer, according to Roetzel & Andress.

The Not-So-Powerful Non-Disclosure Agreement

Insight

There are some methods other than using NDAs to protect one's business or personal information, advises Marwa Elzankaly of McManis Faulkner.

Fifth Circuit Allows Non-Signatories to Enforce Arbitration Agreement

News

The Fifth Circuit has affirmed an order compelling arbitration, despite the fact that the parties seeking to compel arbitration were not signatories to the relevant arbitration agreement, according to Carlton Fields.

Scott Meyers Appointed Managing Partner of Akerman LLP

News

Akerman LLP announced Scott A. Meyers has been named managing partner.

SEC Litigator Jessica Matelis

Rejoins Foley in Washington, D.C.

News

Jessica Matelis, who most recently served as a senior counsel in the Division of Enforcement at the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, is joining Foley & Lardner LLP's Washington, D.C. office.

The American Law Institute Inducts Dykema's Nicholas Wittner as a Life Member

News

Nicholas Wittner, Of Counsel at Dykema, was inducted as a Life Member of the American Law Institute (ALI).

Hogan Lovells adds David McClune as Chief Marketing Officer

News

Law firm Hogan Lovells has appointed David McClune, formerly of Shearman & Sterling, as its chief marketing officer.

Milbank Takes Associate Starting Salaries to New Level

News

The raise will bring starting salaries for associates to $190,000, up from the current $180,000, reports Bloomberg Law,

Biglaw Firm Gets Benchslapped Over ‘Astonishing’ Fee Request

News

Massachusetts Superior Court Judge Mitchell H. Kaplan criticized Latham for charging such a high fee “to file a brief that a first-year law student could write.”

Sheppard Mullin Conflict

Waiver Case Puts Big Fee at Stake

News

The question for this case of first impression is whether a law firm needs to tell a sophisticated client about a specific conflict when it arises, or whether the firm can instead rely a boilerplate advance conflict waiver in the client's engagement agreement, reports Bloomberg Law.

Blockbuster Term: Justices Could Determine Limits of Courts' Ability to Check Trump Administration

News

The next term for the U.S. Supreme Court could bring some blockbuster rulings that will signal to lower courts how they should treat the unorthodox President Trump, predicts *The Washington Times*.

Subcontractors Sue Valero

Over Explosion at Texas City Refinery

News

The workers are seeking damages based on claims that they suffered orthopedic injuries and hearing loss from the accident and are dealing with post-traumatic stress disorder, reports the *San Antonio Business Journal*.

North Texas Spa Sued Over Drowning Death in Sensory Deprivation Tank

News

A Texas plaintiff has filed a wrongful death lawsuit against The Float Spot, alleging the company's negligence led to the drowning death of a 71-year-old woman in one of its aquatic sensory deprivation tanks.

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15 Tips to Maximize Your Speaking Presentation

Insight

Pat Rafferty of Androvett Legal Media & Marketing offers some tips to maximize your experience and develop business before,

during and after a presentation at a conference or other event.

U.S. Intellectual Property Ownership – Default Laws

Insight

In order for a tech company to determine how to protect its intellectual property, the company should understand how the key intellectual property rights work, according to Morgan Lewis.

Avoid Prejudgment Interest By Expressly Saying So in the Contract

Insight

Striking an interest provision from a draft subcontract wasn't enough to keep a party to the agreement from being required to pay interest, according to a review of a Missouri case by in Pepper Hamilton's Constructlaw blog.

Segal McCambridge Singer and Mahoney Adds Litigator Joseph L. Kish

News

Segal McCambridge Singer and Mahoney, Ltd. has added Joseph L. Kish to the firm.