Considerations for Vendor Contracts

Insight

As the number of vendors that businesses engage with rises, so does the need for a greater contractual understanding of vendor agreements among businesses, CIOs, IT departments, and general counsels alike, according to Foster Swift Collins & Smith.

The 2019 U.S. News Law School Rankings Leak: The Top 100

News

Above the Law has posted a leaked preview of U.S. News & World Report's U.S. law school rankings, from Yale University at number one to a six-way tie for spot number 74.

Whistleblower Says Walmart, Eyeing Amazon, Cheated on E-Commerce

News

The former executive alleges various wrongdoing, including the mislabeling of products, enabling Walmart to charge excessive

sales commissions, and failure to properly process customer returns, enabling it to boost results, reports Reuters.

State Court Judge – Who Wouldn't Marry Same-Sex Couples – Suspended for 3 Years

News

The court found that the Marion County Circuit Court committed "willful misconduct" and made "willful misstatements" to investigators to cover up the truth, according to *The Oregonian*.

Dallas Judge Denies Toyota Request to Seal Safety, Product Defect Documents

News

District Court Judge Dale Tillery said that it is in the public interest to keep such documents open for review because they detail issues involving public health and safety.

Akerman Adds Finance Partner Robert J. Stein in New York

News

Akerman LLP announced it has expanded its corporate, finance and private equity practice with the addition of corporate finance partner Robert J. Stein in New York.

Chicago Team of Big Law Veterans Form Actuate Law LLC

News

Five lawyers have formed Chicago-based boutique Actuate Law LLC, the new firm announced in a release.

Houston Trial Lawyer Courtney Ervin Joins Hicks Thomas as a Partner

News

Trial lawyer Courtney Ervin has joined commercial litigation boutique Hicks Thomas LLP, the firm announced.

Monica B. Wilkinson Appointed to Lead Dykema’s Health Care Practice Group

News

Monica B. Wilkinson, a member in Dykema’s Detroit office, has been appointed leader of the firm’s Health Care Practice Group.

Nicholas T. Terzulli, Formerly With the Nassau County IDA, Joins Farrell Fritz

News

Nicholas (Nick) T. Terzulli, former Director of Business Development at the Nassau County Industrial Development Agency (NCIDA), has joined Farrell Fritz as a real estate associate.

Uber’s Former Top Lawyer Sought a $100 Million Exit Package, Report Says

News

Salle Yoo thought the exit package request only fair because she had seen male executives ask for and get huge exit packages, reports Business Insider.

GE Stalls Executive Bonuses, But CEO Still Earns 157 Times More Than Average Worker

News

General Electric’s CEO and other top company executives received no bonuses in 2017, but the $9 million the CEO was awarded in his first year on the job is 157 times higher than the salary of the company’s median employee, MarketWatch reports.

Morgan Lewis Scolded for

Possible Conflict in Hotel Wage Case

News

Bloomberg Law reports that a judge concluded that Morgan Lewis “plainly violated” California attorney professional conduct rules by representing “both sides of the case” in a hotel workers’ class action suit.

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5 Steps to Creating the Most Defensible Legal Hold Audit Process

Insight

Sometimes companies may not have a clear record of when a legal hold was issued or who received it &emdash; meaning they have to scramble to put notices together when litigation arises.

Plaintiff Lawyers See Nationwide Settlement As Only

End For Opioid Lawsuits

News

The sheer complexity of the litigation raises questions about how the parties will craft an agreement that ends the threat of further lawsuits against the industry while distributing cash to all the varied entities who have sued, reports *Forbes*.

Ten-Week Telecommute Reasonable for In-House Counsel, Sixth Circuit Holds

News

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit found that ten weeks of telecommuting was a reasonable accommodation for a pregnant in-house lawyer put on bed rest, reports Manatt Phelps & Phillips LLP.

Global Warming Public Nuisance Actions Will Stay in Federal Court

News

The cities claim that the companies, despite knowing of the risks associated with climate change and global warming,

continued to produce and sell their products to the public that uses fossil fuels.

Webinar: Data Privacy: The Current Legal Landscape

Webinar

Troutman Sanders speakers will cover the ongoing evolution of the legal landscape for data-based products, so that organizations can continue to succeed in their development of data-based products.

Supreme Court to Clarify Applicability of Arbitration Act to Transportation Contracts

Insight

The case will be important for in-house and private transactional attorneys who draft contracts with transportation sector independent contractors, as well as litigators handling employee misclassification cases, according to Holland & Knight.

Sidley Launches Major UK Life Sciences Practice With Marie Manley

News

Maria Isabel (Marie) Manley has joined Sidley Austin LLP in London as a partner in its global Life Sciences practice.