Laurie J. Rust Joins Littler as Shareholder in Denver Office

News

Laurie J. Rust has joined Littler as a shareholder in the firm’s Denver office. Rust, a labor and employment litigator, joins from Gordon & Rees.

Perkins Coie Adds Former National Security and Cybercrimes Chief to White Collar Practice

News

Christopher K. Veatch has joined Perkins Coie’s White Collar & Investigations practice group as a partner in the Chicago office.

SEC Weighs a Big Gift to

Companies: Blocking Investor Lawsuits

News

Bloomberg is reporting that the SEC has privately signaled that it’s open to at least considering whether companies should be able to force investors to settle disputes through arbitration.

New Labor Board GC’s Restructuring Plan Worries Senior Officials

News

Senior officials with the National Labor Relations Board have expressed concern over a plan outlined by the board’s new general counsel to demote the senior civil servants who resolve most labor cases, reports >i>The New York Times.

Fund Manager Alleges Firm Fired Her After She Accused

Executive Of Coercing Sex

News

The plaintiff alleged that she filed a formal complaint against her manager in early December and was fired nine days later, reports *The Los Angeles Times*.

Answers Demanded Following Deadly Oklahoma Rig Explosion

News

As this incident moves from the recovery of the victims to the cleanup and investigation stage, a prominent Texas trial lawyer says the industry must use this tragedy as a signal to take stock of their safety procedures.

Royalty Owners Seek Class-Action Status Against Talisman Energy USA

News

The lawsuit charges that from Jan. 1, 2013, to June 1, 2016, Talisman failed to report, account for and make royalty payments based on its lease agreements.

AZA Adds Six Litigators to Trial Team

News

Houston-based Ahmad, Zavitsanos, Anaipakos, Alavi & Mensing has added six litigators to its trial, the firm announced.

Willkie Announces New Partners and Counsel

News

Willkie Farr & Gallagher announced 16 attorney promotions, effective January 1, 2018.

Littler Expands European Footprint with Move into Italy

News

Littler has expanded into Italy with the addition of a six-lawyer team in Milan led by experienced Italian principals Carlo Majer and Edgardo Ratti.

Dykema Appoints Eric Fingerhut as Managing Member of DC Office

News

Eric T. Fingerhut has been appointed as the Office Managing Member of Dykema's Washington, D.C., office. He succeeds Paul Laurenza, who served in the role for eight years.

Joel Athey Joins DLA Piper's Litigation Practice in Los Angeles

News

Joel Athey has joined DLA Piper's Litigation practice as a partner in Los Angeles, the firm announced.

Three Orsinger, Nelson,

Downing & Anderson Attorneys Earn Family Law Board Certifications

News

The three lawyers receiving board certification in family law are Chris Oldner, Holly Rampy Baird and R. Porter Corrigan II.

Return to Sender: Aetna to Pay $17M to Settle Claims Related to Vendor Mailer Data Breach

Insight

Eric Begun of King & Fisher explains that the newly announced settlement provides some important lessons in contract law, as well as some useful information on data breaches.

Download: Federal Judges Discuss E-Discovery

Proficiency of Legal Teams

Insight

Exterro has published part 1 of the 2018 Judges Report, which provides an in-depth examination of how the bench views these e-discovery issues: attorney proficiency, judicial competency, how to resolve e-discovery mistakes effectively.

Qualcomm Just Got Fined $1.23 Billion for Illegal Payments to Apple

News

The European Commission found that Qualcomm effectively shut down competition in the market, no matter how good competitors' products were, reports *Fortune*.

Usual Suspects: MDL-Experienced Lawyers Flock to Opioid Litigation for Possible Big Payday

News

The prospect of the biggest payday since the $200 billion

tobacco settlement in 1998 has drawn many of the same plaintiff lawyers who appear again and again in big tort cases, according to *Forbes*.

Former Associate Gets Jail Time In Biglaw Extortion Case

News

Prosecutors had asked for a three-month prison sentence for Michael Potere, but the U.S. district judge handling the case sentenced him to five months, plus a year of supervised release.

Webinar: Contract Review Automation in Action

Event, Feb. 21, 2 p.m. EST

LawGeex says the webinar will show how modern legal teams are revolutionizing their daily contract review processes. This will be a practical look at using on-the-ground solutions for contract review automation.

Why Many Companies Are Giving Bonuses – Not Raises – After the New Tax Cuts

News

The Washington Post reports that companies like Apple, American Airlines, Bank of America and AT&T have been giving bonuses to their workers in the wake of the new U.S. tax law, but fewer employers are putting their tax savings into a boost in base pay.