Adam Ghander joins DLA Piper’s Corporate practice in Boston

News

DLA Piper announced that Adam Ghander has joined the firm’s Corporate practice as a partner in Boston.

Michael Schmidtberger Elected Chair of Sidley’s Executive Committee

News

Michael J. Schmidtberger has been elected chair of Sidley Austin LLP’s’s Executive Committee, the governing body responsible for exercising general authority over the firm’s policies and affairs.

Bankrupt Toys R Us Can Pay Executives Millions of

Dollars in Bonuses, Judge Rules

News

Attorneys for the company argued in court papers that the bonuses would help encourage executives to focus on driving up sales as the holidays approach, reports *The Washington Post*.

Fear Mounts Inside USDA over Trump's General Counsel Pick

News

Politico is reporting that morale among many of the Agriculture Department's legal staff has plummeted since Stephen Vaden, the Trump administration's nominee to be USDA General Counsel, assumed leadership in March, say several agency attorneys from across the country.

Will Biglaw Firms Get Caught in the Weinstein RICO Lawsuit?

News

Reporting on the filing of a RICO suit against the "Weinstein Sexual Enterprise" has brought up names of some Biglaw firms,

but they’re not named in the complaint.

Legal Symposium to Explore Groundbreaking Terror-Financing Case

News

Werbner will discuss *Linde, et al. v. Arab Bank PLC* in a presentation titled, “Fighting Terror-Financing in the Courtroom,” during the State Bar of Texas Litigation Update Institute’s 34th annual course in January 2018.

Kean Miller Launches Houston Office, Adding Ogden Broocks & Hall Lawyers

News

Louisiana law firm Kean Miller LLP is expanding beyond its home state for the first time, opening an office Dec. 1 in Houston.

High Performance Counsel Launches New Content Partnership With Foxwordy

News

High Performance Counsel, a legal industry publication delivering thought-leadership and commentary, announced its new content partnership with Foxwordy, the digital collaboration platform for lawyers and law professionals.

DXC Technology Selects UnitedLex to Support Global Law Function Transformation

News

The announcement follows the April 2017 formation of DXC, which brought together Computer Sciences Corp. and the Enterprise Services business of Hewlett Packard Enterprise

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Dykema's Chicago Office Adds Tax Attorney Richard L.

Lieberman

News

Lieberman joins Dykema after spending more than eight years as a partner with Burke, Warren, MacKay & Serritella, P.C., where he served as Chair of the firm's Tax and Employee Benefits practice.

J&J, Bayer Ordered to Pay $28 Million in First Xarelto Loss

News

The jury in Philadelphia on Tuesday ordered J&J and Bayer, which jointly developed the product, to pay $1.8 million in actual damages and $26 million in punitive damages, Bloomberg reports.

Judge Kicked Off Bench After Contacting Witnesses in Wife's Case

News

A Virginia judge was removed from the bench by the Virginia Supreme Court after he admitted contacting two key witnesses in a pending federal corruption case against his wife,

according to *The Washington Post*.

Trump Lawyers Say Judge Lacks Jurisdiction for Defamation Lawsuit

News

Summer Zervos, a former contestant on Trump's reality show "The Apprentice," contends that Trump's denials of her accusations amounted to false and defamatory statements, according to Reuters.

National Ranking Guide Names AZA to Best Law Firms List for Sixth Year

News

Houston's AZA is listed in the 2018 top tier of area metropolitan law firms for commercial litigation. The selection of Best Law Firms is based on a rigorous process that includes client and lawyer evaluations and peer review from other attorneys in the same practice areas.

Download: Greenwald on the Value of Privacy

Insight

Zapproved has published a complimentary recap of the PREX17 keynote address by Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Glenn Greenwald, which explores the boundary layer between law and technology in the connected society.

Minorities are Still Scarce Among Law Firm Partners and General Counsel

News

A study by the Minority Corporate Counsel Association shows that only 11 percent of general counsel at Fortune 500 companies are black, Hispanic, Asian or Native American even though minorities make up a third of the legal profession as a whole.

A Twist in Oil Patch Arbitration

Insight

Charles Sartain of Gray Reed discusses a recent case in which parties to the sale of a business sent their dispute to accountants to arbitrate.

Fixed-Price Contracts Are Simple – Or Are They?

Insight

Marion T. Hack of Pepper Hamilton examines the definition of fixed-price contracts and cases in which the audit provision in the contract has been unsuccessfully used to assert claims for reimbursement and False Claims Act liability.

Be Careful When Using Liquidated Damages with Your Non-Compete Clause

Insight

While a liquidated damages provision is not a silver bullet, if properly drafted, such a clause can be a significant deterrent to an employee who might otherwise decide to test

the bounds of a non-compete, writes Shep Davidson.

Is It Time for People to Breach Their NDAs and Speak Truth to Power?

Insight

Elie Mystal, writing for Above the Law, discusses some top factors to remember when dealing with a sexual predator who has signed you to a non-disclosure agreement.