U.S. Investors Fight to Preserve SEC Rule on CEO Pay Ratio

News

More than 100 unions, pension funds, activist investors, state treasurers and consumer advocacy groups urged the acting SEC commissioner not to delay the implementation of the rule, Reuters reports.

Leon Cooperman Ordered to Trial in Insider-Trading Case

News

A billionaire investor could face trial on allegations that he reaped more than $4 million in illegal profits after conversations with a company insider, Bloomberg reports.

U.S. Investor, CEO Groups Set for Lobbying Battle Over Proxy Challenges

News

A major business trade group’s request that the White House

use its influence on the SEC to make it harder to get governance, political or environmental issues onto corporate ballots has a new opponent, Reuters reports.

Texas May Face Federal Supervision After Judges' Ruling on Congressional Districts

Insight

A Dallas attorney says Texas may have to ask for permission to change election laws after a panel of federal judges ruled the maps drawn for three congressional districts violate federal statutes, according to a post on the website of Androvett Legal Media & Marketing.

Former Archer Daniels Midland Lead Securities Counsel Joins Stinson Leonard Street

News

Former ADM Lead Securities Counsel Stuart Funderburg Joins Stinson Leonard Street in Decatur, Ill. He works in securities law compliance, capital markets and corporate governance

matters

Marissa Mayer’s $23-Million Severance From Yahoo May Look Obscene. But It’s Even Worse.

News

Former CEO Marissa Mayer’s golden parachute may end up being more than triple the announced $23 million that she is due from Yahoo in its acquisition by Verizon, according to an article in *The New York Times*.

The U.S. Tax Reform and the Energy Sector

Insight

Reforms in the U.S. tax code proposed being considered in Congress could have significant implications for the energy industry in the U.S., and worldwide, according to an article published on the website of Hogan Lovells.

Is Your Noncompete Agreement Enforceable?

Insight

Laws in many jurisdictions generally support reasonable noncompete agreements in employment, but other regulations limit restrictions on separated employees, says , warns David B. Ritter of Barnes & Thornburg in an interview with *SHRM Online*.

Writing ‘Subject To Contract’ May or May Not be a Contract

Insight

If a so-called agreement is truly preliminary, in the sense that it does not evidence a fully-baked deal, with agreement on all the essential terms, it really isn’t an agreement at all, writes Glenn West in Weil’s Global Private Equity Watch.

The New Alt-Enabled View On Contracts and Diligence

Insight

Above the Law has started a multi-part series on contract management tools and services in the alt.legal world.

Legal Marketing Lessons for Real People

Insight

Two Dallas lawyers are good examples of professionals who have found clever ways to make their personal passions part of their legal marketing efforts, writes Amy Boardman Hunt in a post on the website of Muse Communications, LLC.

The Future of Legal Work: CLM Tech Can Transform Legal With Self-Service

News

General counsel are expected to become innovators – or at a minimum not preventing innovation – by helping their colleagues and IT test new ideas and technology at a rapid pace, writes Lisa Spathis.

Too Much Wine: Ex-BigLaw

Partner’s Insider Tip to Broker Leads to His Conviction

News

Robert Schulman of McLean, Va., was convicted of securities fraud and conspiracy charges. Post-trial defense motions are due April 14, reports Bloomberg Law.

German Authorities Raid Jones Day Offices in VW Emissions Inquiry

News

German prosecutors raided the offices of Jones Day, the American law firm hired to conduct an internal investigation of Volkswagen’s emissions fraud, the AP reports.

Ex-Harvard Lawyer Gets 40 Years in Prison for Abducting

Woman

News

A U.S. district judge sentenced disbarred Harvard-educated lawyer Matthew Muller to 40 years in prison for abducting a California woman in a crime so elaborate and bizarre that police initially dismissed it as a hoax, the Associated Press reports.

Eric Christofferson Joins DLA Piper’s Litigation Practice in Boston

News

Eric P. Christofferson, a former assistant US attorney, has joined DLA Piper’s Litigation practice as a partner in the Boston office.

Kenneth Crane and Rita Garry Join Freeborn Corporate Practice Group

News

Kenneth M. Crane represents private equity, venture capital and family office clients, focusing on acquisitions and sale

transactions. Rita W. Garry focuses her practice on serving as outside general counsel to small and middle-market companies.

Quarles & Brady Names Commercial Litigation & Dispute Resolution Group Leaders

News

Edward A. Salanga has been named national chair of Quarles & Brady's Commercial Litigation & Dispute Resolution practice group, and partner Joshua D. Maggard will assume the newly established role of vice-chair of the Commercial Litigation & Dispute Resolution Group, effective immediately.

Reducing the Challenges of Cross-Border eDiscovery

Insight

Due to the nature of litigation, cross-border eDiscovery often places U.S. corporations in the tumultuous position of potentially violating foreign privacy laws, writes Greg Mitchell on the website of UnitedLex.

ACC Workshop: Controlling External Legal Costs

Event, April 19-20, Dallas

Leading in-house counsel and progressive law firm partners will share new ideas and approaches to control external legal costs, when they gather at the ACC Legal Services Management Workshop, April 19-20 in Dallas.