Tillerson May Face Deposition About ‘Wayne Tracker’ Alias Emails

News

Tillerson sent the most sensitive messages to and from company board members, including communications about the risks associated with climate change, New York Attorney General Eric Schneiderman said.

Monsanto Ghostwrote Cancer Studies of Its Own Weed Killer, Plaintiffs in Lawsuit Say

News

Plaintiffs claim that Monsanto’s toxicology manager ghostwrote parts of a scientific report in 2013 that was published under the names of several academic scientists, and his boss ghostwrote parts of another in 2000, according to a Reuters report.

ABC News Headed to Trial With Billions of Dollars on the Line

News

ABC News moved closer to a jury trial in South Dakota in a lawsuit alleging that the network defamed Beef Products Inc. in its coverage of a meat product critics have dubbed “pink slime,” reports *The Hollywood Reporter*.

Dealing With Oracle’s Aggressive Audit Program

Insight

Christopher Barnett of Scott & Scott LLP discusses some of the most important audit risks to keep in mind when using Oracle products.

Strategic-Asset GC: Complimentary Webinar

Event, March 23, 2 p.m. EDT

The National Association of Corporate Directors will present a complimentary webinar on reassessing the evaluation process on evaluations on director performance.

Reducing Workplace Violence

Insight

Companies have obligations to keep their employees safe regarding anticipated dangers as well as to respond quickly to actual dangers, writes Natalie Lynch of Lynch Law Firm in Austin.

Family of Texas Man Killed in Biloxi Train-Bus Crash Files Lawsuit

News

A Texas woman is suing a railroad and a bus company for the death of her father who was killed when a freight train slammed into the tour bus carrying him and other senior citizens

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BigLaw Layoff Watch: 60 Staff Positions Across 22 U.S.

Offices

News

Above the Law is reporting on another big layoff of BigLaw staff, asking the question: Has the Great Associate Pay Raise of 2016 ushered in the Not-So-Great Staff Layoffs of 2017?

EPA to the Oil and Gas Industry on its Request for Information: Never Mind

Insight

The EPA has announced that it will no longer demand detailed information regarding methane releases from gas production facilities and related equipment, reports Akin Gump in its AG Deal Diary.

J. David Hitchcock Joins Buchalter As Shareholder in Los Angeles Office

News

David Hitchcock has joined Buchalter Nemer’s Los Angeles office as a shareholder in the Real Estate practice group.

Akerman Expands Real Estate Group with Addition of Four Lawyers in Denver

News

Akerman LLP announced the the addition of partners Allison Nelson and Lori Albert and associates William Garehime and Kelly Adams from Fennemore Craig to the firm’s Real Estate Practice Group.

IP Veteran Van Lindberg Joins Dykema Cox Smith’s San Antonio Office

News

Dykema Cox Smith announced the addition of IP lawyerVan Lindberg to its Intellectual Property group in the firm’s San Antonio office.

Austin Jury Finds Danish Woman Was Defrauded in $1.35M Condo Sale

News

A Travis County jury has returned a verdict against Chicago Title of Texas, LLC and other real estate-related businesses, finding they defrauded a young Danish woman of all proceeds from the sale of her $1.35 million condominium at the exclusive Residences at W Austin, according to a post on the website of Androvett Legal Media & Marketing

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8th Circuit: No Contracting Out of WARN Act Obligations Where Sale of Business is 'Going Concern'

News

Companies considering purchasing a business should carefully consider the intent of the proposed transaction when assessing their WARN Act obligations, according to a post on the website of Winston & Strawn LLP.

Update: House Bill a ‘Death Sentence’ for Plaintiffs’ Firms

News

Pro-business groups see an opening for a series of bills moving through the House that would discourage class actions and generally make it harder to sue businesses, reports Bloomberg Businessweek.

Wine Bar Sues Trump and Hotel, Claiming Illegal Advantage

News

Cork’s owners say they are losing business to the Trump hotel, which they say may be attracting diplomats and politicians looking to curry favor with Trump, *The New York Times* reports.

Miami Lawyer’s Pants Erupt in Flames During Arson Trial

News

A Miami defense lawyer’s pants burst into flames Wednesday

afternoon as he began his closing arguments in front of a jury – in an arson case, reports The Miami Herald.

Top 10 Tips – Contractual Audits

Insight

In a recent client alert, Reed Smith offers tips for dealing with audit provisions involving payment of a license fee or royalty.

Six Red Flags to Look for in Any Contract

Insight

Barry Moltz, writing in Nextiva's blog, warns that too many small business owners gloss over important terms in contracts they sign.

Construction Contract

Keystones, Part I: Payment Mechanisms

Insight

Much Shelist, P.C. has published an article reviewing the three most commonly used payment mechanisms in construction contracts and the benefits and drawbacks of each.