Jeffrey M. Griffin Joins McDonald Sanders

News

Jeffrey M. Griffin has joined McDonald Sanders of Fort Worth as an associate attorney, the firm announced.

Lawyer Who Says He Helped Win $52.5 Million Chesapeake Settlement Sues Co-Counsel Over Fees

News

A Fort Worth attorney who helped represent residents of Johnson, Tarrant and Dallas counties in a lawsuit against Chesapeake Energy and Total E&P USA is suing his co-counsel for a third of the legal fees from the nearly $53 million settlement, reports *The Dallas Morning News*.

Webcast: CFPB Trends in Enforcement and

Investigations

On-Demand

The Gibson Dunn webinar covers challenges the CFPB raises for compliance professionals and in-house litigation counsel.

A.M. Best Webinar Examines Legal, Insurance Ramifications of Lead Injuries

Event, August 3, 2 p.m. EDT

A panel of legal and insurance professionals will discuss the sources of lead injury claims, developing liability issues and the industry impact of lead-based claims.

Can Pokémon Go Land You in Court?

Insight

While Pokémon Go is being credited for encouraging more public conversation and promoting regular physical exercise, Dallas attorney Rogge Dunn says there are many ways that a Pokémon pursuit can land a player at the courthouse or, worse, the jailhouse.

Ex-Johnson & Johnson Unit Execs Guilty of Misdemeanors, Avoid Felony Convictions

News

The jury acquitted the two defendants on felony charges of wire fraud and conspiracy, finding they did not act with intent to defraud or mislead. But the two former executives were convicted on charges of promoting a product for an unapproved use, Reuters reports.

JPMorgan Said Near Settlement With U.S. Over Hiring in Asia

News

The deal could cost JPMorgan about $200 million in the settlements over its hiring practices, according to Bloomberg Law, citing information from one of two people familiar with the matter.

U.S. Sues to Block Anthem-Cigna and Aetna-Humana Mergers

News

U.S. Attorney General Loretta E. Lynch said the proposed mergers "would leave much of the multitrillion-dollar health insurance industry in the hands of three mammoth insurance companies," reports *The New York Times*.

Preventing Discrimination Claims: Who is Protected and How to Maintain Compliance

Event, August 31, 1 p.m. EDT

Littler Mendelson will present a webinar about maintaining compliance under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act as it concerns protection of employees, both legal and illegal immigrants.

How to Defend Against a

Breach of Contract Claim

Insight

One of the most common business disputes involves a breach of contract, where lawsuits are filed because one party believes another party has failed to deliver on the terms of a written – or sometimes oral – contract, writes Romy Jurado in a blog article for Jurado & Farshchian.

Can Non-Compete Agreements Be Classified As Personal Services Contracts?

Insight

The 8th Circuit Court of Appeals recently addressed an issue that frequently arises in the non-compete context: what happens when a company buys the assets of another and then tries to enforce non-compete agreements? Michael Elkon of Fisher & Phillips discusses the case.

Despite (or Because of) Extensive Negotiations, No

Contract and No Promissory Estoppel

Insight

In this case, the fact that there was no integrated agreement did not defeat the plaintiff's breach of contract claim. Rather, the question was whether there was ever an intent to create a contract, writes Stephen M. Proctor of Masuda Funai.

Court Finds That Text Message Can Form Binding Contract

Insight

A Massachusetts court ruled that a string of text messages can constitute a writing under the Statute of Frauds sufficient to bind the parties to sell certain property, writes Matthew DeVries on Burr & Forman LLP's Best Practices Construction Law.

How GC Pay Stacks Up in the Corporate Ladder

News

Bloomberg Law has drilled down through Securities and Exchange Commission documents to see how the compensation of 30 of the

highest paid general counsel compare to the pay for other top-ranking executives in their corporations.

Prudential Fined for Authorizing Fraudulent Annuity Withdrawals

News

Financial sales assistant Travis Wetzel was convicted of wire fraud and money laundering in 2015 and sentenced to 42 months in prison for forging annuity withdrawal requests on his 82-year-old client's account, according to a Reuters report.

Christie Auditions for AG by Putting Clinton on Mock Trial

News

The New Jersey governor relied on his experience as a former U.S. attorney "to present a case on the facts against Hillary Rodham Clinton," courtroom-style, encouraging the captivated crowd to act as a "jury of her peers," reports *The New York Daily News*.

Protect Your Company Against Copyright Infringement Claims by Disgruntled Employees

Insight

Keli Swann of Scott & Scott, LLP offers some tips on how to deal with disgruntled former employees seeking revenge through a BSA reward for software copyright infringement.

Buchalter Nemer Adds Three Counsel to Los Angeles Office

News

Buchalter Nemer has added three counsel to its Los Angeles office: Terese A. Mosher Beluris and Stephen J. Strauss joined as of counsel, and Michael Zerman as special counsel.

Cybersecurity for Banks: The Legal and Regulatory Framework

Event, July 26, 1-2:30 p.m. EDT

Practical Law will present a complimentary webinar Tuesday, July 26, 1-2:30 p.m. EDT, on evolving cybersecurity issues for

banks.

Criminal Probe Casts 2009 Ackman-Target Boardroom Brawl in New Light

News

The same tactics cited in the criminal complaint were used to help Target defeat hedge fund activist Bill Ackman in 2009, according to a former Georgeson employee turned whistleblower, reports Reuters.