Taking Control of Corporate Discovery: What It Means for Outside Counsel

Event, July 21, 3-7 p.m. EDT

Bloomberg BNA's Big Law Business, in partnership with Catalyst, will present a complimentary live event, "Taking Control of Corporate Discovery: What It Means for Outside Counsel," Thursday, July 21, in New York.

Court Grants Discovery on Individual Defendants' Personal Computers and Email

News

A magistrate judge has found that a plaintiff's request for individual defendants to search for and produce certain documents from their personal computers and email accounts was not "unduly intrusive or burdensome" because the request was limited in time frame and the parties had agreed to search terms, according to a report by Doug Austin on eDiscoverydaily.

Civil Fines Jump Across Agencies Under Inflation Adjustment Act

Insight

The Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act of 2015 takes effect on August 1, 2016, when agencies will begin applying the new penalty levels to any penalties assessed on and after that date, according to Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr.

Landowners Approve Settlement Worth $51 Million With Chesapeake Energy

News

Chesapeake Energy will pay about $51 million to wipe out hundreds of lawsuits accusing the Oklahoma City energy giant of cheating North Texas property owners out of millions of dollars in natural gas royalties, according to a report in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*.

The GC Who Took Home $25 Million and 29 Other Highly Paid GCs

News

Bruce Sewell, senior vice president of legal and global security and general counsel at Apple Inc., leads Bloomberg Law's list of the most highly compensated general counsel in American companies.

Herbalife Agrees to $200M Settlement With FTC

News

The FTC has determined that Herbalife is not a pyramid scheme, but the company will be required to pay $200 million to consumers and "fully restructure" its "unfair" business in a comprehensive settlement, the federal regulator, according to a report by *USA Today*.

U.S. Prosecutors Launch Review of Failed Fedex Drug

Case

News

The review plays into a broader debate about how the government prosecutes suspected corporate wrongdoing and could influence its approach to such cases in the future," write Dan Levine and David Ingram for Reuters.

Natalie Arbaugh Listed Among 2016 'Women Worth Watching' by Journal

News

Fish & Richardson announced that three principals – including Natalie Arbaugh of Dallas – have been named to the Profiles in Diversity Journal (PDJ) 2016 list of the "Women Worth Watching."

Breaking Up Is Hard to Do: Tips for Handling Supplier Terminations

Insight

The decision to end a supplier relationship can be a difficult one, often reached only after multiple attempts to fix

problems have failed and various alternatives to termination have been fully considered, writes Robert F. Ware of Thompson Hine.

Classic China Scam: Come to China to Sign the Contract

Insight

Once the Westerner gets to China, the local representative profits by splitting inflated costs incurred at hotels and restaurants and from fake notary charges, explains Dan Harris in Harris Moure, LLP's China Law blog.

Subcontractor's Failure to Strictly Comply With Notice Provision Costs $200,000

Insight

When you are required to strictly comply with a particular provision or legal requirement, then any departure from that requirement (no matter how insubstantial) can void the claim or provide an absolute defense, writes Matthew DeVries of Burr & Forman LLP.

New Federal Trade Secret Statute Requires Important Updates to Contracts

Insight

Employers are required to provide employees with notice that they are entitled to immunity if they disclose a trade secret for the purpose of reporting suspected illegal conduct, according to a report by Fisher & Phillips LLP.

Webinar: New Contract-Tools Microsoft Add-In

News

Paper Software has announced the release of Contract Tools, a powerful new Microsoft Word add-in designed to aid in working with contracts.

Rose • Walker Victory Makes

Top-Verdicts List

News

Texas Lawyer's annual listing of the top verdicts in Texas includes last year's trial win by Dallas-based Rose•Walker for firm client ThermoTek Inc. as one of the state's top contract verdicts.

Frank Ryan Named U.S. Co-Chair of DLA Piper IP and Technology Practice

News

DLA Piper has named Frank Ryan, a partner in the firm's New York office, U.S. co-chair of its Intellectual Property and Technology practice, effective July 1, 2016.

NACD Executive Summary: Preparing the Board for Shareholder Activism

Insight

As year-round shareholder activism becomes the new norm in the American boardroom, directors are called upon to prepare for and respond to any possible activist challenges, the NACD

reports.

Littler Survey Shows Employers Grappling With Regulatory, Social Changes

Insight

Littler Mendelson’s 2016 Executive Employer Survey examines the legal, economic and social issues having the greatest impact on the workplace, based on responses from more than 800 executives.

BP Fined $20 Million for Rigging U.S. Natural Gas Markets

News

BP Plc faces more than $20 million in penalties and surrendered profits after a U.S. regulator found that the energy giant manipulated commodity markets in Texas, according to a report by Bloomberg and published by *The Business Times*.

Google Self-Driving Car Project Gets First GC as Scrutiny Rises

News

The hiring comes at a critical time as Google aims to commercialize self-driving cars by 2020. With a CEO and a director already in place, a chief lawyer has been a missing piece.

Silicon Valley Star Gets Caught Up In One of the Nastiest Startup Lawsuits Ever

News

One of the founders of futuristic transportation start-up Hyperloop One has filed a wrongful termination suit against his former co-founder, alleging nepotism and harassment, CNN is reporting.