Can Computer Application Programming Interfaces Be Copyrighted?

NEWS

The Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF) reports that it has asked the U.S. Supreme Court to review a “disastrous” appellate court decision finding that com[puter application programming interfaces (APIs) can be copyrighted.

GM Names Firm to Lead Search for New General Counsel

NEWS

Executive search firm Heidrick & Struggles International Inc. will lead the search to find a new general counsel to succeed General Motors Co.’s Michael P. Millikin, who will retire early next year, reports The Wall Street Journal.

What’s New in the World of Trade Secrets and Non-

Competes

EVENT: Dec. 16, 1 p.m. EST

Epstein Becker Green will present a complimentary webinar reviewing 2014 developments in noncompete contracts and what employers should expect and prepare for in 2015.

Mandatory GMO Labeling Laws

EVENT: Nov. 19, 2:30 p.m.

The National Agricultural Law Center will present a complimentary webinar onthe ballot initiatives and legislative proposals addressing the labeling of "Genetically Modified Organisms," commonly known as "GMOs."

Can Your Company Withstand $50 Oil?

EVENT: Nov. 19, 1 p.m. CST

PwC will host a complimentary webinar titled "Fit for $50 oil: Is your company in shape?"

Dealing with ‘Ban the Box’ Job Application Rules

On-Demand

Employment Screening Resources has posted an on-demand webinar how “Ban the Box” laws that remove questions about criminal records of applicants from job applications are fast becoming a national standard that will soon affect all employers.

FDIC and Force-Placed Flood Compliance

EVENT: Nov. 18, 2 p.m. EST

Miniter Group will host a webinar designed to clear up the confusion to loan servicers with regard to flood insurance.

Qualcomm Faces Two New Antitrust Probes

NEWS

Qualcomm faces three investigations into allegations of anti-competitive behaviour, as it revealed new probes in the US and EU on top of the antitrust inquiry it already faces in China, according to a report in *The Financial Times*.

Apple Facing Trial for Music Downloading Restrictions

NEWS

Apple will try to defend against allegations that it violated antitrust laws by trying to restrict music downloads for iPods to its iTunes store. Jury selection in the federal trial will begin Nov. 19, reports the *San Jose Mercury News*.

Media Companies Want Programming Contracts Kept Confidential

NEWS

Some media companies have sought a court order to stop the U.S. Federal Communications Commission from disclosing programming contracts as part of its review of Comcast Corp.'s proposed purchase of Time Warner Cable Inc.

Energy-Storing Batteries Will

Boost Grid Reliability

NEWS

Renewable Energy Systems Ltd., a developer of clean-energy projects, is building battery storage units near Chicago that will boost grid reliability, reports Bloomberg News.

Holiday Workers Need Background Checks, Too

NEWS

Because temporary employees usually have access to your place of business, and they interact with your permanent work force and maybe even clients, it’s important to be sure they can be trusted, advises EmployeeScreenIQ.

Determining a Consumer’s Modified Adjusted Gross Income

White Paper

The National Health Law Association has posted online a complimentary white paper on rules for determining a consumer’s Modified Adjusted Gross Income.

How to Navigate Social Media, Religion and Privacy in the Workplace

Dec. 17, 12 p.m. PST

Hatmaker Law Group will present a free employment webinar discussing methods for navigating social media, religion and privacy in the workplace.

Nov. 19 Webinar: Intelligent Energy Systems

Nov. 19, 2 p.m. EST

JLL and Environmental Leader will present a complimentary webinar on the use of intelligent energy systems in commercial buildings.

Climate Change Standards Webinar Set for Nov. 18

Nov. 18, 2 p.m. EST

The American National Standards Institute Network on Smart and

Sustainable Cities will present a complimentary webinar on local governments' application of climate change standards formulated by the International Organization for Standardization.

Apple Suppliers Shunned as GT Bankruptcy Sparks Selloff

NEWS

The bankruptcy of GT Advanced Technologies Inc. wiped out 92 percent of its value in a single day last month, leading to a loss in investor confidence in Apple Inc. suppliers and vendors .

For-Profit Education Groups Sue to Block Gainful Employment Rules

NEWS

Inside Higher Ed reports that the for-profit education sector's primary trade group on Thursday filed suit in federal court to block gainful employment regulations, which the U.S. Department of Education unveiled last week.

In-House Legal Work to Increase Over the Next Year

News

Corporate law departments have reported in a recent Altman Weil survey that they will cut down on outside counsel spending over the next year, writes JDJournal, reporting on Altman Weil Inc.’s “2014 Chief Legal Officer Survey.”

Win-Win or Hardball: Learn Top Strategies from Sports Contract Negotiations

White Paper

Harvard Law School’s Program on Negotiation is offering a free copy of “Win-Win or Hardball: Learn Top Strategies from Sports Contract Negotiations.”