# Trump Lawyers Urge Supreme Court to Rule for Colorado Cake Maker Who Turned Away Gay Couple

***News***

The brief filed Thursday is likely to bolster the cake maker's case, and is in line President Trump's repeated promises to protect "religious liberty," according to *The Los Angeles Times*.

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# Intel Scores Victory (For Now) In Fight Against $1.3 Billion Fine

***News***

*Fortune* reports that Intel has won a victory of sorts in its long-running fight against a €1.06 billion ($1.26 billion) antitrust fine that was levied against it by the European Commission eight years ago.

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# CEOs See a ‘Sad Day’ After Trump’s DACA Decision

*News*

Timothy D. Cook, Apple’s chief executive, tweeted that his company would fight for the people affected by Trump’s action to be “treated as equals.”

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# Phones for VW Lawyer, Emissions Tester Were Lost or Wiped Clean

*News*

The GC of VW Group of America at the time reported he lost his phone while en route to Los Angeles International Airport on Dec. 1, 2015, according to the records.

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# DOJ Investigating Whether Uber Violated Foreign-Bribery Laws

*News*

The privately-held ride-hailing giant is being investigated for possibly violating the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act,

reports Business Insider.

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# Federal Employee Overtime Policies in Flux

***News***

Businesses hoping to avoid overtime obligations for hourly workers must jump through three hoops in most cases. One of those hoops is to pay at least the minimum salary set by the U.S. Department of Labor.

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# Supreme Court Has Another Chance To Help Take Down Patent Trolls

***News***

When the U.S. Supreme Court hears  Oil States Energy Service v. Greene's Energy Group, the justices will have the opportunity to banish patent trolls back under the bridge where they belong, according to Above the Law.

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# Mueller Uses Classic Prosecution Playbook Despite Trump Warnings

***News***

Bloomberg Law describes how special counsel Robert Mueller is following a time-tried strategy for looking into the Trump campaign’s possible ties to Russia

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# Stays of Contract Award and Performance

***Insight***

An article in the Government Contracts Insights blog on the website of Morrison Foerster discusses stays of award and performance during the pendency of a bid protest.

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# FERC is Back and Faces a Full Plate of Electricity Issues

***Insight***

With two new commissioners confirmed by the Senate and sworn in, FERC’s seven-month period without a quorum is over and it can get back to business, reports Covington & Burling on its Inside Energy & Environment blog.

# Could State Subsidies for Renewable Energy Face Legal Challenges?

***Insight***

The latest developments in federal courts indicate that state subsidies for renewable energy, including renewable-energy portfolio standards and mandated procurement programs, are safe from challenges, at least for now, according to an O'Melveny & Myers article.

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# PwC to Pay $1 Mln to Settle Merrill Lynch Audit Complaint

***News***

Reuters is reporting that accounting company PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP will pay $1 million to settle a civil complaint alleging it conducted a flawed audit into Merrill Lynch's compliance with federal brokerage customer protection rules.

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# New U.S. Rule on Class Actions Survives First Challenge

***News***

Reuters reports that the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau's rule abolishing "mandatory arbitration clauses" was released on July 10, and was immediately threatened by Republicans in Congress and President Donald Trump's administration

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# Once Again, Trump DOJ Busts Convention, Splits Government in High-Profile Employment Case

***News***

The case of Donald Zarda, a skydiver who claimed his employer violated Title VII when it fired him after finding out he was gay, illustrates how the U.S. Department of Justice and the Equal Opportunity Commission can sometimes operate at cross purposes in litigation.

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# BLM Proposes Rescission of 2015 Hydraulic Fracturing Rule

***News***

The Bureau of Land Management has announced its recommendation that the hydraulic fracturing rule from 2015 entitled, “Oil and Gas; Hydraulic Fracturing on Federal and Indian Lands,” be rescinded, reports Fox Rothschild.

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# Pharmaceutical Company Celgene Settles Suit for $280 Million

***News***

The agreement, announced by federal prosecutors, came out of a lawsuit filed by a former Celgene saleswoman who said Celgene submitted false claims to Medicare and health care programs in 28 states and Washington, D.C.

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# Can the President Be

# Indicted? A Long-Hidden Legal Memo Says Yes

***News***

*The New York Times* reports that the 56-page memo amounts to the most thorough government-commissioned analysis rejecting a generally held view that presidents are immune from prosecution while in office.

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# Former Health and Human Services Deputy GC Joins Hogan Lovells

***News***

Hogan Lovells announced that David Horowitz, the former Deputy General Counsel of the US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS, has joined the firm as a partner.

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# Republicans Introduce Bills to Scrap New Bank Arbitration Rule

***News***

The new Consumer Financial Protection Bureau rule would ban

banks and other financial institutions from forcing arbitration clauses on customers to prevent them from bringing or joining class-action suits, reports *The Los Angeles Times*.

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# Are You Prepared for GDPR? Take the Survey

***Survey***

To gauge readiness for GDPR across industries and global regions, Yerra and Blickstein Group have launched an industry survey to help benchmark where global corporations are in their preparations.