### The SEC Doesn't Like Your Employment Agreements

### **Insight**

Companies should examine their employment agreements to ensure compliance with the SEC's Rule 21F-17, writes Evan Gibbs for Above the Law.

## Roy Moore's Suspension Upheld By Alabama Supreme Court; Decision Next Week on Senate Race

#### News

Moore was suspended over his administrative order against the issuance of marriage licenses to same-sex couples, reports AL.com.

Webinar: Bridging the Information Gap Between

## Inventors and the Patent System

### Event, April 27, 11 a.m. CDT

Fitch, Even, Tabin & Flannery LLP will present a free webinar, "Full Disclosure: Bridging the Information Gap Between Inventors and the Patent System," featuring Fitch Even partner Michael J. Krautner.

## Trump's Trademark Continues Its March Across the Globe, Raising Eyebrows

#### News

This business enterprise poses legal and moral perils to the president, even though that business now is run by his two sons.

# Ex-U.S. Attorney Links Firing to Trump Team's 'HelterSkelter Incompetence'

#### News

Preet Bharara, the former U.S. attorney in Manhattan, calls

the way his firing was handled a direct example of "helterskelter incompetence."

### Removal of Energy 'Burdens' Could Have Huge Impacts

### Insight

A provision of the "energy independence" executive order signed by President Trump is so broad in scope that legal experts say it could affect numerous government responsibilities far beyond those that deal directly with energy and climate change, according to a post by Climate Central.

### Democratic Supreme Court Opposition Grows; Schumer Warns GOP

### News

Senate Democratic opposition to Donald Trump's Supreme Court nominee swelled Friday as Democrats neared the numbers needed to block Judge Neil Gorsuch with a filibuster, reports the Associated Press.

## Trump Appoints One of His Lawyers to Review Mergers

### News

Companies are hoping that the new Republican administration will be more permissive with mergers than the Obama administration was, *The New York Times* reports.

## Court: FERC's Regulatory Structure Not Biased in Favor of Pipeline Applicants

#### News

The district court concluded that if plaintiffs "are unhappy" with Congress's chosen appropriations to FERC, plaintiffs' "recourse lies with their legislative representatives," according to Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP's Gavel2Gavel blog.

### Amazon.com Wins \$1.5 Billion

### Tax Dispute Over IRS

### News

The IRS contended that the e-commerce giant had inappropriately brought down its U.S. tax bill by grossly undervaluing the assets it transferred to its Luxembourg subsidiary, which the company created more than a decade ago, reports *The Seattle Times*.

# Ruling Against Acting NLRB GC Offers Opportunity for Employers

### News

Employers who want to challenge their unfair labor practice complaints may want to delay their cases from being heard, according to a source quoted by the Society for Human Resource Management.

# Blue State Attorneys General Leading the Resistance to Trump's Agenda

### News

With Democrats outnumbered in Congress, a coalition of blue

state attorneys general has emerged as the strongest resistance to Donald Trump's conservative agenda, according to an article published by Bloomberg Businessweek.

## U.S. Investors Fight to Preserve SEC Rule on CEO Pay Ratio

### News

More than 100 unions, pension funds, activist investors, state treasurers and consumer advocacy groups urged the acting SEC commissioner not to delay the implementation of the rule, Reuters reports.

## Leon Cooperman Ordered to Trial in Insider-Trading Case

### News

A billionaire investor could face trial on allegations that he reaped more than \$4 million in illegal profits after conversations with a company insider, Bloomberg reports.

## U.S. Investor, CEO Groups Set for Lobbying Battle Over Proxy Challenges

### News

A major business trade group's request that the White House use its influence on the SEC to make it harder to get governance, political or environmental issues onto corporate ballots has a new opponent, Reuters reports.

# Texas May Face Federal Supervision After Judges' Ruling on Congressional Districts

### Insight

A Dallas attorney says Texas may have to ask for permission to change election laws after a panel of federal judges ruled the maps drawn for three congressional districts violate federal statutes, according to a post on the website of Androvett Legal Media & Marketing.

## The U.S. Tax Reform and the Energy Sector

### Insight

Reforms in the U.S. tax code proposed being considered in Congress could have significant implications for the energy industry in the U.S., and worldwide, according to an article published on the website of Hogan Lovells.

# Too Much Wine: Ex-BigLaw Partner's Insider Tip to Broker Leads to His Conviction

#### News

Robert Schulman of McLean, Va., was convicted of securities fraud and conspiracy charges. Post-trial defense motions are due April 14, reports Bloomberg Law.

## 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.