

No End in Sight for Business of ERISA Litigation

News

ERISA litigation continues to flourish thanks to veteran plaintiffs' attorneys refining their strategies, newcomers entering the ERISA arena using traditional arguments and lawsuits being filed against smaller plans.

Sutter Health's Request to Delay \$575 Million Settlement Is Denied

News

Despite citing the surge in coronavirus cases and economic fallout from the pandemic in California, Sutter Health failed to persuade a state judge on Thursday to delay the \$575 million settlement it reached last December over accusations of price gouging and monopolistic practices.

Watch Your Stipulation! Award Confirmed Despite Arbitrator

Exceeding Contractual Scope of Authority

Insights

Once parties agree to arbitrate, courts generally defer to the arbitrator's judgment regarding resolution of a dispute.

Lawyer Ignored Them for Three Years and Their \$2.8M Legal Malpractice Verdict Keeps Shrinking

News

The court opined that a \$1.1 million judgment for Vernon and Donyell Walters was too high and that the trial court will have to try to find a more appropriate figure.

US Attorney Bianca Forde Sues Cops for Wrongful Arrest in NYC

News

A federal prosecutor was wrongfully arrested when cops slapped

the cuffs on her for advising her boyfriend of his legal rights during a drunk-driving stop, a new lawsuit alleges.

Lawyer Who Told Client ‘I’m Done’ Faces \$300K Malpractice Ruling

News

A lawyer will stay on the hook for a \$300,000 malpractice verdict after walking out on a client who was unhappy with the way settlement talks in a divorce were going.

Lawyer Deaths and Series of Tornadoes Don’t Excuse Late Filing, Federal Judge Rules

News

The unexpected deaths of two lawyers and a series of tornadoes don’t excuse the late filing of an expert report on damages, a federal judge in Dallas has ruled.

Judges Slam J&J's 'Reprehensible' Talc Defense, Cut Massive 2018 Verdict to \$2.11B

News

An appeals court has reduced that award—but only to \$2.11 billion, thanks to J&J's 'outrageous' and 'reprehensible' defense of the product.

Judge Denies American Women's Soccer Immediate Appeal

News

A federal judge has denied a request by American women's soccer players to allow an immediate appeal of his decision to throw out their claim of unequal pay against the U.S. Soccer Federation.

Coalition of State Attorneys General Secures \$550M

Settlement with Subprime Auto Lender

News

“A coalition of 34 state attorneys general announced on May 19, 2020, that it had secured a settlement with one of the nation’s largest subprime auto financing companies for alleged violations of state consumer protection laws.

New Lawsuit Accuses DLA Piper Of ‘Strident Double-Dealing’

News

A new lawsuit filed in Kansas state court by propane supply company Ferrellgas Partners, an ex-client of Biglaw firm DLA Piper, alleges the firm engaged in ‘strident double-dealing’ that was only revealed when the wrong invoice was mistakenly sent to Ferrellgas.

Citing COVID, Sutter Pushes to Revisit \$575M Antitrust Settlement

News

Six months after agreeing to a \$575 million settlement in a

closely watched antitrust case filed by California Attorney General Xavier Becerra, Sutter Health has yet to pay a single dollar, and no operational changes have gone into effect.

WiLAN Issued Final Judgment Against Apple Totaling \$108.98 Million

News

Following a jury verdict win of \$85.23 million in a damages-only re-trial, the Court ruled on all post-trial motions and entered final judgment in favor of WiLAN, maintaining the full jury verdict and denying Apple's motions for retrial or lowering the damages award.

Faulty Jury Instruction Wipes Out \$740 Million Verdict

News

The Fourth Court of Appeals of Texas overturned a jury verdict awarding HouseCanary, Inc. ("HouseCanary") \$740 million in damages for trade secret theft and fraud against Title Source, Inc., now known as Amrock.

Gas Disaster Settlement Fees in Question

News

A total of \$26.1 million of the \$143 million Merrimack Valley gas explosion class-action settlement was earmarked for payment of legal fees and administrative costs.

Calls for Investigation into Arrests of Legal Observers at Las Vegas Strip Protest

News

Gov. Steve Sisolak on Sunday called for an investigation into the arrests of several legal observers at a protest against police brutality this weekend on the Strip.

Court Grants Judgment for TCPA Lawyer in Suit by

Aggrieved Consumer

News

The Law Offices of Jeffrey Lohman has faced some significant setbacks in litigation with Navient purporting that Lohman's office set up TCPA lawsuits in violation of RICO.

Court to Consider High-Stakes Tobacco Fight

News

Two decades after Florida reached a landmark legal settlement with tobacco companies, an appeals court is slated to hear arguments Tuesday in a dispute about more than \$100 million in payments.

Goldman Sachs Is Said to Try to Avoid Pleading Guilty in 1MDB Scandal

News

Lawyers for the bank have asked Deputy Attorney General Jeffrey Rosen to review demands by some federal prosecutors that Goldman pay more than \$2 billion in fines and plead guilty to a felony charge.

Appeals Court Overturns Record \$706M San Antonio Jury Verdict

News

A state appeals court Wednesday overturned a record \$706 million verdict rendered by a San Antonio jury more than two years ago.