Deal Protections and Remedies: A Study of Public Merger Agreements in 2016

Event, April 26, 1 p.m. EDT

Practical Law will discuss the survey results in a complimentary 60-minute webinar scheduled for April 26 at 1 p.m. EDT.

United Airlines Faces Rough Landing in Court If Passenger Sues

News

United CEO Oscar Munoz may have shot the company in the foot when he told the airline's employees on Monday that they "followed established procedures," according to *The Boston Herald*.

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.

On Trial for Bribery, Samsung Boss Lets Lawyers Do the Talking

News

The third-generation leader of South Korea’s top conglomerate was mostly silent at his first court appearance in what has been called the “trial of the century,” as his lawyers labored to portray him as an innocent bystander in a graft scandal, reports Reuters.

Who Should Be Smart About Smart Contracts?

Insight

Smart contracts are digitally signed promises, which are executed automatically by software code built on blockchain technology. But what are the features of smart contracts that

make them more suitable to some sectors than others?

Gardere Launches Legal Incubator to Provide Counsel for Emerging Businesses

News

The program includes participation from lawyers across multiple specialty areas, including intellectual property, labor and employment, tax and corporate, and provides startups access to seasoned legal counsel at a price that is scaled based on growth.

Class Actions: Lawyers Get Thousands, Plaintiffs Get Pennies and Pastries

News

Members in two class actions involving social media apps and doughnuts won’t be doing as well as the lawyers who represented them.

Connected Product Intensive: Regulatory Compliance and Risk Management Roundtable

Event, May 2-3, 2017, San Francisco

Keller and Heckman will produce a new seminar, “The Connected Product Intensive: A Framework for Regulatory Compliance and Risk Management,” May 2-3, 2017 in San Francisco, CA.

Thousands of Trump University Students Sign Up for Hefty Refunds

News

Plaintiffs claimed the university made false promises of riches and instant success. Trump fought the allegations for years but finally agreed to the deal, Bloomberg Law reports.

Court: Arbitration Agreement Included In Product Manual Is

Unenforceable

Insight

A recent ruling in a federal count stated that a contractual term, like an arbitration clause, is binding only when the terms are reasonably conspicuous, rather than in a manner that de-emphasizes its provisions.

Contracting Strategies Can Help Navigate Changing Environments

Insight

Regardless of the flavor of the technology being used, it can be very helpful to look to the contracting strategy that is required to meet the business objective, write Edward J. Hansen and Eric J. Pennesi of Morgan Lewis.

Madden Remand Muddles Contract Law: SDNY Decision or Sign of National Trend?

Insight

Madden is the latest decision to look past the contractual agreement of the parties to apply state usury and other

consumer protection requirements to consumer credit and collections activity, according to an article published by Paul Hastings LLP.

When Is a Mixed Insurance Contract a Maritime Contract?

Insight

Whether a mixed insurance contract (i.e., an insurance contract with maritime and non-maritime elements) permits the exercise of admiralty jurisdiction is a complicated question for parties and for the courts, according to a Montgomery McCracken Walker & Rhoads LLP alert.

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*.

The Importance of Clear Contract Terms

Insight

Care in contract drafting is a valuable way to avoid disputes, writes Michael Wilson in Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale's Construction Law Blog.

Intellectual Property Liability Considerations for M&A Transactions

Insight

Keli Johnson Swan of Scott & Scott LLP offers some insight on a few key considerations to negotiate during any corporate transaction.

Is Your Noncompete Agreement Enforceable?

Insight

Laws in many jurisdictions generally support reasonable noncompete agreements in employment, but other regulations limit restrictions on separated employees, says , warns David B. Ritter of Barnes & Thornburg in an interview with *SHRM*

Online.

Writing ‘Subject To Contract’ May or May Not be a Contract

Insight

If a so-called agreement is truly preliminary, in the sense that it does not evidence a fully-baked deal, with agreement on all the essential terms, it really isn’t an agreement at all, writes Glenn West in Weil’s Global Private Equity Watch.

German Authorities Raid Jones Day Offices in VW Emissions Inquiry

News

German prosecutors raided the offices of Jones Day, the American law firm hired to conduct an internal investigation of Volkswagen’s emissions fraud, the AP reports.

Reducing the Challenges of Cross-Border eDiscovery

Insight

Due to the nature of litigation, cross-border eDiscovery often places U.S. corporations in the tumultuous position of potentially violating foreign privacy laws, writes Greg Mitchell on the website of UnitedLex.