Judge Blocks $54 Billion Anthem-Cigna Health Insurance Merger

News

A federal judge blocked the $54 billion merger between health insurance giants Anthem and Cigna, saying the deal would increase prices and reduce competition, according to a report by *The Washington Post*.

Republican Plan Would Ease Wall St. Rules, As Party Embraces Deregulation

News

Hensarling’s plan would roll back Wall Street rules and consumer protections conceived after the 2008 financial crisis, a step that will largely define the financial deregulation debate in the Trump era, reports Reuters.

Jury Awards Ousted General

Counsel $8M

News

A federal jury awarded the former general counsel of BioRad Laboratories $8 million in back pay and damages – which will increase to $11 million – for whistleblower retaliation involving potential bribery in China, according to a Courthouse News article.

Akin Gump Lawyer Accused of Trying to Sell Lawsuit Under Seal

News

Jeffrey Wertkin immediately lost his job with Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP after he was picked up Jan. 31 in the lobby of a hotel in Cupertino, Californiaallegedly trying to collect $310,000 for selling the lawsuit.

Download: Bringing E-Discovery In House

Insight>

Zapproved has published a new white paper successfully transitioning from outsourced to in-house e-discovery.

Commercial Contract Risk in 2017

Insight

With international and domestic supply chain contracts, there is little or no room for error. according to an article posted by a team of lawyers at Foley & Lardner LLP.

Uber CEO to Leave Trump Advisory Council After Criticism

News

Uber CEO Travis Kalanick responded to an onslaught of criticism to his joining President Trump’s economic advisory council by resigning from the council on Thursday, reports *The New York Times*.

Invitation: General Counsel

to Discuss Cost Control

Event, Feb. 23, 3 p.m. CST

Bloomberg Big Law Business, in partnership with Catalyst, will convene corporate counsel to discuss the need to control rising legal costs particularly related to litigation at the complimentary event, Controlling Litigation Costs – Managing Your Legal Department for Success.

Management Needs to Own Core Programs

Insight

Management ownership of core programs is critical not just for maintaining effective governance practices but also in ensuring company business objectives and strategies are met.

NACD Webinar: How Progressive GC Use Board Evaluation

Event, March 23, 2 p.m. EST

The National Association of Corporate Directors will present a complimentary webinar discussing how progressive general counsel use the board evaluation process as a tool to effect positive change in the boardroom.

IRS Rolls Out New Compliance Campaigns for Large Businesses

News

The Internal Revenue Service's Large Business and International division is taking a new approach to tax compliance, with a series of 13 campaigns aimed at cracking down on tax evasion, reports Accounting Today.

GC from Major Companies Join NACD's First GC Steering Committee

News

The National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD), the advocate for the profession of directorship, announced the formation of its first-ever General Counsel Steering Committee.

Tech Industry Reacts to Trump's Order on Immigration With Fear and Frustration

News

Donald Trump's executive order Friday banning citizens of certain countries from entering the U.S. for 90 days blindsided the technology industry, reports *The Los Angeles Times*.

Download: 2017 Strategic E-Discovery Insights and Best Practices

Insight

Zapproved has published the proceedings catalog from the 2016 PREX, the premier conference for in-house e-discovery professionals. The catalog is available for free downloading.

Mark Zuckerberg, in Suit, Testifies in Oculus

Intellectual Property Trial

News

Mark Zuckerberg, chief executive of Facebook, testified Tuesday in a trial that could cost his company $2 billion if a federal jury in Dallas finds that a company bought by Facebook stole technology that eventually went into a virtual reality headset.

Takata to Pay $1 Bln to Settle U.S. Air Bag Probe – Sources

News

Sources told Reuters that the settlement will include $850 million to compensate automakers who have suffered losses from massive recalls.

Trial Lawyer Jay Old Joins Texas-based Hicks Thomas LLP

News

Veteran trial lawyer Jay Old has joined commercial litigation firm Hicks Thomas LLP where he will continue to represent construction, insurance, petrochemical and health care

companies as part of his client portfolio.

2017: An Evolving Landscape for Third Party Risk Management – Webinar

Event, Jan. 26, 1 p.m. EST

Navex Global will present a free webinar discussing how a new administration and anticipated enforcement and regulatory changes will impact third party due diligence programs.

Download: Eight Practices to Oversee Risk Effectively

Insight

The National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD) has published a complimentary executive summary of "Eight Key Practices for Overseeing Risk Management."

The Major Potential Impact of a Corporate Tax Overhaul

News

With the U.S. House, Senate and presidency all soon to be in Republican hands and with all agreeing that a major tax bill is a top priority, some kind of change to the American taxation system appears likely to happen, according to *The New York Times*.