China’s Huawei Files Patent Suits Against Samsung Over Smartphone Tech

News

Huawei Technologies sued Samsung Electronics on claims of infringement of smartphone patents, the Chinese firm’s first intellectual property challenge against the world’s top mobile maker, reports Reuters.

Americans and CEO Pay: 2016 Public Perception Survey on CEO Compensation

Article

The Rock Center for Corporate Governance at Stanford University recently conducted a nationwide survey of 1,202 individuals to understand public perception of CEO pay levels among the 500 largest publicly traded corporations.

America’s Top CEOs Pocket 340

Times More Than Average Workers

News

The top 500 chief executive officers in American companies earned 340 times the average worker's wage last year, taking home $12.4m on average, according to an analysis by the AFL-CIO, reports *The Guardian*.

Wal-Mart Wins Dismissal of Mexico Bribery Lawsuit

News

A Delaware judge has dismissed a lawsuit by Wal-Mart Stores Inc. shareholders who accused the board of the world's largest retailer of trying to cover up bribes paid by company executives in Mexico, according to a report by Reuters.

Foley Boosts Corporate Practice in Chicago

News

Foley & Lardner LLP announced that Lou Cohen and Elgie Sims Jr. have joined the firm's Business Law Department as of counsel in the Chicago office.

Top Hourly Rates for Some BigLaw Partners Have Reached $2K, Survey Finds

News

Some U.S. companies are now paying a top hourly rate of $2,000 to partners at the country's biggest law firms, according to a report on a survey released by BTI Consulting Group.

Survey Results: Toward a Value-Creating Board

Article

The amount of time board directors spend on their work and commit to strategy is rising, but in a new McKinsey Global Survey, few respondents rate their boards as effective at most tasks or report good feedback or training practices, according to an article on McKinsey's website.

Are Changes Afoot in the

Cablevision Legal Department?

News

Altice founder Patrick Drahi told Cablevision staff when the deal was first announced last year that he would seek to cut executives earning more than $300,000.

Analysis: Office Depot/Staples ‘Cluster’ Key to FTC Case

Analysis

Regulators fighting the merger plan of Office Depot and Staples face a decision from a judge that may hinge on the veracity of the government’s relevant product market, reports Policy and Regulatory Report, a Mergermarket Group company.

Exari Delivers Contract Risk Playbook for Senior Executives and Board Directors

Article

A new publication from Exari offers detailed guidance for

corporate boards and executives and assists in finding, assessing and minimizing contract risk.

Download: How to Ensure Organizational Resiliency

Article

A new article from NACD explores what directors think boards can do to ensure a company's survival – despite high rates of business failure.

Three Areas Where Boards Can Improve Performance

On-Demand Video

In a new on-demand video, TK Kerstetter, host of "Inside America's Boardrooms," reviews three areas where many boards can improve their performance and effectiveness.

At Facebook, Mark Zuckerberg

Moves to Tighten Gag on Shareholders – And No One Can Stop Him

News

A non-voting shareholder class will allow Mark Zuckerberg to pursue his dream of giving 99 percent of their shares to charity, without losing any of his voting control, according to a report in *The Los Angeles Times*.

Directors, Executives See Uncertainty, Volatility Threatening Corporate Strategy

Article

KPMG's latest Roundtable Series gathered over 1,200 corporate directors and senior executives across 17 cities to share their views on the board's role in calibrating strategy.

Big Law Business Diversity &

Inclusion: In-House Counsel Call to Action (Live NY Conference)

Event, May 3, 2:30 p.m. EDT

Bloomberg BNA will present a live conference titled Big Law Business Diversity & Inclusion Conference: A Call to Action, focusing on chief legal counsel and their corporate senior diversity officers as well as law firm managing partners.

How to Ensure Organizational Resiliency

Article

“How to Ensure Organizational Resiliency,” a featured article in the latest issue of NACD Directorship magazine, explores what directors think boards can do to ensure a company’s survival—despite high rates of business failure.

Are Today’s Corporate Directors More Personally

Liable?

On-Demand

Now more than ever, corporate directors are finding themselves named in lawsuits, says Katherine Henderson, veteran insurance board advisor and partner with Wilson Sonsini, in a video posted by Boardroom Resources LLC.

Creating Value From Long-Term Bets

Article

Longevity is particularly important for innovation because time and sustained investment are needed to solve really tough problems. To help explain why, he considers an example from the history of his company.

Former Reading Int’l GC Joins Akerman Los Angeles Office

News

Veteran real estate lawyer William “Bill” Ellis has joined Akerman LLP’s Los Angeles office as a partner in the Real Estate Practice Group.

Director Compensation Report: 2015-16 Executive Highlights

Annual Report

the report provides a comprehensive overview of non-employee-director pay practices across a wide range of industries and company sizes. The report also includes six leading practices for director compensation from the Report of the NACD Blue Ribbon Commission on Director Compensation.