

U.S. Justice Department Targets Executives in Wells Fargo Probe

News

Reuters is reporting that a U.S. Justice Department probe into a phony accounts scandal at Wells Fargo & Co. is asking whether executives hid details from the company board and regulators as the problem grew over years.

U.S. Extends Its Search for Dirty Money in Real Estate

News

The U.S. Treasury Department said it will extend its search for criminals who seek to launder money by buying U.S. real estate, according to a Reuters report.

Doctor Guilty of Felony for Botched Surgery; Prosecutors Said His Hands Were Deadly

Weapons

News

Christopher Duntsch of Colorado has been in jail since his arrest in July 2015, charged with five aggravated assault charges after four of his patients were maimed and two died, reports *The Dallas Morning News*.

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, California allegedly trying to collect \$310,000 for selling the lawsuit.

Former Assistant U.S. Attorney and SEC Enforcement Lawyer Joins Hinshaw

News

Former assistant U.S. attorney and SEC enforcement lawyer Ken Yeadon Joins Hinshaw in Chicago. Yeadon joins the firm's white

collar defense practice.

Attorney Says Case Against Dylann Roof Provides Prosecutors Some Insurance

Insight

Roof's decision to take the innocent lives of South Carolina citizens is deplorable, and the pursuit of the death penalty in state court is likely an effort to offset any potential success he may find during his federal appeal, says Dallas criminal defense attorney Nicole Knox.

Platinum Hedge Fund Executives Charged With \$1 Billion Fraud

News

The New York Times reports that federal agents arrested Mark Nordlicht, a founder and the chief investment officer of Platinum, and six others on charges related to an alleged \$1 billion fraud.

NY AG Warns Law Firms About Phishing Scam

News

The goal of such emails is to trigger the recipient to click a link or open an attachment through which the hacker can gain access to the server, according to a Bloomberg Law report.

FinCEN Issues Guidance on Cybersecurity

Insight

More guidance on cybersecurity requirements is available, this time an advisory from FinCEN to help financial institutions on their Bank Secrecy Act (BSA) obligations regarding cyber-events and cyber-enabled crime.

Florida Lawyer is Shot At His Office; Ex-Client Arrested

News

Real estate lawyer Larry Harshman, 54, was shot five times at his Florida law office. Harshman, who had drawn up paperwork

for a home the suspect was forced to sell short three years ago, underwent surgery and was recovering in a hospital,

Kilpatrick Townsend Partner is Shot and Killed Outside Home

News

James Gilliland was a partner at Kilpatrick Townsend and Stockton LLP in San Francisco, where he headed litigation from 2013 to 2015.

Lawyer Gets Prison Time After Stashing \$234K From Sorority

News

The sentence also calls for Jennifer Elizabeth Meehan, 40, to serve 18 months of home confinement and 40 months supervised probation, along with community service and participation in a mental health program, reports AL.com.

U.S.-Asia Cross Border White Collar Crime Series: Dec. 6 in NYC

Event, Dec. 6, 2016

The Innoxcell Annual Symposium – The US -Asia Cross Border White Collar Crime Series will be on Dec. 6, 2016, in New York at the Warwick New York Hotel.

Prominent N.J. Lawyer Charged With Stealing \$1.2m From Elderly Clients

News

Charges against Robert Novy of Novy & Associates in Manchester involve his handling of funds of some of his clients, state New Jersey Attorney General Christopher Porrino said.

Dallas Lawyer Was Spied on Before He Was Killed, Police

Suspected

News

Dallas police have released documents that detail evidence they've sought in the slaying of prominent attorney Ira Tobolowsky, according to a report by *The Dallas Morning News*.

DLA Piper Adds White-Collar Partner Matthew Graves in Washington, DC

News

Matthew Graves has joined DLA Piper's Litigation and White Collar practices as a partner in Washington, DC. Graves previously served as the acting chief of the Fraud and Public Corruption Section at the DC US Attorney's Office.

Backpage.com CEO, 2 Shareholders Charged in Trafficking Allegations

News

Backpage, the second-largest U.S. online classified ad service after Craigslist, has faced scrutiny from the U.S. Senate as well as civil lawsuits over allegations that the site

facilitates sex trafficking, especially of children, reports Dan Levine for Reuters.

Disbarred Lawyer Pleads Guilty in 'Gone Girl' Kidnapping Case

News

A California man, described as a Harvard-educated lawyer who was later disbarred, pleaded guilty Thursday in a federal court to an elaborate kidnapping that law enforcement had initially branded a hoax, reports NPR.

Houston Gunman Was a Good Lawyer, Former Law Partner Says

News

The Washington Post reports that Nathan DeSai was wearing military clothes and Nazi emblems during the attack, and was carrying nearly 2,600 rounds of ammunition inside a Porsche convertible parked at the scene.

How Ransomware Became a Billion-Dollar Nightmare for Businesses

News

The FBI says ransomware attacks cost their victims a total of \$209 million in the first three months of 2016, up from \$24 million in all of 2015. And the real number could be much higher if unreported attacks are considered, reports *The Atlantic*.