All 2016 Candidates Support Legal Weed – Sort Of

News

Now that Marco Rubio is out of the race, for the first time in U.S. political history, every presidential candidate – of both parties – supports at least states' rights to do as they please with regard to marijuana legalization, according to a report in *Rolling Stone*.

Ted Cruz's Call to 'Secure' Muslim Neighborhoods Stirs a Backlash

News

GOP presidential candiate Senator Ted Cruz angered American Muslims on Tuesday with a call to "patrol and secure Muslim neighborhoods" in the wake of the terrorist attacks in Brussels, reports *The New York Times*.

Bill Cosby's Lawyer Raised Campaign Funds for DA Who

Didn’t Prosecute the Comedian

News

Bill Cosby’s criminal defense lawyer has admitted he hosted a fundraiser for a key witness in the comedian’s ongoing court battle in Pennsylvania, reports LawNewz. But it wasn’t illegal or shady in context, he claimed in court documents.

Why a Case Against Trump for Inciting Violence Would Be Very Hard to Prove

Article

Under the First Amendment, an effort to prosecute a politician on charge of inciting a riot would be an uphill battle.

Trump Won’t Face Inciting a Riot Charges for North Carolina Rally

News

ABC News is reporting that Donald Trump and his campaign are not expected to face inciting a riot charges in connection with a violent incident at a rally in Fayetteville, NC.

Austin Lawyer Headed to Prison for Aiding Stock Scammer

News

According to witnesses, Patrick Lanier traveled to Mexico to provide legal counsel for his fugitive client under several of the client's various false names.

Donald Trump's Rallies Are Becoming Increasingly Violent

News

Incidents have occurred in Georgia, in Louisville, and at a rally in Las Vegas where Trump said that he'd like to punch one protester in the face, reminiscing about the "good old days" when agitators would be carried out on a stretcher.

Hillary Clinton Says She

Won’t Be Indicted Over Emails. Is That Right?

News

A report by *Christian Science Monitor* staff writer Peter Grier addresses the question: Is Clinton right to be so dismissive of the possibility of being indicted?

Apple’s Angry Response to the Department of Justice: A ‘Cheap Shot’ That’s ‘Intended to Smear the Other Side’

News

The U.S. Department of Justice filed a legal response on Thursday to Apple’s refusal to help the FBI unlock an iPhone used by one of the San Bernardino shooters, and Apple quickly responded, with general counsel Bruce Sewell delivering a tense and angry response in a conference call with reporters, reports *Business Insider*.

Prominent Long Island Lawyer

Accused Of Pocketing $200,000 In Client Funds

News

Steven Morelli, reported tolive in Manhasset and to own a home in Manhattan, is accused of pocketing settlement money meant for his clients, some of whom say they've been waiting for their payouts for more than a year.

Apple Lawyer, FBI Director Face Off in Congress on iPhone Encryption

News

FBI Director James Comey told a congressional panel that a ruling forcing Apple Inc. to give the FBI data from an iPhone used by one of the San Bernardino shooters would be "potentially precedential" in other cases, a change from his earlier statements.

Ex-Chesapeake CEO Aubrey McClendon Indicted Over Lease

Bid Rigging

News

Aubrey McClendon, the co-founder and former chief executive officer of Chesapeake Energy Corp., was indicted on charges that he conspired to rig bids for the purchase of oil and natural gas leases in northwest Oklahoma, reports Bloomberg.

Judge Sanctions Attorneys for 'Intentionally Misleading Conduct'

NEWS

A King County, Washington, judge has sanctioned two attorneys hired by Pierce County Prosecutor Mark Lindquist's office, citing their "intentionally misleading conduct" during a long-running lawsuit, according to a report in the *Tacoma News Tribune*.

New York State Lawyer Pleads Guilty in $1.4M Scam

NEWS

Michael Lippman pleaded guilty on Monday to felony counts of second-degree grand larceny, second-degree criminal tax fraud

and first-degree scheme to defraud.

Florida Lawyer, Arrested on Child Porn Charges, Accused of Abusing Minors

NEWS

A Broward County, Florida, lawyer, arrested on federal child porn charges, is also accused of abusing two underage girls, according to court records, according to a report from the Sun Sentinel.

DOJ to Soon Issue Sample Questions on Corporate Compliance

Article

The Department of Justice plans to release a set of questions in the coming weeks that companies implicated in wrongdoing can expect to be asked by investigators concerning their compliance programs, reports Bloomberg BNA.

VimpelCom to Pay $795 Million to Settle U.S. Bribery Claims

NEWS

More than $114 million in bribes, according to federal prosecutors, was funneled to the Uzbek official during a six-year period by the firm, which issues publicly-traded securities in the U.S. The companies concealed the bribes through various payments to a shell company.

Ransomware Takes Hollywood Hospital Offline, $3.6M Demanded by Attackers

NEWS

The computers at Hollywood Presbyterian Medical Center have been down for more than a week as the Southern California hospital works to recover from a Ransomware attack, reports CSO.

SEC Will Only Target Directors in Egregious Cases

NEWS

An SEC official sought to allay concerns voiced by

corporations and their lawyers about the SEC enforcement cases against corporate directors and other gatekeepers, such as compliance officers, who may try to fix compliance problems and find themselves entangled in an agency investigation

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Former GC Gets 18 Months for Stealing $2.6m From Company Account

NEWS

The former in-house counsel of an Ocean County, New Jersey-based home health care company was sentenced Thursday to 18 months in prison for using his attorney trust account to steal more than $2.6 million from his employer.