Trump Lawyers Urge Supreme Court to Rule for Colorado Cake Maker Who Turned Away Gay Couple

News

The brief filed Thursday is likely to bolster the cake maker's case, and is in line President Trump's repeated promises to protect "religious liberty," according to *The Los Angeles Times*.

CEOs See a 'Sad Day' After Trump's DACA Decision

News

Timothy D. Cook, Apple's chief executive, tweeted that his company would fight for the people affected by Trump's action to be "treated as equals."

DOJ Investigating Whether Uber Violated Foreign-Bribery

Laws

News

The privately-held ride-hailing giant is being investigated for possibly violating the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, reports Business Insider.

VW Engineer Sentenced to 40-Month Prison Term in Diesel Case

News

A federal judge in Detroit sentenced former engineer James Liang to 40 months in prison for his role in Volkswagen AG's multiyear scheme to sell diesel cars that generated more pollution than U.S. clean air rules allowed, Reuters is reporting.

Mueller Uses Classic Prosecution Playbook Despite Trump Warnings

News

Bloomberg Law describes how special counsel Robert Mueller is following a time-tried strategy for looking into the Trump

campaign’s possible ties to Russia

Stays of Contract Award and Performance

Insight

An article in the Government Contracts Insights blog on the website of Morrison Foerster discusses stays of award and performance during the pendency of a bid protest.

Mueller, Several Team Members Gave Up Million-Dollar Jobs to Work on Special Counsel Investigation

News

Robert S. Mueller and other former WilmerHale lawyers who left the firm to work on the Russia investigation left behind incomes ranging as high as $5.8 million, according to *The Washington Post*.

Trump’s Real Personnel Victory: More Conservative Judges

News

While the public watches President Trump churn through White House staff members, his Administration is humming along nicely in filling federal judgeships, with the enthusiastic assistance of the Republican majority in the Senate, points out Jeffrey Toobin in *The New Yorker*.

Could State Subsidies for Renewable Energy Face Legal Challenges?

Insight

The latest developments in federal courts indicate that state subsidies for renewable energy, including renewable-energy portfolio standards and mandated procurement programs, are safe from challenges, at least for now, according to an O’Melveny & Myers article.

PwC to Pay $1 Mln to Settle Merrill Lynch Audit Complaint

News

Reuters is reporting that accounting company PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP will pay $1 million to settle a civil complaint alleging it conducted a flawed audit into Merrill Lynch's compliance with federal brokerage customer protection rules.

New U.S. Rule on Class Actions Survives First Challenge

News

Reuters reports that the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau's rule abolishing "mandatory arbitration clauses" was released on July 10, and was immediately threatened by Republicans in Congress and President Donald Trump's administration

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Once Again, Trump DOJ Busts

Convention, Splits Government in High-Profile Employment Case

News

The case of Donald Zarda, a skydiver who claimed his employer violated Title VII when it fired him after finding out he was gay, illustrates how the U.S. Department of Justice and the Equal Opportunity Commission can sometimes operate at cross purposes in litigation.

BLM Proposes Rescission of 2015 Hydraulic Fracturing Rule

News

The Bureau of Land Management has announced its recommendation that the hydraulic fracturing rule from 2015 entitled, “Oil and Gas; Hydraulic Fracturing on Federal and Indian Lands,” be rescinded, reports Fox Rothschild.

Pharmaceutical Company

Celgene Settles Suit for $280 Million

News

The agreement, announced by federal prosecutors, came out of a lawsuit filed by a former Celgene saleswoman who said Celgene submitted false claims to Medicare and health care programs in 28 states and Washington, D.C.

Can the President Be Indicted? A Long-Hidden Legal Memo Says Yes

News

The New York Times reports that the 56-page memo amounts to the most thorough government-commissioned analysis rejecting a generally held view that presidents are immune from prosecution while in office.

Disgraced Fugitive Lawyer Sentenced in Absentia to 12

Years in Prison

News

The conspiracy included using false evidence of clients' physical or mental disabilities in their claims, paying doctors to sign forms with little scrutiny, and bribing a Social Security judge, reports the *Lexington Herald-Leader*.

Trump Lawyer Marc Kasowitz to Critic: 'Watch Your Back. . . . I Already Know Where You Live

News

President Trump's longtime attorney representing him in the Russia investigations, reportedly sent angry, threatening and profane emails to a stranger who criticized him this week, reports *The Washington Post*.

Trump Faces Obstacles in Bid to Re-Shape Key U.S. Courts

News

Some of the courts best placed to thwart Trump's agenda have liberal majorities that are likely to stay in place in the

short-term, according to Reuters.

‘No One’s Minion’ – Colleague Says Steady Hand, Moral Compass Mark FBI Nominee’s Career

News

Former high level Justice Department lawyer Bill Mateja says his former colleague is ideally suited to weather the turbulent and politically charged approval process, according to a post on the website of Androvett Legal Media & Marketing.

Tillerson in Focus as Exxon Investigation Intensifies

News

Schneiderman’s office considers the nation’s chief diplomat a central figure in a case that pits the ambitious Democrat against a Texas energy giant and has divided attorneys general nationwide, reports JWN.