

# The Litigation Storm Around President Trump

## *News*

Cities, states, members of Congress, and watchdog groups are suing the president for a variety of claims, according to Bloomberg.

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# Making Your Law Firm Media Savvy from Top to Bottom

## *Insight*

President Donald Trump's complaints about anonymous media sources and unauthorized White House news leaks are symptoms of a lack of planning that offers an important lesson in crisis communications for law firms, writes Bruce Vincent of Muse Communications.

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# Energy Department Seeks Input on Regulatory Reform

## *News*

This is part of a government-wide initiative to overhaul the federal government's regulatory regime, set in motion with an executive order signed by President Trump, reports K&L Gates.

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# Emoluments Clause Lawsuits Could Expose Trump Tax Filings

## *News*

Trump's refusal to divest himself of his business empire led to the suits, partly based on the use of Trump International Hotel in Washington by representatives of foreign governments, according to Bloomberg Businessweek.

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# More States Likely to Sue over Opioid Epidemic

## *Insight*

States will be very tempted by the significant potential damages that may be awarded in court to try to recoup some of the costs of treatment, says Kent Sullivan of Jackson Walker LLP.

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# Industry Lawyers Were Granted

# Ethics Waivers to Work in Trump Administration

## **News**

Documents released this week reveal that lawyers, lobbyists and industry executives who can now shape policies benefiting their former clients and companies have been allowed to work in the Trump administration, even with the president's vow to "drain the swamp" of influence peddling, reports *The New York Times*.

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# White-Collar Lawyers See Opportunity in Trump Scandals

## **News**

Politico reports that the Russia investigations are bad news for President Donald Trump, but they're a blessing for white-collar lawyers and crisis consultants whose careers are primed to take off as the criminal probes unfold.

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# Client of Disgraced Lawyer: 'Everybody Knew He Would Run'

## **News**

Disability attorney Eric Connd had told at least six people he

would flee the country instead of going to jail and now he has kept his promise, reports the Associated Press.

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## **Big Law Attorneys Think Twice About Trump Labor Gig**

### **News**

The search for political appointees to the DOL appears to be impeded by a shrinking pool of private attorneys willing to incur a lifelong Trump association, according to Bloomberg Law.

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## **CVS's Omnicare to Pay \$23 Million to Resolve U.S. Kickback Case**

### **News**

Reuters is reporting CVS Health Corp's Omnicare unit has agreed to pay \$23 million to resolve a whistleblower lawsuit alleging that it took kickbacks from a drugmaker to promote two antidepressants, according to settlement papers.

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# **Bradley Partner Paul Compton to be Nominated to Serve as U.S. HUD General Counsel**

## **News**

Paul Compton currently serves as leader of Bradley's Affordable Housing and Community Development practice, a member of the firm's Banking & Financial Services group and Chair of the firm's Finance Committee.

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# **DOJ Threatens Immigration Rights Lawyers, Demands They Drop Their Clients**

## **News**

In a letter last month, the Justice Department told the group it must 'cease and desist' providing certain legal assistance to immigrants unless it undertakes full representation of them in court. according to *The Seattle Times*.

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# **Congressman Targets Assistant**

# General Counsel Over Political Activism

## *News*

The assistant general counsel of a New Jersey-based bank company says she found herself in a touchy situation after a U.S. Congressman complained to her employer about her activism that targeted the lawmaker.

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# Little Survey Reveals Employers Caught in a Tangled Web of Federal, State and Local Laws

## *Insight*

Little's sixth annual survey of more than 1,200 employers finds growing uncertainty as a new administration and various technological and social changes reshape the workplace,

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# Lawyer Says Texas Law Banning 'Sanctuary Cities' Has

# Serious Problems

# Constitutional

## *News*

A trial and appellate lawyer says a recently passed Texas “sanctuary cities” ban set to take effect Sept. 1 is vulnerable to a Constitutional challenge.

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# U.S. Accuses UnitedHealth of Medicare Advantage Fraud

## *News*

The accusation against the company is the latest, following separate lawsuits in two separate whistleblower lawsuits against the country’s largest health insurer, reports Reuters.

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# The Nation’s First Legislative Fracking Ban Is on the Books

## *Podcast*

In an episode of Kane Russell Coleman Logan’s energy law podcast, director Tom Ciarlone discusses the nation’s first legislative fracking ban.

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# Trump's Losing Streak in Courts Is Traceable to Conservative Judges

## **News**

The Trump administration's losing streak in courts around the nation has in large part been a product of precedents established by conservative judges in the Obama era, reports *The New York Times*.

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# EPA Announces Methane Rule Reconsideration, Adding to List of Obama-Era Rules Under Review

## **News**

Authors Whit Swift and Brittany Pemberton write that the Methane Rule applies to oil and gas facilities for which construction, modification, or reconstruction started after September 18, 2015.

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# The SEC Doesn't Like Your Employment Agreements

## *Insight*

Companies should examine their employment agreements to ensure compliance with the SEC's Rule 21F-17, writes Evan Gibbs for Above the Law.