Obama Signs Trade Secrets Bill, Allowing Companies to Sue

News

“Unfortunately, all too often, some of our competitors, instead of competing with us fairly, are trying to steal these trade secrets from American companies, and that means a loss of American jobs, a loss of American markets, a loss of American leadership,” President Obama said.

Liberty Reserve Head Sentenced to 20 Years in Prison

News

A federal judge sentenced the leader of digital currency company Liberty Reserve to 20 years in prison for running a global money-laundering scheme that prosecutors said was unprecedented in size and scope, reports Reuters.

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.

Former Assistant Director and Deputy GC of CFPB, Joins Stroock in Washington

News

Quyen Truong, former assistant director and deputy general counsel of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB), has joined Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP as a partner in the firm’s Washington, DC office.

A Leak Wounded This Company. Fighting the Feds Finished It

Off

NEWS

LabMD’s future changed one day in 2008 when the company’s general manager received a phone call from a man who claimed to be in possession of a file containing patient information, including more than 9,000 Social Security numbers, reports Bloomberg.

Former Sprint Executives Sue U.S. for Allegedly Hiding EY Probe

News

The suit involves a 2002 Internal Revenue Service investigation into Ernst & Young’s promotion of tax shelters to its clients, including the two executives and settled the audit with EY in July 2003, without informing the executives, the lawsuit said.

Blood-Testing Company Theranos Is Subject of

Criminal Probe by U.S.

News

Federal prosecutors have launched a criminal investigation into whether Theranos Inc. misled investors about the state of its technology and operations, according to people familiar with the matter, *The Wall Street Journal* is reporting.

Schiff Hardin Adds Financial Services Investigations Partner in D.C.

News

Michael J. Rivera has joined Schiff Hardin LLP as a partner in the Financial Markets and Products Group.

Jones Day Doubles Down On Donald Trump

News

Donald Trump has made another new significant hire as he prepares for the possibility of a contested convention, bringing William McGinley, a prominent Republican political attorney and a veteran of past delegate battles, into his campaign, reports Politico.

Legal Group Poised to Quiz Clinton Aides About Email Server

News

The State Department has agreed to a conservative legal group’s request to question several current and former government officials about the creation of Hillary Clinton’s private email system, reports the Associated Press.

U.S. State Prosecutors Met With Climate Groups As Exxon Probes Expanded

News

A coalition of U.S. state attorneys general received guidance from well-known climate scientists and environmental lawyers in March as some of them opened investigations into Exxon Mobil for allegedly misleading the public about climate change risks, documents seen by Reuters showed, Reuters is reporting.

The Department of Labor Issues Final Fiduciary Rules

Article

The final fiduciary rule amends and expands the definition of a fiduciary that provides “investment advice” to reflect changes in the financial industry and the state of investment advice as it exists today.

Microsoft Sues Feds, Challenging Gag Orders on Customer-Data Seizures

News

Microsoft sued the U.S. government Thursday, arguing that a law that can prohibit technology companies from telling customers when law enforcement comes looking for their data is unconstitutional, reports *The Seattle Times*.

Trump’s Own Beltway Establishment Guy: The

Curious Journey of Jones Day’s Don McGahn

News

Donald Trump’s campaign lawyer, Donald F. McGahn II, the former chairman of the Federal Election Commission and a partner in Jones Day, will be instrumental in helping the candidate navigate the labyrinthine delegate and convention rules as the Republican presidential nomination fight enters the home stretch.

Abbott Wins in $1 Billion Trial Over Marketing of Stents

News

Abbott Laboratories didn’t cause medical providers to submit false payment claims to Medicare for unapproved stents, a Texas jury ruled, thwarting a whistle-blower’s lawsuit seeking as much as $1 billion, reports Bloomberg.

Justice Department Sues to

Block Merger of Halliburton and Baker Hughes

News

The Justice Department has sued to stop Halliburton Co. from acquiring oilfield services rival Baker Hughes, the Associated Press and CNBC are reporting.

CFTC Issues $10M Whistleblower Award

News

Awards like this one show whistleblowers that blowing the whistle is worth the risk, and will go a long way toward solidifying the CFTC Whistleblower Program," said Lisa J. Banks a partner in Katz, Marshall & Banks.

The 10 FBI Questions That Could End Clinton's White House Dreams

Commentary

The FBI's upcoming interview of Hillary Clinton will be a turning point in the race for Democratic nominee, especially since Clinton won't be able to speak to FBI director James

Comey and his agents in the same manner her campaign has communicated with the public, writes H.A. Goodman in the Huffington Post.

Exxxotica: Dallas Officials Knew What They Were Getting When They Approved Porn Expo

News

Just days after the city of Dallas filed an R-rated defense of the City Council's vote to ban Exxxotica from the city-owned convention center, the porn expo has fired back that Dallas officials knew exactly what they were getting when they took the porn expo's $28,080 last year, reports *The Dallas Morning News*.

Day Pitney and Cohen Seglias Create Collaborative Team for Title IX Investigations

News

Day Pitney LLP and Cohen Seglias Pallas Greenhall & Furman PC have launched a joint Title IX Investigations Initiative designed to allow the firms to provide clients greater services in the wake of a growing number of Title IX

investigations.