Ex-FCPA Prosecutor Returns to Foley's Litigation Department in D.C.

News

Foley & Lardner LLP announced that former federal prosecutor Rohan Virginkar is returning to the firm as a partner in its Government Enforcement, Compliance & White Collar Defense Practice.

Firm Wants Former Employee's Millions From Recent Settlement; 'Absurd,' He Replies

News

Forbes tells the story of a plaintiffs lawyer whose former firm wants nearly all of his $2.45 million in fees from a settlement he worked on for 13 years, even though he resigned from the firm in 2004.

Making the Most of Top Lawyer Lists

Insight

The glut of top lawyer lists and top law firm rankings makes it difficult to determine which of them mean anything at all, writes Bruce Vincent of Muse Communications.

Bailey Brauer Ranked Among Top Firms in U.S. for Client Relationships

News

Dallas-based litigation boutique Bailey Brauer PLLC has been selected to BTI Consulting Group’s 2017 ranking of the top 10 law firms in the country with the best client relationships within the consumer goods industry.

Top Biglaw Firm Offers Signing Bonuses to Summer Associates

News

Above the Law reports that Andrews Kurth has offered a $3,500

bonus to their outgoing 1L summer associates if they accept their offers to return to the firm for their 2L summers within two weeks.

Microsoft Announces Plans to Nearly Phase Out Billable Hour

News

Bloomberg Law reports that Microsoft hopes to shift 90 percent of its legal work into alternative fee arrangements within two years – in an effort to move away from the billable hour.

LinkedIn is Boring – But Lawyers Should Be There Anyway

Insight

Amy Boardman Hunt of Muse Communications some helpful tips for maximizing your LinkedIn presence in a low-maintenance way.

The Biglaw Firms That General Counsel Absolutely Adore

News

An Above the Law review of a BTI Power Rankings report reports that only 33 percent of general counsel find themselves in a state of “clientopia” with their go-to law firms.

The Lawyer, the Addict

News

In a *New York Times* article, the ex-wife of a high-powered Silicon Valley lawyer looks back at the decline and eventual death of her ex-husband — a death caused by a drug addiction that no one else had seen slowly changing his life.

The Marketing Appeal of #AppellateTwitter

Insight

Christina DePinto of Muse Communications discusses the creation of a hashtag that captures a certain zeitgeist — benefiting a law firm looking for a marketing boost.

Participation Requested: 2nd Annual Law Firm Benchmarking Report

Survey

Exterro is conducting its 2nd Annual Law Firm Benchmarking Survey on law firms' legal processes, specifically relating to project management practices and e-discovery services.

Spat Between Lawyers Over Mocking Ad Lands in Federal Court

News

A Baton Rouge lawyer accuses another lawyer of trademark infringement and misappropriation of identity. The suit seeks monetary damages.

Merger With Norton Rose Means

No More Chadbourne & Parke

News

Above the Law reports that the combined firm, which will operate under the Norton Rose Fulbright name, has about 1,000 lawyers in the U.S. , with roughly 300 of them in New York City alone.

Class Action Accuses Steptoe & Johnson of Gender Bias

News

Ji-In Houck of Los Angeles says her starting pay at the firm as a contract attorney was barely half the $165,000 that inexperienced male lawyers made – though she had experience in civil litigation.

Vault Releases List: Top 100 Law Firms for Prestige for 2018

News

Vault based its ranking on scores from nearly 18,000 law firm associates surveyed earlier this year, who were asked to rate law firms on a scale of 1 to 10 based on prestige.

International Association of Defense Counsel Publishes Defense Counsel Journal Spring 2017 Edition

Insight

The International Association of Defense Counsel has published the spring 2017 edition of its Defense Counsel Journal, which is available for free to non-IADC members via the IADC website.

Bored by $1,000-an-Hour Pay, a Lawyer Hunts Wall Street Scores

News

Bloomberg Law profiles lawyer Dan Brockett, who ditched a job representing the world's biggest banks for $1,000 an hour, and started earning his keep by suing the very companies that used to pay his bills – working on a contingency.

GC Requires Outside Law Firms to Encrypt Communications

News

Marsh & McLennan Companies' GC now requires the company's biggest outside law firms to use an anti-hacking electronic communication technology known as Transport Layer Security, according to a report from Bloomberg Law.

Hogan Lovells Combines with Collora, Adding Boston Office

News

Global law firm Hogan Lovells is joining the Boston market through a combination with Collora as of September 1, 2017.

How to Make the Case for a Smaller Law Firm to Your Board

Insight

With a smaller law firm, seasoned attorneys are the norm, rather than the associates who typically handle day-to-day business for the big law firms, writes Norm Finkel of Schoenberg, Finkel, Newman and Rosenberg, LLC.