Financial Tug-Of-War Emerges Over California Fire Victims' Settlement

News

The settlement leaves open just how much would be used to compensate victims, their lawyers and federal and state agencies for the money they spent on rescue and recovery operations.

Suit Claims Biglaw Firm Took Over Corporate Client's Finances and Took Advantage of Its Impaired CEO

News

The suit, filed in state court in New York, says Akin Gump took over finances and bookkeeping for Future Media Architects, a family-owned company.

Sullivan & Cromwell Sued for

Malpractice by Ex-Skadden Attorney

News

The plaintiff, Andrew Delaney, claims that Sullivan & Cromwell acted “unlawfully” and “unethically” in the international arbitration matter.

Does a No-Damage-for-Delay Clause Also Preclude Acceleration Damages?

News

Courts are split as to whether damages for a contractor’s “acceleration” efforts are distinguishable from “delay” damages such that they may be recovered under an enforceable no-damage-for-delay clause.

From Guns to Hemp to Immigration: Texas’ Top Legal Stories of 2019

News

Texas legal news in 2019 reflected the debates and court

disputes being heard all across the country, according to this year’s list of Top 10 stories highlighted by Androvett Legal Media & Marketing.

Eighth Circuit Rejects Claim That Arbitration Clause in Retainer Was Unconscionable

News

The Eight Circuit has rejected a plaintiff’s claim that an arbitration clause in a retainer agreement she signed with a law firm was unconscionable, according to Carlton Fields.

Aldous\Walker Earns Elite Trial Lawyers Finalist Honors for 2020

News

American Lawyer Media and The National Trial Lawyers have named the Aldous\Walker law firm a finalist for a 2020 Elite Trial Lawyers Law Firm of the Year honor.

NYC Litigation Boutique Sued for ‘Absurd’ Fees

News

Plaintiffs claim the firm charged “almost $1.9 million over a three year period, without engaging in any discovery, or document collection, whatsoever.”

University of Phoenix Reaches Landmark Agreement to Forgive Student Loans

News

The university will pay $191 million, of which $141 million will be used to forgive some student loans for certain borrowers who attended the university.

The Importance of a Forum Selection Clause

Insight

Courts tend to enforce forum selection clauses unless there is a compelling showing of prejudice to the party opposing the agreed-upon forum.

A Contractual Non-Disparagement Provision May Violate the National Labor Relations Act

Insight

Employers may prohibit illegal conduct, such as defamation, but prohibiting disparagement generally of the employer, management or policies is inappropriate.

Divided Virginia Federal Court Hears Trump Emoluments Case

News

The hearing marks the first time that a full appellate court has considered the emoluments or anticorruption clauses of the Constitution.

Lawyer’s Heart Attack One Day Before Raise Doesn’t Cut Benefits

News

Harlan Ten Pas, a former partner with McGladrey LLP, is entitled to disability benefits based on his annual salary of $390,000, which became effective one day after he suffered a heart attack over Labor Day weekend.

Former GC Sues for $300K in Canceled Bonuses; Agency Countersues, Alleging Fraud

News

The former general counsel claims he negotiated for the bonuses in exchange for keeping his base salary lower.

Sanctions Motion By BigLaw Firm Alleges Plaintiffs Made

Up Pay-Bias Claims ‘Out of Whole Cloth’

News

The firm alleges in the sanctions motion that the plaintiffs made up the lawsuit’s pay-bias claims and seeks their dismissal.

How Amazon Dodges Responsibility for Unsafe Products: The Case of the Hoverboard

News

The cases are testing a longtime argument made by Amazon and other internet companies, one that underpins the modern tech industry.

Forum Selection Clause Gone Wrong, and Indemnification

Woes

Insight

Lewitt Hackman discusses two recent cases concerning franchise agreements, one involving a forum selection clause and the other covering indemnification.

Trump Fills Longest-Standing Vacancy in Federal Judiciary

News

Multiple presidents struggled to fill the vacancy in North Carolina over the course of 14 years.

Hinshaw Adds Products Liability Attorney to Chicago Office

News

Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP announced that Jordan D. Shea has joined the firm as a partner in the Product Liability practice in Chicago.

Law Firms Face $500M Lawsuit in Fallout of Ponzi Fraudster’s Conviction

News

Nine law firms face civil claims they aided and abetted a multimillion-dollar securities scam run by convicted fraudster Robert Shapiro.