Proving Liability in Las Vegas Shooting Could be Challenging

News

Despite the reported size of the killer's estate, given the large number of potential claims related to the horrific injuries and deaths he caused, the chance that any particular victim will be justly compensated from the estate does not appear to be likely, says Dallas attorney Timothy Zeiger.

Construction Contracts, Third Party Claims and Tort Law Liability

Insight

Carl R. Pebworth, a partner in Faegre Baker Daniels, asks and answers the question: What tort obligations does a design professional on a construction project owe to non-parties – like, for example, the persons who will use what has been designed after it is built?

J&J Blames Jury Misconduct for $417 Million Talc Verdict

News

Johnson & Johnson said a $417 million verdict in a talc powder cancer case should be thrown out because three jurors were excluded by fellow panelists from the decision-making process, reports Bloomberg Technology.

Patent Suit Filings Plunge in East Texas Following Supreme Court Ruling

News

New lawsuits are down – way down – in the mostly rural district that was once the national hotspot for patent disputes, reports Ars Technica, citing a study by IP litigation research company Lex Machina.

Lessons Learned: Vendor Sued in Class Action Suit for

Security Misses

Insight

A recent federal class action suit filed in Pennsylvania against Aetna and its vendor illustrates several new privacy and security considerations for vendors and their customers, writes Eric Begun of King & Fisher.

Amy Rudd Joins DLA Piper's Litigation Practice as Partner in Austin

News

Amy Rudd has joined DLA Piper's Litigation practice as partner in the Austin office, the firm announced.

Las Vegas Firm Files Lawsuit Against Bump Stock Manufacturer

News

Eglet Prince law firm filed the 30-page suit in state district court, citing claims of negligence, infliction of emotional distress, products liability and public nuisance, according to the *Las Vegas Review-Journal*.

Fox News’ General Counsel, Under Legal Siege, Takes Leave From Network

News

Dianne Brandi could prove to be a key figure in a federal investigation because of her long and close association with Roger Ailes, who was ousted from Fox last year amid harassment allegations, reports *The Washington Post*.

Dallas Attorney Clayton Bailey Named Benchmark Litigation Star

News

Trial and appellate attorney Clayton Bailey of Dallas has earned recognition for a fourth consecutive year as a “Local Litigation Star” in the Benchmark Litigation guide to the nation’s top lawyers.

Yes, Overtime Laws Apply To Law Firms

News

A pair of lawsuits allege two Florida law firms failed to pay administrative workers proper overtime wages in compliance with the Fair Labor Standard Act, reports Above the Law.

‘It Will Be Momentous’: Supreme Court Embarking on New Term

News

When the Supreme Court convenes for a new term Monday, it will face of docket that includes controversial cases involving voting rights, religious liberty, protection from discrimination, and privacy in an increasingly monitored society, reports *The Washington Post*.

Litigating Climate Change: An Overview of Suits Against the

Oil and Gas Industry

Event, Oct. 18, 2017, 1 p.m. EDT

The Institute for Energy Law will present a webinar discussing the various climate change-based lawsuits and current trends in climate change litigation.

Are Noncompetes With Independent Contractors Enforceable?

Insight

An article on the website of Fisher & Phillips discusses the question: Will a noncompetition agreement be enforceable against the independent contractor?

WilmerHale Acciddentally Sent Whistleblower Docs to *Wall Street Journal*

News

Above the Law recounts the story of how the memo, discussing a subpoena whistelblower/GC Maura Smith received, was sent to a group of lawyers – and the Journal.

Just Released: New E-Discovery Meet & Confer Checklist

Insight

Exterro has released a new guide titled “Rule 26(f) Meet & Confer Checklist: How to Be Prepared.”

Energy Contract Lawsuits Expected to Jump in Harvey’s Wake

News

Lawyers expect a spate of force majeure contract lawsuits after Hurricane Harvey tore through Southeast Texas and parts of Louisiana last month, paralyzing a fifth of U.S. fuel output and pushing some oil production offline, Reuters reports.

Trump’s Impact Felt in Supreme Court Labor Rights Cases

News

When the Supreme Court opens its 2017 term on the first Monday in October, its very first cases will serve as a stark reminder of why elections matter, predicts *USA Today*.

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3 E-Discovery Attitudes and How They Influence Behaviors, Processes And Priorities

Insight

The Zapproved report summarizes the common attitudes held by e-discovery executives – and how those beliefs are influencing behaviors, processes and priorities.

Dallas Trial Lawyer David Elrod Joins Shackelford,

Bowen, McKinley & Norton

News

Also joining Shackelford are partner Worthy Walker, of counsel Barbara Wohlrabe and associate Hayley Ellison. The attorneys all have substantial experience in complex commercial and energy disputes in Texas and around the country.

Lurid Lawsuit's Quiet End Leaves Silicon Valley Start-Up Barely Dented

News

In contrast to the venture capitalists who were knocked off their perches this summer by harassment complaints, Upload was scarcely dented by the publicity surrounding the suit, *The New York Times* reports.