

Truck Accident Lawyer Steve Laird Scores Two More

News

Fort Worth lawyer Steve Laird has once again been recognized by his peers and independent researchers, who have named him to the Top 100 Super Lawyers in Texas and Best Lawyers in America.

A Reminder of the Seriousness of Drafting and Interpreting Contracts

Insight

Constant vigilance, skilled lawyering and good deal-making skills remain critical to the proper drafting of contractual arrangements, points out Glenn West in a post on Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP's Global Private Equity Watch.

Which Firms Give In-House Counsel Nightmares?

News

BTI Consulting Group has published the results of its 2017 "Fearsome Foursome" survey, in which 300 general counsel named

which law firms they would least like to see as opposing counsel.

Wells Fargo Customers May Never See Their Day in Court, Experts Say

News

Mandatory arbitration contract clauses may protect the bank from class-action suits brought by customers who had bank or credit card accounts opened in their names without their knowledge, reports NBC News.

Folksy SC Lawyer Stares Down Duke Energy, Other Utility Giants

News

Frank Holleman never thought he'd become a nationally recognized authority on coal ash, a toxin-riddled waste that has power companies under scrutiny across the country, but five years after taking a job with a regional conservation group, Holleman is perhaps the one person utilities hate to see coming, writes Sammy Fretwell for The State of Columbia, S.C.

Facebook and Its Lawyers Slammed by Judge in Terrorism Suits

News

The judge also chewed out the company's law firm, saying "it is outrageous, irresponsible and insulting" for sending a first-year associate to handle the hearing.

Just CRAZY About Tiffany's? Don't Use Their Name

News

A trial has begun for the case in which Tiffany & Co. sued Costco, claiming that the warehouse giant sold more than \$6 million of ersatz Tiffany engagement rings and improperly used the jeweler's name on at least 200,000 in-store signs.

Big Law Business Summit –

West

Event, Oct. 27

Bloomberg Law invites leaders of big law – the top law firms in the country and the legal departments they serve – to the Big Law Business Summit – West.

Patent Enforcement Company Slams Apple with \$22M Verdict After East Texas Trial

News, Acacia Research Corp., the largest publicly traded patent-assertion entity, won a \$22.1 million verdict against Apple, reports Ars Technica.

Texas-Sized Business: Critics, Lawyers Discuss Controversy Behind Personal-Injury Attorneys

News

Jim Adler, who bills himself as the “Texas Hammer,” Adler can be seen in TV spots standing on semitrucks telling viewers he “will hammer the big trucking companies down to size.”

New Comparator Apps Compare Courts, Judges, Law Firms

News

Lex Machina, a LexisNexis company, announced two new applications – Courts & Judges Comparator and Law Firms Comparator – designed to compare courts, judges and law firms.

Bankruptcy Trustee Dismisses Case After Expert Fails On Cross Examination

News

The trustee for a bankrupt company decided to drop his lawsuit after watching his expert witness cross examined by an attorney from Ahmad, Zavitsanos, Anaipakos, Alavi & Mensing P.C.(AZA), clearing AZA's clients of claims that they received fraudulently transferred company assets, the firm reports in a news release.

Key E-Discovery Concepts: Processing 101 for Attorneys

Insight

kCura offers a close look at key concepts behind processing – a technical but critical aspect of any e-discovery project.

Freedom of Contract? An Agreed Damages Clause May Not Actually Be Agreed

Insight

The right of contracting parties to obligate themselves to one another has always been subject to certain statutory limitations, as well as those imposed by the common-law principles that govern the enforcement of contracts generally, writes Glenn West for Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP.

Federal Circuit Affirms Disqualification of Counsel, Dismissal of Patent Complaint

News

The Federal Circuit has affirmed a Western District of Texas

decision disqualifying counsel for plaintiff Dynamic 3D Geosolutions LLC and dismissing its patent infringement complaint Schlumberger Ltd. without prejudice, reports IPWatchdog.

House Democrats Ask for Justice Investigation as New York AG Looks Into Trump Foundation

News

The committee's Democrats allege that the donation in 2013 "may have influenced Mrs. Bondi's official decision not to participate in litigation against Mr. Trump," and asks Attorney General Loretta E. Lynch to explore whether federal bribery or other laws might have been violated

SEC Takes Aim at GC for Response to DOJ Investigation

News

The Securities and Exchange Commission has filed civil fraud charges against the general counsel of Ohio-based chemical company RPM for allegedly mishandling the response to a U.S. Department of Justice investigation, Bloomberg Law reports.

Oil Producers Can Avoid Earthquake Potential over Disposal Wells

Insight

Contracting out the disposal of oil and gas well wastewater may not totally free producers from a potential lawsuit given the recent widespread publicity about earthquakes, says Leonard Dougal, an environmental lawyer with Jackson Walker LLP in Austin.

What Clinton Won't Say: Whether Garland Is Her High Court Pick

News

The Democratic presidential candidate has studiously avoided saying whether she would renominate Garland for the vacancy if it is still pending next year, writes Bloomberg's Greg Stohr.

After the Storm – Key Force Majeure Issues in Contracts

Insight

Many contractual provisions and some statutory provisions require a party that is claiming force majeure to notify the other parties to the contract of the event of force majeure, write Raedtha A. Vasquez and Edward Hart Bergin, partners in Jones Walker LLP.