Barnes & Thornburg Adds Three Insurance Recovery Attorneys in Los Angeles and Dallas

News

Barnes & Thornburg LLP announces today that three lawyers from Anderson Kill's Ventura, California, office have joined the firm's Litigation Department and Insurance Recovery and Counseling Practice Group.

Litigator Harold D. Pope Joins Dykema's Detroit Office

News

Harold D. Pope has joined Dykema in its Litigation Department as a senior counsel in the firm's Detroit office.

Microsoft Sued Over Windows 10 Update Campaign

News

A suit in U.S. District Court in Florida alleges Microsoft's Windows 10 update prompts violated laws governing unsolicited electronic advertisements, as well as FTC prohibitions on deceptive and unfair practices, reports *The Seattle Times*.

Lawyer Who Says He Helped Win $52.5 Million Chesapeake Settlement Sues Co-Counsel Over Fees

News

A Fort Worth attorney who helped represent residents of Johnson, Tarrant and Dallas counties in a lawsuit against Chesapeake Energy and Total E&P USA is suing his co-counsel for a third of the legal fees from the nearly $53 million settlement, reports *The Dallas Morning News*.

A.M. Best Webinar Examines Legal, Insurance Ramifications of Lead Injuries

Event, August 3, 2 p.m. EDT

A panel of legal and insurance professionals will discuss the sources of lead injury claims, developing liability issues and the industry impact of lead-based claims.

Despite (or Because of) Extensive Negotiations, No Contract and No Promissory Estoppel

Insight

In this case, the fact that there was no integrated agreement did not defeat the plaintiff's breach of contract claim. Rather, the question was whether there was ever an intent to create a contract, writes Stephen M. Proctor of Masuda Funai.

Taking Control of Corporate Discovery: What It Means for Outside Counsel

Event, July 21, 3-7 p.m. EDT

Bloomberg BNA's Big Law Business, in partnership with Catalyst, will present a complimentary live event, "Taking Control of Corporate Discovery: What It Means for Outside Counsel," Thursday, July 21, in New York.

Court Grants Discovery on Individual Defendants' Personal Computers and Email

News

A magistrate judge has found that a plaintiff's request for individual defendants to search for and produce certain documents from their personal computers and email accounts was not "unduly intrusive or burdensome" because the request was limited in time frame and the parties had agreed to search terms, according to a report by Doug Austin on eDiscoverydaily.

Landowners Approve Settlement Worth $51 Million With Chesapeake Energy

News

Chesapeake Energy will pay about $51 million to wipe out hundreds of lawsuits accusing the Oklahoma City energy giant of cheating North Texas property owners out of millions of dollars in natural gas royalties, according to a report in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*.

Herbalife Agrees to $200M Settlement With FTC

News

The FTC has determined that Herbalife is not a pyramid scheme, but the company will be required to pay $200 million to consumers and “fully restructure” its “unfair” business in a comprehensive settlement, the federal regulator, according to a report by *USA Today*.

U.S. Prosecutors Launch Review of Failed Fedex Drug Case

News

The review plays into a broader debate about how the government prosecutes suspected corporate wrongdoing and could influence its approach to such cases in the future,” write Dan Levine and David Ingram for Reuters.

Subcontractor’s Failure to Strictly Comply With Notice

Provision Costs $200,000

Insight

When you are required to strictly comply with a particular provision or legal requirement, then any departure from that requirement (no matter how insubstantial) can void the claim or provide an absolute defense, writes Matthew DeVries of Burr & Forman LLP.

New Federal Trade Secret Statute Requires Important Updates to Contracts

Insight

Employers are required to provide employees with notice that they are entitled to immunity if they disclose a trade secret for the purpose of reporting suspected illegal conduct, according to a report by Fisher & Phillips LLP.

Rose • Walker Victory Makes Top-Verdicts List

News

Texas Lawyer's annual listing of the top verdicts in Texas includes last year's trial win by Dallas-based Rose•Walker for

firm client ThermoTek Inc. as one of the state's top contract verdicts.

BP Fined $20 Million for Rigging U.S. Natural Gas Markets

News

BP Plc faces more than $20 million in penalties and surrendered profits after a U.S. regulator found that the energy giant manipulated commodity markets in Texas, according to a report by Bloomberg and published by *The Business Times*.

Silicon Valley Star Gets Caught Up In One of the Nastiest Startup Lawsuits Ever

News

One of the founders of futuristic transportation start-up Hyperloop One has filed a wrongful termination suit against his former co-founder, alleging nepotism and harassment, CNN is reporting.

SEC Accuses KPMG Partner in Atlanta, Two Others of Insider Trading

News

U.S. securities regulators have accused a KPMG partner and two other individuals of insider trading on tips about three pending corporate mergers on which the accounting firm was providing advice, Reuters is reporting.

Business Litigation in California: Perplexing, Downright Exasperating

Insight

Archer Norris published its second annual California Business Litigation Report, revealing that corporate lawyers continue to view many aspects of California's business environment as perplexing, downright exasperating, and in many ways more challenging than other states.

Uber GC’s 10-Word Email Could Lead to Potentially Costly Embarrassment

News

A supposedly rogue investigation that Uber originally claimed it knew nothing about – and which could turn out to be a costly embarrassment for the ride-hailing giant – began with a 10-word request from the company’s general counsel, reports Matthew Flamm in *Crain’s New York Business*.

Contractual Waiver of Subrogation Applied to Owner’s Non-Work Property

Insight

Considerable litigation has arisen as to whether a waiver of subrogation provision in a construction contract applies to bar an insurer’s subrogation claim against a contractor to the extent the insurer covered damage to the owner’s “non-work” property under the owner’s existing property policy, writes Robert Barrack of Robinson Cole.