

Rhode Island Firm Wins \$25 Million Jury Verdict Against Rhode Island Hospital

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The state's largest hospital admitted that seven doctors and two nurses were negligent in caring for a patient who sought treatment in for a head injury in 2009.

DaVita Will Pay \$495 Million to Settle Atlanta Whistle-Blower Case

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Doctor and nurse said they noticed that DaVita was throwing out good medicine and then billing Medicare and Medicaid for it.

Hi-Tech Pharmaceuticals Wins \$40 Million Appeal Against

FTC

NEWS

Hi-Tech says the lower-court ruling has caused concern in the industry that the FTC was trying to force double-blind, placebo clinical trial standards on the entire supplement industry.

Battle With Insurers Over Sandy Claims Ends With Big Settlement

NEWS

A utility spokesman said the total amount of insurance recovery is \$264 million, most of which is for damage to PSEG Power's generation plants.

Alleged Price-Fixing Results in \$99 Million Settlement with Eva Airways

NEWS

The settlements are for significant percentages of defendants' relevant sales of air cargo shipping services to and from the United States.

Chesapeake Agrees to Pay \$25 Million to Settle Michigan's Charges

NEWS

The settlement also addresses complaints that Chesapeake defrauded hundreds of private citizens by fraudulently canceling their oil and gas leases in 2010.

Supplier Price-Fixing Civil Settlements Exceed \$260M

NEWS

Civil settlements recently have exceeded \$260 million in federal litigation stemming from the ongoing U.S. criminal antitrust investigation into supplier price fixing, reports *Automotive News*.

High Court Allows State Law

Antitrust Claims to Proceed Against Interstate Pipelines

White Paper

The court considered whether the Natural Gas Act pre-empts state law antitrust claims when the challenged conduct affects both federally regulated wholesale natural gas prices and non-federally regulated retail natural gas prices, reports Mintz, Levin.

Plain Packaging: Undermining the Power of Brands?

White Paper

Balancing the interests of potential trademark owners who wish to market their goods and services under vulgar signs and those who might be offended by such marks has raised wider concerns about unnecessary restrictions on free speech.

Supreme Court Opens Door to Increased Role for State Courts, Regulators in the

Energy Sector

NEWS

The decision upheld a lower court decision that allowed a greater role for state courts in regulating the energy sector finding that state laws may apply to conduct that affects both wholesale and retail transactions provided those laws do not conflict with FERC regulations.

Accounting Expert Witness – Selecting The Best

White Paper

An expert witness with the skills and training of an accountant can be an essential part of any case, providing answers and insights into the intricacies of company balance sheets or the value of personal property.

Make Sure Your Agreement Addresses the Availability of Class Arbitration

White Paper

Companies could find themselves facing unfavorable, but reviewable, court determinations in some jurisdictions, while

being more tightly bound in other jurisdictions by arbitrator determinations subjecting them to class arbitration against their will.

Delivering Successful Ediscovery Projects Across the Globe

On-Demand

E-discovery is approached differently in almost every country around the world, and international ediscovery best practices are evolving quickly in response to international litigation and investigations

Federal Circuit Decision Highlights Important Takeaways for Contractors

White Paper

Is the amount of LDs “reasonable for the particular agreement at the time it is made”? If so, the LDs clause is most likely enforceable.

Electronic Signatures in Court

Contracts

Silanis Inc. has posted a free white paper that answers the questions that arise when companies bring bring processes online. It also outlines how organizations can leverage electronic signatures in settlement when contested, and, failing settlement, effectively prepare for court.

Practical and Ethical Issues in Compensating Fact Witnesses

Event: April 22, 11 a.m. CDT

Fitch, Even, Tabin & Flannery LLP presents a complimentary CLE webinar, “Practical and Ethical Issues in Compensating Fact Witnesses: Are the Benefits Worth the Headache?”, presented by Fitch Even partner Eric L. Broxterman.

Make Sure Employees Transfer IP Ownership Before Parting Ways

White Paper

An article published by Zuckerman Spaeder describes a case that illustrates how easy it is to blur the line between an employee's intellectual property and that of an employer.

CFPB Takes Action Against 'Bad Check' Debt Collector

NEWS

The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau has taken action against a nationwide debt collection operation and its chief executive officer for allegedly using deceptive threats of criminal prosecution and jail time to intimidate consumers into paying debts for bounced checks.

When Does a Company Have the Choice to Waive its Attorney-

Client Privilege in the USA?

White Paper

Two Cozen O'Connor lawyers discuss in a white paper the waiver policies of U.S. federal enforcement agencies overseeing the financial services industry, including the DOJ, the SEC Commodity Futures Trading Commission and Financial Industry Regulatory Authority.

Wisconsin Court Confirms Importance for Businesses to Timely Report Insurance Claims

White Paper

The Wisconsin Supreme Court recently issued a decision that drives home the importance for businesses and individuals, as policyholders, to immediately report claims to their insurance company.