Add One Line in Employment Contracts to Reduce Exposure to Misclassification Liability

Insight

A Kelley Drye blog post suggests the use of one simple sentence in employment contracts, handbooks and policies for salaried employees that would likely reduce exposure by approximately two-thirds in FLSA cases.

Litigator Len Wade Joins Jackson Walker

News

Jackson Walker announced that Len A. Wade has joined the firm as a partner in the Fort Worth office. Wade has experience as a trial lawyer, mediator, arbitrator, and judge.

Assault Allegations Highlight Home Service Call

Vulnerabilities, Plaintiff's Attorney Says

News

A lawsuit has been filed against cable company Charter Communications and its third-party cable installation partner DCOMM after the alleged sexual assault of a 72-year-old Dallas woman.

Harvey Weinstein's Insurer Refuses to Pay for Legal Defense

News

Chubb Indemnity Insurance Co. sued Weinstein on Wednesday, asking the New York Supreme Court for a declaration that it is not obliged to fund the disgraced producer's legal defense, according to *Variety*.

Indemnification Clauses and Defining the Relationship

Insight

As an attorney-client relationship comes with a number of privileges and obligations, understanding when that

relationship comes into being is crucial, cautions Robert J. Glowacki Jr. of Poyner Spruill.

Landman Contract Defeated by the Statute of Frauds

Insight

Gray Reed & McGraw's Energy & the Law blog describes a contract case in which an oil and gas landman found out that the contract he signed with a purported agent for a client was unenforceable.

States to Forego Most of $650M Legal Settlement With Takata

News

Attorneys general for the states alleged that Takata concealed air bag safety issues and failed to disclose safety defects.

Ponzi-Scheming Company's GC (and Texas State Senator) Guilty on 11 Charges

News

Prosecutors said the state senator used his prestige to lend credibility to the company for which he served as general counsel.

4th Annual Federal Judges Survey – Full Report Released

Insight

The Exterro report is a compilation and analysis of the responses of 30 judges to questions about attorney and judicial e-discovery proficiency, recommendations for improvements, and their thoughts on how legal teams are using new e-discovery rules.

Detours on the Way to Your Contractually Selected Forum

Insight

Global Private Equity Watch finds some good news for the careful transactional lawyer who drafts a bespoke forum clause

in a contract.

Claim of Fraudulent Inducement of a Construction Contract Does Not Invalidate Arbitration Clause

Insight

Pepper Hamilton LLP’s Constructlaw blog discusses an Ohio case in which a plaintiff sued a building company and attempted to have the arbitration clause in a construction contract declared unenforceable.

For the Third Time, Supreme Court to Hear Mandatory Union Dues Arguments

News

The case, appealed by an employee of the state of Illinois, comes after the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 7th Circuit rejected his argument that the agency fee violated his rights under the First Amendment.

Trump on Track to Nominate Record Number of 5th Circuit Judges

News

President Trump is on track to nominate more full-time judges to the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals than any other president, according to a post on the website of Androvett Legal Media & Marketing.

Sexual Harassment Roundtable: Practical Guidance for Employers

Webinar, March 1, 2018, 1 p.m. EST

Sexual harassment continues to be a significant workplace problem that has moved front and center with continuing prime-time media coverage.

Remington Bankruptcy Could Put Rifle Settlement at Risk, Attorneys Say

News

Plaintiffs claim that Remington covered up a deadly design defect that allows the rifle – and a dozen similar models – to fire without the trigger being pulled.

Exxon's Response to Climate-Change Case: Sue the Lawyers

News

One expert asks: Does Exxon really need these depositions or is Exxon seeking the depositions to harass mayors and city attorneys into dropping their lawsuits?

On Remand, District Court Breaks New Ground by Vacating Arbitrator's Class

Certification Award

Insight

A federal district court has the authority to vacate an arbitrator's class certification award based on the due process rights of absent class members, according to a post on the website of K&L Gates.

Deans & Lyons Represents Family of Man Killed in Oklahoma Gas Well Explosion

News

The family of one of five workers killed in the Jan. 22 gas well explosion near Quinton, Oklahoma, has hired the Texas trial law firm Deans & Lyons, LLP.

Company Blames Gibson Dunn in Aetna HIV Settlement Notice Fiasco

News

Gibson Dunn isn't named as a defendant in the new suit, but the firm's alleged involvement in the notification fiasco is mentioned throughout the complaint, says Reuters.

Chevron Fights California Cities' Climate-Change Lawsuits With 'Creative Lawyering'

News

Adding foreign companies to the litigation is a tactical maneuver to keep the dispute out of state court, where the cities have more favorable prospects, and force it into federal court, reports *The Los Angeles Times*.