GM Wins Ruling That Could Narrow Ignition Switch Litigation

News

The judge in the multi-district litigation ruled that the expert testimony offered by plaintiffs was unreliable, and their opinions “do not pass muster.”

Lawyer Recounts His DWI Arrest, and Offers Some Advice

Insight

In a post on Above the Law, former lawyer Brian Cuban describes the humiliation he felt when he was hauled to a Dallas jail and the slide into addiction that changed his life and cost him his career.

Trump Judicial Nominee Struggles to Answer Basic

Legal Questions at Hearing

News

Matthew Spencer Petersen, who is up for a seat on the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, had to acquiesce on many occasions that his “background was not in litigation,” CNN reports.

Inside Trump’s Legal Team: Trying to Protect the President From Mueller’s ‘Killers

News

Trump’s legal team in the Russia probe is derided by some as being indiscreet, error-prone and outmatched, according to *The Washington Post*

Republicans Attack ABA Over ‘Not Qualified’ Judicial Nominee Ratings

News

As the ABA has emerged as a major stumbling block in President

Donald Trump's effort to transform the courts, the GOP is accusing the nonpartisan group of holding a liberal slant and is seeking to sideline it, Politico reports.

2017 Data Discovery: Celebrity Lessons on Litigation, Legal Ethics, and e-Discovery

Webinar, Dec. 14, 2 p.m. EST

Reed Smith LLP will present a webinar offering a look back on celebrity data discovery law in 2017 and how it affects you and your organization.

How Forced Arbitration and Non-Disclosure Agreements Can Perpetuate Hostile Work Environments

Insight

It is possible for state lawmakers to crack down on corporate abuse of arbitration and non-disclosure agreements, but the prospects do not seem good, writes Michelle Chen for *The*

Nation.

Will Biglaw Firms Get Caught in the Weinstein RICO Lawsuit?

News

Reporting on the filing of a RICO suit against the "Weinstein Sexual Enterprise" has brought up names of some Biglaw firms, but they're not named in the complaint.

Legal Symposium to Explore Groundbreaking Terror-Financing Case

News

Werbner will discuss *Linde, et al. v. Arab Bank PLC* in a presentation titled, "Fighting Terror-Financing in the Courtroom," during the State Bar of Texas Litigation Update Institute's 34th annual course in January 2018.

J&J, Bayer Ordered to Pay $28 Million in First Xarelto Loss

News

The jury in Philadelphia on Tuesday ordered J&J and Bayer, which jointly developed the product, to pay $1.8 million in actual damages and $26 million in punitive damages, Bloomberg reports.

Judge Kicked Off Bench After Contacting Witnesses in Wife's Case

News

A Virginia judge was removed from the bench by the Virginia Supreme Court after he admitted contacting two key witnesses in a pending federal corruption case against his wife, according to *The Washington Post*.

Trump Lawyers Say Judge Lacks Jurisdiction for Defamation

Lawsuit

News

Summer Zervos, a former contestant on Trump's reality show "The Apprentice," contends that Trump's denials of her accusations amounted to false and defamatory statements, according to Reuters.

Is It Time for People to Breach Their NDAs and Speak Truth to Power?

Insight

Elie Mystal, writing for Above the Law, discusses some top factors to remember when dealing with a sexual predator who has signed you to a non-disclosure agreement.

Two Burns Charest Lawyers to Lead Hurricane Harvey Flooding Class-Action Claims

News

The plaintiffs in the case are Houston homeowners whose properties were ravaged by floodwater releases from the Addicks and Barker reservoirs, which were designed for flood

control.

Trump Adds Five Names to List of Potential Supreme Court Justices

News

President Trump has added five names to his list of potential Supreme Court justices in a move that precedes the possible, but still unannounced, retirement of Associate Justice Anthony Kennedy, reports *USA Today*.

Enforce Arbitration Agreement or Waive Right to Arbitrate Trade Secret Misappropriation Claims

Insight

A recent federal court ruling on arbitration offers three key lessons for plaintiff-employers, according to a post on the website of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe.

Prominent Trial Lawyer Dead After ‘Battle With a Mental Health Issue’

News

Steve Mostyn, a top Democratic donor and prominent Houston trial lawyer who made his fortune suing insurance companies on behalf of homeowners after hurricanes, has died at 46.

Another Client Close to Firing Boies After Weinstein Revelations

News

Now even a pro bono client feels compelled to fire David Boies after revelations of the famed litigator’s role in attempting to hide Harvey Weinstein’s alleged history of sexual harassment and assault.

Ware, Jackson, Lee, O’Neill, Smith & Barrow on 2018 Best Law Firms List

News

Ware, Jackson, Lee, O’Neill, Smith & Barrow, LLP has been named in *U.S. News and World Report* and *Best Lawyers* list of “Best Law Firms for 2018.”

Here’s How Trump Is Rapidly Reshaping the Judiciary

News

The plan called for concentrating on appellate openings, to avoid clogging the Senate with too many nominees for the district courts, where legal philosophy is less crucial, *The New York Times* reports.