Law Firm Sex-Bias Cases Will Turn on Key Question: Can Partners Be Employees?

News

Reuters reports that a sex bias suit filed by an anonymous partner hinges on whether a law meant to protect employees applies to her – an equity partner.

Mueller Uses Classic Prosecution Playbook Despite Trump Warnings

News

Bloomberg Law describes how special counsel Robert Mueller is following a time-tried strategy for looking into the Trump campaign's possible ties to Russia

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Massive California Verdict Expands J&J's Talc

Battlefield

News

The $417 million award by California jury to a California resident suggested so-called forum-shopping may not be the main problem facing J&J, reports Reuters.

Big Pharma's Tobacco Moment as Star Lawyers Push Opioid Suits

News

Six states have sued opiod markers, alleging they have created a public health crisis.

GM Accuses Bankruptcy Trust of Secret $1 Billion Stock Plot

News

As Bloomberg's Erik Larson explains, the accord will pit GM against the "Old GM" General Unsecured Creditors Trust for the first time since the 2009 bankruptcy sale created the split to save the company.

11th Circuit Holds Arbitrators Have Venue-Setting Authority in International Arbitrations

Insight

Alston & Bird asks and answers the question: In an international arbitration, when an arbitration provision is ambiguous about the seat of the arbitration, who resolves the question?

Confusion Between ‘FMLA’ and ‘Maternity Leave’ Sends Employer to Trial

News

HR Dive reports on a federal case in which an employee’s Family and Medical Leave Act suit will go to trial over how she was fired after confusion about how much leave she had available.

Download: In-Depth Analysis and Tips for Improving E-Discovery Strategy

Insight

Zapproved has published an exclusive report that reveals insights about current and year-over-year changes in legal hold and data preservation processes.

Firm Wants Former Employee's Millions From Recent Settlement; 'Absurd,' He Replies

News

Forbes tells the story of a plaintiffs lawyer whose former firm wants nearly all of his $2.45 million in fees from a settlement he worked on for 13 years, even though he resigned from the firm in 2004.

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Guide to E-Discovery

Insight

Exterro has published “The Definitive Guide to E-Discovery” and made the 90-page document available for free downloading.

Trump’s Real Personnel Victory: More Conservative Judges

News

While the public watches President Trump churn through White House staff members, his Administration is humming along nicely in filling federal judgeships, with the enthusiastic assistance of the Republican majority in the Senate, points out Jeffrey Toobin in *The New Yorker*.

Newlyweds Ordered to Pay Photographer More Than $1M In Damages

News

Do words matter? A Dallas County jury recently ruled – to the tune of $1 million – that they do, according to a post by Androvett Legal Media & Marketing.

Family of Brothers Electrocuted in Fort Worth Park File Suit Against Oncor

News

The family of two young brothers electrocuted by a downed Oncor power line in a Fort Worth park have filed a wrongful death lawsuit against the electric utility company.

McKool Smith Secures $9.4 Million Verdict for Quincy Jones Against Michael Jackson Estate

News

The $9.4 million jury verdict was on behalf of legendary music producer Quincy Jones against the late music icon Michael Jackson’s production company, MJJ Productions Inc., in a breach of contract and royalty dispute.

In Texas, Guns and Alcohol Can Be OK – If People Aren't Drunk

News

A Texas appellate court ruled that when people are drinking, but not obviously intoxicated, it can't be assumed that a serious injury will happen just because there's a gun around.

Law Firm Releases Documents in Litigation, Angering Monsanto

News

Monsanto said it was outraged by the documents' released in the Roundup litigation by Baum, Hedlund, Aristei & Goldman, reports *The New York Times*,

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Once Again, Trump DOJ Busts Convention, Splits Government

in High-Profile Employment Case

News

The case of Donald Zarda, a skydiver who claimed his employer violated Title VII when it fired him after finding out he was gay, illustrates how the U.S. Department of Justice and the Equal Opportunity Commission can sometimes operate at cross purposes in litigation.

Wells Fargo Lawyer Accidentally Releases Trove of Data on Wealthy Clients

News

A Bressler, Amery & Ross lawyer representing Wells Fargo accidentally produced documents without redaction or confidentiality designations that revealed “billions of dollars of client account information.”

Wells Fargo Oops: Confidential Data Went to

Opposing Side

News

In responding to a subpoena for information, a lawyer for Wells Fargo inadvertently sent the opposing attorney in a lawsuit a disc filled with confidential information, including Social Security numbers, for 50,000 of the bank’s wealthiest clients.

The Supreme Court Delivers a Blow to Plaintiff Paradise

News

After the U.S. Supreme Court in June struck a blow against so-called litigation tourism, the fallout in St. Louis was quick, reports Bloomberg Law.