

# Beck Redden Attorney Passes Bar, Saves Veteran from Eviction

## *News*

Beck Redden associate Joshua D. Lee received news that he passed the bar on Friday, April 29, 2016, was sworn in on May 2 and almost immediately used his new license to help a veteran avoid eviction.

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# Supreme Court Rejects Challenge to Seattle Minimum Wage Law

## *News*

The U.S. Supreme Court has rejected a challenge by business groups to Seattle's law raising its minimum wage to \$15 an hour, a move echoed by other locales, in a case focusing on how the ordinance affected local franchises like McDonald's, reports Reuters.

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# Quinn Emanuel Sues Hillel

# Chodos' Estate

## *News*

Los Angeles-based Quinn Emanuel law firm and two of its partners sued the estate of high-profile attorney Hillel Chodos, claiming the famous litigator crossed the line in one of the final cases of his career, reports Courthouse News.

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# The Ultimate Expert Witness Objection Checklist

## *Article*

Being familiar with objections to expert testimony is the best way to protect the credibility of your expert's testimony and also challenge that of the opposing expert's, writes Mehjabeen Rahman for the Expert Institute. From discovery to trial, there are several occasions where objections as to an expert's opinion are proper.

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# Recommind and Hire Counsel Expand Alliance

## *News*

Recommind, a developer of advanced analytics software, today announced that its alliance partner, Hire Counsel, has offered a unique fixed-price document review model to solve price

uncertainty issues in eDiscovery.

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## **Agreement to Arbitrate May Not Require a Written Contract**

### ***Article***

From two different courts in two different states on two very different claims come the same concept: an agreement to arbitrate may be binding even without a signed contract, according to a report by Stan Martin on the Commonsense Construction Law website.

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## **Employer's Failure to Sign Agreement Torpedoes Its Motion to Compel Arbitration**

### ***Article***

A fundamental principle of contract law is that a written contract is an agreement in writing that serves as proof of the parties' obligations, writes Virginia Whitehill Guldi of Zuckerman Spaeder LLP. What happens, however, when the parties forget some of the niceties of formalizing a written contract?

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# Sandy Hook Families' Lawsuit Against Gun Makers Gets Trial Date

## **News**

A potentially precedent-setting lawsuit against gun manufacturers on behalf of families of those killed in the Sandy Hook school shooting will move forward to the discovery process, a Connecticut judge ruled Tuesday, according to a report on CNN.

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# Lawyers Accused of Facebook Spying Can Face Ethics Complaint, Top NJ Court Rules

## **News**

The New Jersey Supreme Court ruled Tuesday that two defense lawyers accused of spying on a plaintiff's Facebook page can be prosecuted for attorney misconduct, according to a report in *The Wall Street Journal*.

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# Legal Group Poised to Quiz Clinton Aides About Email Server

## *News*

The State Department has agreed to a conservative legal group's request to question several current and former government officials about the creation of Hillary Clinton's private email system, reports the Associated Press.

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# Court Rules Insurer's Privacy Policy Can Give Rise to Breach of Contract Claim

## *Article*

The process of issuing an insurance policy, either directly or through an employer group, requires care and deliberate action when it comes to issues of proper integration, documentation and transmittal.

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# Court Won't Enjoin Physician

# Who Breached Non-Compete and Consented to Injunction

## *Article*

When his former employer asked a Providence, Rhode Island Superior Court judge to enter an injunction, the judge refused to prevent patients from being treated by a doctor of their own choosing, reports Paul E. Freehling of Seyfarth Shaw on the firm's Trading Secrets blog.

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# Abbott Wins in \$1 Billion Trial Over Marketing of Stents

## *News*

Abbott Laboratories didn't cause medical providers to submit false payment claims to Medicare for unapproved stents, a Texas jury ruled, thwarting a whistle-blower's lawsuit seeking as much as \$1 billion, reports Bloomberg.

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# CFTC Issues \$10M Whistleblower Award

## *News*

Awards like this one show whistleblowers that blowing the

whistle is worth the risk, and will go a long way toward solidifying the CFTC Whistleblower Program,” said Lisa J. Banks a partner in Katz, Marshall & Banks.

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## **Are they Worth Price of Paper They’re Printed On? – Ubersization of Arbitration Clauses**

### **Article**

Vanessa L. Goddard, of counsel with Steptoe & Johnson, provides some tips that make arbitration agreements more likely to be upheld by courts in the employment context.

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## **Arbitration Under Fire: Brace for Less Contract Freedom and More Class Actions**

### **Article**

Encouraged by consumer groups and trial lawyers, federal regulators are pushing for limits on arbitration provisions in consumer contracts, writes George Calhoun in Ifrahlaw’s FTC Beat.

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# Donald Trump Settled a Real Estate Lawsuit, and a Criminal Case Was Closed

## **News**

A lawsuit claimed that Trump SoHo condo-hotel tower was developed with the undisclosed involvement of convicted felons and financing from questionable sources in Russia and Kazakhstan, the report states, *The New York Times* reports.

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# The Plaintiff's Attorney's Search for Driver Fatigue to Inflate Value of Case

## **Article**

In any instance involving the tragic loss of life or serious injury in commercial truck collisions, extensive discovery is required and one of the critical areas focuses on proof of hours of service violations, writes Mark Perkins.

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# Day Pitney and Cohen Seglias Create Collaborative Team for Title IX Investigations

## **News**

Day Pitney LLP and Cohen Seglias Pallas Greenhall & Furman PC have launched a joint Title IX Investigations Initiative designed to allow the firms to provide clients greater services in the wake of a growing number of Title IX investigations.

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# Trump's Campaign Backs Down From Threatened Lawsuit Over Delegates

## **News**

Less than 24 hours after Donald Trump threatened to sue for votes ahead of a potentially contested GOP nominating convention, a move that could foreshadow a new phase in the GOP's ugly primary fight, his campaign backed down, reports *Time*.