

# Lawyer's Heart Attack One Day Before Raise Doesn't Cut Benefits

Bloomberg Law **reports** that a federal judge in Chicago ruled that Lincoln National Life Insurance Co. wrongly shortchanged a tax attorney's disability benefits by \$3,000 per month by determining he became disabled one day before he received a \$65,000 raise.

Harlan Ten Pas, a former partner with McGladrey LLP, suffered a heart attack on Sunday over Labor Day weekend in 2014, one day before his raise became effective. The insurer based his disability benefits on his salary without the benefit.

Ten Pas sued, saying he was entitled to an additional \$3,000 per month because the date of disability couldn't be any earlier than the first non-holiday workday after his heart attack.

**Read the Bloomberg Law article.**