DOJ Hiring Attorneys to Handle Property Seizures for Border Wall

News

The attorneys likely will deal with eminent domain property seizures and quarrels with landowners over what their land is worth.

Autonomous Vehicle Survey Shows Desire for Consistent Regulation to Dispel Safety Concerns

Insight

The survey, conducted in partnership with the Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International, finds that tech and auto leaders and regulators believe a comprehensive, coherent regulatory regime is needed for consumers to feel secure buying and using driverless cars.

Border Wall Needs Private Property. But Some Texans Won’t Give Up Their Land Without a Fight.

News

Previous eminent domain attempts along the Texas border have led to more than a decade of court battles, according to *The Washington Post*.

Can You Be Forced to Sign This Contract Modification?

Insight

If the contractor did not sign off on the required contract modifications, the Postal Service’s email threatened contract termination.

Federal Courts Run Out of Cash Next Friday. Here’s What

Happens Then

News

During the shutdown, the system can spend money left over from fees and other sources to run through Jan. 11.

In 8-Month Tenure, Non-Elected NY AG Was Leading Trump Antagonist

News

Barbara Underwood was an apolitical force in New York, quietly serving as solicitor general before getting an unexpected promotion to become the state's first female attorney general, writes the Associated Press.

Lawyer Accuses Judge of 'Robe Rage,' Tells Opposing Counsel to 'Certify Your Own Stupidity'

News

Charles Andrew Cohn was accused in a complaint before the hearing board of the Illinois attorney disciplinary

commission.

Judge Who Tossed Obamacare Has Had More Than His Share of Contentious, High-Profile Cases

News

Judge Reed O'Connor has become a go-to judge for Republicans over certain heated national social issues such as health care and transgender rights, reports *The Dallas Morning News*.

Implementing the New Revenue Recognition Standard – What Private Companies Need to Do Now

Insight

With the effective date for the new revenue standard fast approaching, many private companies have still not taken important steps towards implementation, writes Robert S. Miller, CPA, CFE, partner, Samet & Company, PC.

Subpoenas Issued to Trump Organization in Emoluments Lawsuit

News

Reuters reports the Trump Organization Inc., the president's privately owned real estate company, and related corporate entities received the subpoenas.

Newspaper Report Foils Trump Labor Secretary's Chances of Being the New AG

News

Alexander Acosta is out of the running to be President Donald Trump's attorney general following a report that he oversaw a sweetheart deal for a wealthy financier accused of sexually abusing dozens of underage girls

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Lenovo $8.3M Spyware Class Action Settlement Gets Initial OK

News

The federal court's initial approval of the settlement comes four months after Lenovo and the consumer class filed with the court to end the spyware action.

Tesla Loses a Senior Lawyer Just as SEC Tightens Grip

News

Bloomberg is reporting that an experienced securities lawyer has left Tesla Inc. just as the company needs one under its fraud settlement with U.S. regulators.

Federal Judge Blocks Keystone Pipeline XL in Major Blow to Trump Administration

News

The Washington Post characterized the order as a major defeat for President Trump, who attacked the Obama administration for

stopping the project in the face of protests and an environmental impact study.

Ex-Penn State University GC Cleared of Wrongdoing

News

Former Pennsylvania Supreme Court justice and Penn State University general counsel Cynthia Baldwin was cleared Friday of any wrongdoing relative to her representation of university officials during the Jerry Sandusky investigation, reports the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette.

DOJ Announces Guidelines to Reduce the Imposition of Monitorships in Corporate Criminal Cases

Insight

The Justice Department’s Criminal Division has announced updated policies and procedures related to the selection of corporate monitors in federal criminal cases, according to an advisory by Alston &. Bird.

CEO Allegedly Stole Millions From Low-Income Customers to Pay for a Ferrari, a Private Jet and a Florida Condo

News

American Broadband’s chief executive, Jeffrey Ansted, was held personally liable for the alleged misconduct as the FCC accused him of embezzling aid money and using it to pay for luxury goods such as an $8 million private Cessna jet.

Company Couldn’t Cut Disabled Worker’s Benefits, So It ‘Went Rogue’ and Had Him Arrested, Lawyer Says

News

An attempt to prosecute a man drawing disability payments for an on-the-job injury drew a withering rebuke from a judge, and now the man is suing the insurance company for malicious prosecution.

Barnes & Thornburg Secures Trade Victory for PMP Fermentation Products

News

The U.S. International Trade Commission has unanimously affirmed that PMP Fermentation Products, Inc. was materially injured by unfairly traded sodium gluconate, gluconic acid, and derivative imports from China.

Lawyer Who Called Decision ‘La La Land on Steroids’ is Suspended for His Wide-Ranging Criticism

News

A New York appeals court has suspended a Suffolk County lawyer for three months for “inexcusable” criticism about courts hearing two of his cases, reports the *ABA Journal*.