

# 2018's Top 10 Legal Challenges in Privacy and Data Security

## *Insight*

In an article for Bloomberg Big Law Business, Wiley Rein LLP's Kirk Nahra details the top-10 U.S. and international developments in 2018 that companies must be aware of to ensure an effective information security program.

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# Labor Board Burns Through Obama-Era Rules

## *News*

In recent days, the independent board tasked with enforcing fair labor practices and collective bargaining rights overruled three Obama-era rules in a series of 3-2 rulings, *The Hill* reports.

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# Fear Mounts Inside USDA over Trump's General Counsel Pick

## *News*

Politico is reporting that morale among many of the Agriculture Department's legal staff has plummeted since

Stephen Vaden, the Trump administration's nominee to be USDA General Counsel, assumed leadership in March, say several agency attorneys from across the country.

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## **FCC Plan Would Give Internet Providers Power to Choose the Sites Customers See and Use**

### **News**

*The Washington Post* reports that federal regulators unveiled a plan Tuesday that would give Internet providers broad powers to determine what websites and online services their customers can see and use, and at what cost.

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## **AT&T Counsel, an Ex-Trump Attorney, Calls DOJ's Suit on Time Warner Deal 'Fake Antitrust'**

### **News**

"There is no credible evidence" that AT&T's proposed \$85.4 billion acquisition of media powerhouse Time Warner poses any threat to industry competition or consumer prices, AT&T attorney Dan Petrocelli told CNBC.

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# Now That FERC Is Back In Action, Will It Keep Pace With States on Energy Storage?

## *Insight*

State action is robust, and state regulatory authorities are routinely emerging as thought leaders in energy storage initiatives, according to Morgan, Lewis & Bockius.

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# Wall Street Penalties Have Fallen in Trump's First Year, Study Says

## *News*

In its latest fiscal year, Wall Street's top regulator sought the smallest amount of penalties since 2013, a drop that could show a softer approach to policing wrongdoing, Bloomberg reports.

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# AT&T Would Win a Fight With DOJ Over Time Warner Deal, Analyst Says

## *News*

AT&T and the Justice Department could be on their way to a major court battle, which one analyst believes the company stands a strong chance of winning, CNBC reports.

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# U.S. States Allege Broad Generic Drug Price-Fixing Collusion

## *News*

The states said the drugmakers and executives divided customers for their drugs among themselves, according to Reuters.

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# Silicon Valley Software Startup, Ex-CEO Fined Nearly

# \$1M

## **News**

Zenefits will pay a \$430,000 penalty and the co-founder/former chief executive has been fined more than \$533,000, Reuters reports.

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# **Will the Supreme Court End Employment Contract Arbitration Clauses?**

## **Insight**

The relevant cases being considered are from the 5th Circuit, which found the arbitration clause did not violate the NLRA, and the 7th and 9th circuits, which found similar clauses unenforceable.

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# **Undefinitized Contracts – *Turner Construction Co. v. Smithsonian Institution***