Churchill Downs to Pay $124 Million in Class Action Lawsuit Settlement

News

Racing and casino company Churchill Downs, organizer of the world-famous Kentucky Derby race, has agreed to pay $124 million to settle two class action lawsuits, according to news reports.

J.P. Morgan Chase Agrees to $9 Million Settlement in 401(K) Suit

News

J.P. Morgan Chase agreed to pay $9 million to settle allegations by current and former participants in the company’s 401(k) plan that fiduciaries violated their ERISA duties by retaining expensive investment options and failing to look for cheaper and better-performing replacements.

No More Legal Headache for

Bayer as it Nears $10B Roundup Settlement

News

Investors suffering losses from Bayer's Roundup legal woes are finally seeing a light at the end of the tunnel, as the German conglomerate is said to be nearing a final settlement that could put tens of thousands of lawsuits behind it.

Lawyers Who Asked for Fees 40x the Settlement they Negotiated Dealt $280K Blow

News

The California Court of Appeal, Second Appellate District issued its ruling on May 21 in a blow to lawyers who claimed to spend more than 800 hours on the lawsuit and initially requested close to $600,000 in fees and expenses.

$205K Settlement Reached, Then Rejected, in CT Lottery

Whistleblower Case

News

Old disputes die hard at the Connecticut Lottery Corp. Here is the story of one of them.

Contract Lawyer Described as ‘Superb Advocate’ is Suspended for Overbilling State Public Defender

News

An Iowa lawyer described as a ‘superb advocate’ has been suspended for overbilling the state public defender for her legal services and car mileage.

Santander Consumer Reaches $550M Settlement With State AGs

News

Santander Consumer USA will pay $65 million to states and forgive hundreds of millions more in consumer debt as part of a settlement with a group of attorneys general over practices

in its subprime auto lending business.

Settlement for Detroit Literacy Lawsuit Eyes Nearly $100M in Funding

News

A historic settlement reached between the state and Detroit students calls for $94.5 million in future literacy funding, a $280,000 payout among seven plaintiffs and the creation of two Detroit task forces to help ensure a quality education for students.

Facebook will Pay $52 Million in Settlement with Moderators who Developed PTSD on the Job

News

In a landmark acknowledgment of the toll that content moderation takes on its workforce, Facebook has agreed to pay $52 million to current and former moderators to compensate them for mental health issues developed on the job.

Western Express $1.1M Proposed Settlement Denied by Federal Court

News

A California federal judge has denied preliminary approval of a $1.1 million settlement in a wage lawsuit against Western Express, sending the parties back to the drawing board.

Ohio State, 162 Survivors Finalize $40.9 Million Settlement in Strauss Case

News

The Ohio State University announced today details of a $40.9 million settlement reached with 162 survivors in 12 lawsuits related to sexual abuse by Richard Strauss, a university-employed physician from 1978 to 1998 who died in 2005.

California Court Overturns Quincy Jones' Win in Michael Jackson Lawsuit

News

A California appeals court on Tuesday overturned most of a 2017 jury verdict awarding Quincy Jones $9.4 million in royalties and fees from the Michael Jackson estate over the use of Jones-produced Jackson hits in the concert film 'This Is It' and two Cirque du Soleil shows.

Regulators Approve $1.9 Billion Settlement With PG&E, But Back Off on Major Fine

News

The state Public Utilities Commission on Thursday approved a $1.9 billion settlement with PG&E that allows it to get credit for wildfire prevention spending while at the same time escape being fined $200 million over regulatory violations stemming from two years of massive wildfires.

Ex-Biglaw Partner Accused of ‘Shaking His Behind’ at Opposing Counsel Escapes Sanction

News

A federal judge in Houston has ruled that there is no need to sanction a former BigLaw lawyer after a motion accusing him of ‘shaking his behind’ at a mediation went viral.

Appellate Court Reverses $13 Million Gender Discrimination Verdict

News

The California Court of Appeal reversed a blockbuster $13 million judgment that was entered against UCLA in favor of one of its former professors of medicine, Dr. Lauren Pinter-Brown. Dr. Pinter-Brown sued for alleged gender discrimination and unlawful retaliation.

Chipotle’s Record $25 Million Fine Sends Tough Message as the Restaurant Industry Begins Reopening

News

Chipotle Mexican Grill Inc. agreed to pay a $25 million criminal fine, the largest ever in a food safety case, to resolve criminal charges related to the company’s involvement in foodborne illness outbreaks that sickened more than 1,100 people between 2015 and 2018.

Ten Tips on Handling a Virtual Evidentiary Hearing Before a Regulatory Agency

News

“A virtual hearing can be challenging for any regulatory lawyer. It requires relying on technology more than ever to advocate for clients. It can feel like talking to an empty room, even if you’re on camera.

Lawyer Likely Can’t Defend Clients on Related Criminal Charges

News

A New York lawyer representing two clients in separate but related criminal matters faces a ‘likely unwaivable’ conflict of interest based on the facts presented.

Minor Errors Axe Judgment Lien

News

Based on a mistake about when a Cook County default judgment became final – plus a 60-cent discrepancy between the amount of the judgment ($238,007.61) and the amount listed in a memorandum of judgment ($238,007.01) that the plaintiffs filed as a lien on the defendant’s real estate in Will County.

Lawyer Who Took Off Pants at Security Checkpoint Fights

Bid to be Ousted from Representing Clients

News

Atlanta lawyer Robert Ward acknowledges that he took off his pants at a security checkpoint at a federal courthouse in Tampa, Florida.