Could SCOTUS leaker be charged with crime? Espionage Act wouldn’t apply, but other laws might

Criminal LawCould the person who leaked U.S. Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito’s draft abortion opinion be charged with a crime…

DOJ’s First Criminal Wage-Fixing Case Ends Mostly in Defeat (3)

Criminal LawA jury found two defendants in the Justice Department’s first criminal wage-fixing case not guilty of violating the Sherman Act while finding one defendant guilty on a single count of obstruction…

Armonk Attorney DeLitta Disbarred for Stealing at

Least $1.5M from Clients

NewsArmonk lawyer Laurieanne DeLitta has been disbarred and ordered to pay nearly $1.5 million, and possibly another $2.2 million, for stealing money from clients.

Prominent Dallas Lawyer Accused of Agreeing to Launder Drug Money

NewsA prominent Dallas lawyer and DART board member has been charged in federal court with laundering what be believed was drug money for narcotics traffickers, according to the U.S. attorney.

Massachusetts Supreme Court Calls Foul on Departing Attorneys

NewsLateral attorney transitions, particularly partner transitions, are often fraught with legal and ethical issues.

BigLaw Partner Added ‘Fictional Hours’ to Client Bills, Meriting a 2-Year Suspension

NewsMassachusetts’ top court ruled Thursday that a Duane Morris litigation partner got off too easy when she was suspended for six months for overbilling clients at her prior law firm, saying her actions reflected manifest “dishonesty” and deserved a two-year suspension instead.

Southwest Ohio Attorney Disbarred After Stealing Millions from Clients

NewsAn Ohio attorney has been disbarred after stealing more than $2 million from clients and spending it on cosmetic surgeries, child support, gambling, property, a boat and jewelry.

Lawyer Suspended 20 Years Ago Gets Conditional Reinstatement

NewsAn Indianapolis lawyer who was suspended more than 20 years ago has been conditionally reinstated to the Indiana bar.

Former State Attorney Took Bribes, Stole More Than $600K From Elderly Man, His Estate

NewsJeff Siegmeister, who was state attorney representing Columbia and six other North Florida counties for nearly seven years until he resigned suddenly in December 2019, was indicted this week on federal charges including conspiracy, extortion, fraud and several other charges.

Appeals Court Rules in Civil Case of Ex-Judge

NewsAn appeals court panel on Wednesday refused to overturn the majority of a visiting judge’s decisions in a civil case involving former Mahoning County Judge Diane Vettori-Caraballo

and a client in her private practice, from whom she stole money.

Corporate Lawyer in U.S. College Admissions Scandals Gets Two-Year Law License Suspension

NewsThe former co-chairman of a major New York law firm has been suspended from practicing law for two years after pleading guilty and spending time in prison over his role in the U.S. college admissions scandal.

California Lawyer Charged with Defrauding Investors of $4.5M

NewsA California lawyer was arrested Tuesday on fraud charges alleging he bilked investors out of at least $4.5 million by lying about a real estate opportunity and making it seem he controlled land he did not.

Circuit Court Judge Charged with Falsifying Evidence

NewsCircuit Court Judge Julie A. Introcaso was arrested today on several felony and misdemeanor charges.

Attorney Accused of Plotting to Kill Her Estranged Husband’s New Girlfriend

NewsAn attorney tried to hire a former sniper and a ranch hand to kill her estranged husband’s new girlfriend and others as part of a year-long campaign of harassment, stalking and threats.

Lancaster County Lawyer Arrested for Alleged Threats to Kill Wife and Government

Officials

NewsA Lancaster County lawyer, who was the longtime Akron borough solicitor, is facing charges following alleged threats to kill his wife and government officials living near Washington, D.C. and Virginia.

Elizabeth School Board Must Pay Wrongly Fired Lawyer Damages

NewsAn appellate panel ruled Elizabeth’s School Board must pay roughly $260,000 in damages after findings its in-house counsel was improperly fired midway through a three-year contract.

Nashville Lawyer Suspended After Posting Advice on How to Make Murder Look Like Self-Defense

NewsThe Tennessee Supreme Court suspended the license of a Nashville attorney after discovering he posted advice on Facebook about how to make deadly force look like self-

defense.

Chicago Attorney David Pasulka Arrested on New Sex Assault Charges

NewsA prominent Chicago attorney already facing rape and sexual abuse charges was arrested again this week after two more women stepped forward, accusing him attacking them four years ago.

San Antonio Attorney Arrested at Restaurant on Felony Gun Charge

NewsJonathan R. Perez, 30, a San Antonio attorney, was arrested on a felony charge Thursday for the second time in 10 months.

Biglaw Partner Arrested on Domestic Violence Charge

NewsJoshua Schiller or Boies Schiller was arrested on a domestic violence charge.