Former U.S. Congressman Sentenced to 26 Months for Insider Trading

News

As a board member of a biotech company, Chris Collins gave insider information on the company to his son.

2019 Bad Guys in Energy

Insight

Gray Reed partner Charles Sartain takes a look back at some of 2019’s malefactors in the energy business in a post in the firm’s Energy & the Law blog.

Solar Company Executive Pleads Guilty to Defrauding Investors of $1 Billion

News

DC Solar Solutions of California made solar generators mounted on trailers that provided event lighting and emergency power for communications companies.

Prominent Litigator Murdered; ‘Likely Saved the Lives of Others’

News

The victim, Randy Gori, practiced asbestos, benzene and personal injury litigation in both Illinois and Missouri.

Lawyers in Trouble: One Collected Dead Client’s Pension, Another Charged With Stealing $300,000 from Client

News

Two lawyers, one in Rhode Island and the other in Long Island, are in trouble on charges of stealing from clients’ funds.

Kentucky AG Asks FBI to

Investigate Ex-Gov. Matt Bevin's Pardons

News

Attorney General Daniel Cameron cited concern for public safety in a letter he wrote to state legislators who had asked him to launch a state investigation into the pardons.

Roundup Plaintiffs' Lawyer Arrested on Extortion Charges

News

Timothy Litzenburg was arrested for allegedly threatening "to inflict substantial financial and reputational harm."

U.S. Appeals Court Rebukes Federal Judge Who Endorsed Jury Nullification in Trial of Sex Offender

News

"We emphatically reject the rule, advanced by Judge Underhill … that district courts are free to permit jury nullification," appeals court says.

Philly Lawyer Disbarred for Laundering Money for Baltimore Crime Family

News

Prosecutors alleged J. Michael Farrell worked with a crime family based in Baltimore that distributed thousands of pounds of illegal marijuana throughout the Mid-Atlantic states.

Former Bumble Bee Tuna CEO Found Guilty of Price Fixing

News

Prosecutors alleged that he conspired with colleagues and executives at rival companies on a “peace proposal” in order to boost prices.

Hughes Hubbard Issues 2019 FCPA & Anti-Bribery Alert

Insight

Hughes Hubbard has released its annual FCPA Alert. The alert

provides a comprehensive review of the cases, trends and enforcement actions that impacted anti-corruption law throughout 2018 and 2019 and predicts what compliance professionals and general counsel can expect to see in 2020.

Ohio Attorney Suspended for Helping Clients Evade Taxes

News

The Ohio Supreme Court found that actions of Gregory Thomas Plesich violated professional ethics rules prohibiting lawyers from helping clients break the law.

Ex-Big Law Partner Found Guilty in Cryptocurrency Fraud Trial

News

The former Locke Lord partner was one of the defendants in a lawsuit targeting individuals involved in the fraudulent cryptocurrency scheme OneCoin.

Facing Investigation, Giuliani Needed a Lawyer, but Firms Stayed Away

News

At least four prominent attorneys declined to represent President Trump’s personal lawyer for various reasons.

Trump Tax Return Case Confronts Supreme Court With a Momentous Choice

News

The court can agree to hear the case and rule by June, or it simply can deny review, leaving in place the appeals court ruling and effectively requiring Trump’s accountants to turn over his tax returns.

Conspiracy Theorist Loses Case Against Robert Mueller

News

A federal judge dismissed a lawsuit against former special counsel Robert Mueller, rejecting a conspiracy theorist’s

claim that Mueller pressured him to commit perjury.

Spying on Defense Lawyers Preparing for Trial? You Can’t Do That, Court Tells Prosecutors

News

A New Jersey appeals court kicked county prosecutors off a drug case after the office spied on a defense attorney preparing for trial.

Arrests Made in Fatal Shooting of U.S. Lawyer Acting as Attorney General in Micronesia

News

Yap Gov. Henry S. Falan said the next stage in the investigation will be “court proceedings as the state moves toward the final stage of conviction.”

5th Circuit Judge: ‘If We Want to Stop Mass Shootings, We Should Stop Punishing Police Officers’

News

James Ho of the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals made the statement in an opinion in a wrongful death suit against a Texas county.

Trial of Texas Lawyer Accused of Scamming Narcos Resembles Scandal From ‘Cocaine Cowboys’ Era

News

Prosecutors say that Balagia and his Florida investigator falsely told their clients that they could buy information to help reduce their sentences.