The Biggest Supreme Court Cases to Watch in 2020

News

The Supreme Court will hear a slate of highly charged disputes when the justices return to the bench in the new year and resume one of the most politically volatile terms in recent memory.

Ex-GC Sues Faraday & Future; Was Poached From Mayer Brown

News

Hong Liu claims that the electric car startup lured him away from a Mayer Brown LLP partnership by fraudulently overstating its prospects.

Wave Goodbye to Unenforceable Mineral Lien Waivers

Insight

A post on the Gray Reed website covers an opinion that will have profound impacts on mineral liens and contractual provisions purporting to waive mineral liens.

Biglaw Firm Sued by Crypto Fund Manager for Alleged Malpractice

News

Digital Capital Management's complaint alleges that the law firm provided "inaccurate analysis and advice."

Suit Claims Biglaw Firm Took Over Corporate Client's Finances and Took Advantage of Its Impaired CEO

News

The suit, filed in state court in New York, says Akin Gump took over finances and bookkeeping for Future Media Architects, a family-owned company.

Sullivan & Cromwell Sued for Malpractice by Ex-Skadden Attorney

News

The plaintiff, Andrew Delaney, claims that Sullivan & Cromwell acted “unlawfully” and “unethically” in the international arbitration matter.

From Guns to Hemp to Immigration: Texas’ Top Legal Stories of 2019

News

Texas legal news in 2019 reflected the debates and court disputes being heard all across the country, according to this year’s list of Top 10 stories highlighted by Androvett Legal Media & Marketing.

Eighth Circuit Rejects Claim That Arbitration Clause in

Retainer Was Unconscionable

News

The Eight Circuit has rejected a plaintiff's claim that an arbitration clause in a retainer agreement she signed with a law firm was unconscionable, according to Carlton Fields.

NYC Litigation Boutique Sued for 'Absurd' Fees

News

Plaintiffs claim the firm charged "almost $1.9 million over a three year period, without engaging in any discovery, or document collection, whatsoever."

Divided Virginia Federal Court Hears Trump Emoluments Case

News

The hearing marks the first time that a full appellate court has considered the emoluments or anticorruption clauses of the Constitution.

Lawyer’s Heart Attack One Day Before Raise Doesn’t Cut Benefits

News

Harlan Ten Pas, a former partner with McGladrey LLP, is entitled to disability benefits based on his annual salary of $390,000, which became effective one day after he suffered a heart attack over Labor Day weekend.

Former GC Sues for $300K in Canceled Bonuses; Agency Countersues, Alleging Fraud

News

The former general counsel claims he negotiated for the bonuses in exchange for keeping his base salary lower.

Sanctions Motion By BigLaw

Firm Alleges Plaintiffs Made Up Pay-Bias Claims ‘Out of Whole Cloth’

News

The firm alleges in the sanctions motion that the plaintiffs made up the lawsuit’s pay-bias claims and seeks their dismissal.

How Amazon Dodges Responsibility for Unsafe Products: The Case of the Hoverboard

News

The cases are testing a longtime argument made by Amazon and other internet companies, one that underpins the modern tech industry.

Forum Selection Clause Gone

Wrong, and Indemnification Woes

Insight

Lewitt Hackman discusses two recent cases concerning franchise agreements, one involving a forum selection clause and the other covering indemnification.

Law Firms Face $500M Lawsuit in Fallout of Ponzi Fraudster's Conviction

News

Nine law firms face civil claims they aided and abetted a multimillion-dollar securities scam run by convicted fraudster Robert Shapiro.

Judge Berates Lawyers for Gig Economy Companies for Trying to 'Worm Out' of Arbitration

News

A federal judge Monday accused food delivery service DoorDash of trying to "squirm" out of its obligation to arbitrate labor

disputes with more than 2,000 workers.

Does an Arbitrator Have Authority to Compel Production of Third-Party Documents?

Insight

If a case is subject to arbitration, it is likely there will be a dispute about whether the arbitrator has the authority to compel production of third-party documents or witnesses for deposition.

Client Wins Punitive Damages Against Lawyer Who Called Him ‘A-Hole’ and ‘Jerk’ Online

News

Donald Glassman was awarded the payout against Robert Feldman after a 10-day trial ruled that the lawyer committed legal malpractice and defamed him.

Elon Musk to Face Trial Overtweets After Court Denies Motion to Dismiss Defamation Lawsuit

News

U.S. District Judge Stephen Wilson in Los Angeles ordered the jury trial to begin Dec. 3.