Judge Strikes BigLaw Lawyer’s Closing Argument In Case Alleging Talc Caused Mesothelioma

News

Judge Ana Viscomi of New Brunswick struck from the record the entire argument made by Diane Sullivan, a litigation partner with Weil, Gotshal & Manges.

Should Your Family-Owned Business Include a Forum Selection Clause in its Agreements?

Insight

A forum selection clause may provide a measure of certainty from the outset as to the location of any future legal action.

Private Lawyers Stand to Make

$90 Million in Johnson & Johnson Opioid Ruling

News

The judgment in the Oklahoma opioid litigation, if upheld, could yield a huge return on investment for the private plaintiffs lawyers involved.

Veterans' Families Ask US Supreme Court to Hear Midland Train Crash Case

News

Plaintiffs say the most critical error involves the amount of warning time that elapsed before the Union Pacific train entered the Garfield Street crossing, where the crash occurred.

Court Forces Sale of Arbitration Award to Pay Biglaw Firm Fee

News

The law firm won approval to have a former client's $92

million arbitration award seized so that it can be paid for its legal services.

Seventh Circuit Guts FTC's Powers – Setting up Supreme Court Showdown

News

The case involves a lower court's imposition of $5 million in restitution from the target of an FTC action.

Business Lobby Prods 9th Circuit to Revisit Decision Curbing Consumer Arbitration

News

The briefs come in the wake of the 9th Circuit's June 28 rulings in which plaintiffs claimed they couldn't be forced into arbitration because they sought injunctions against corporate defendants.

Private Equity: The Little-Regarded Confidentiality Agreement

Insight

Global Private Equity Watch discusses a case that distinguishes between affiliates entitled by the non-disclosure agreement that are entitled to receive confidential information and affiliates actually bound by the agreement.

Ambiguous Limitation-of-Liability Clause Did Not Clearly Restrict Owner's Claims

Insight

A Mississippi federal court denied a defendant's motion for partial summary judgment in connection with a limitation-of-liability clause, according to a Pepepr Hamilton post .

American Airlines Demands

Mechanics’ Unions Pay For ‘Enormous Financial Losses’ From Flight Delays, Cancellations

News

American Airlines is demanding that the mechanics’ unions pay for hundreds of flight delays and cancellations over the last two months.

Clash Between Courtroom Legends Features Lawsuits, Accusations, Secretly Taped Call

News

David Boies and Alan Dershowitz are brutally yoked in a subplot of the Jeffrey Epstein sex trafficking case, reports *The Washington Post*.

Firm Settles Suit Alleging It Solicited Fake Online Reviews That Tricked Woman Into Becoming Client

NewsThe lawsuit claimed that Kraemer Manes had “orchestrated a scheme of soliciting positive online reviews” from people who had never used the law firm’s services.

The Gun Industry’s Clear and Present Danger: Liability to Shooting Victims

News

Remington’s lawyers at Baker Botts asked the Supreme Court to grant review of a 2019 ruling in which the Connecticut Supreme Court held that Sandy Hook victims’ families can move forward with a suit.

Don’t Let ERP Contracts Fool

You Twice

Insight

Never sign the vendor’s or integrator’s template contract without negotiating and redrafting key provisions — even the boilerplate ones, Taft’s Marcus Harris advises.

Judge’s 20-Year Reign of Alleged Sexual Misconduct Goes on Trial

News

The Commission on Judicial Performance has begun a four-week proceeding to consider the 10 counts of alleged misconduct .

How a $30-Million Federal Lawsuit Was Blown Up Over Breakfast

News

Six years of litigation fizzled out in July when one of the plaintiffs dropped a bombshell at a breakfast meeting with opposing counsel, effectively ending a $30 million federal lawsuit filed against a Saudi businessman over a California wildfire.

Law Firm’s Nasty Split Sparks Novel Questions on Derivative Suits

News

Cellino & Barnes used ubiquitous advertising on television, radio and billboards in New York to generate more than $10 million in profits each year since 2015 for its only two shareholders.

Texas Businessman Lost $6 Million Investing in BP Litigation. Now He’s Blaming His Ex-Lawyers

News

The litigation investment firm’s money evaporated into an allegedly fraudulent scheme to manufacture tens of thousands of plaintiffs.

Jones Day Sued for Alleged Malpractice by Pro Bono Clients Who Say Eviction Deal Left Them Homeless

News

Two California residents allege that Jones Day pressured them to accept a “burdensome settlement,” reports the *ABA Journal*.

Don’t Overreach by Retaining the Unilateral Right to Modify An Arbitration Agreement

Insight

If a contract is too one-sided, it can be ruled illusory and unenforceable, warns Shepard Davidson in the Burns Levinson In-House Advisor blog.