Bar Association Panel Finds Trump’s Kentucky Judicial Nominee Unqualified

News

The ABA’s Standing Committee on the Federal Judiciary says Walker “does not presently have the requisite trial or litigation experience or its equivalent.”

Gunmaker Asks Justices to Rule Against Sandy Hook Families

News

The company argued that the 2005 federal Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act shields firearm makers from liability when their products are used in acts of violence.

Dallas County Trial to Lead the Way in Addressing Opioid

Crisis in Texas

News

The first Texas trial addressing the role of pharmaceutical manufacturers, distributors and physicians in creating and fueling the state’s opioid crisis has been scheduled for Dallas County next year.

In Roundup Case, U.S. Judge Cuts $2 Billion Verdict Against Bayer to $86 Million

News

A California Superior Court judge in Oakland said the jury’s billion-dollar punitive damages awards were excessive and unconstitutional.

Equifax Data-Breach Settlement: Get Up to $20,000 If You Can Prove Harm

News

Individual victims may be able to claim as much as $20,000 in compensation for losses resulting from the breach if they can prove they were harmed.

Law Offices of Frank L. Branson Honored with 2019 Elite Trial Lawyers Award

News

The National Law Journal has honored The Law Offices of Frank L. Branson as a top law firm in the nation for product liability litigation.

Martin Walker Honored for Winning Texas' Largest Medical Malpractice Verdict in 2018

News

Trial law firm Martin Walker has earned honors for winning the largest medical malpractice verdict in Texas in 2018 for the $43.32 million jury award.

Boeing Has Friends in High Places, Thanks to Its 737 Crash Czar/General Counsel

News

When he was a federal appellate court judge, J. Michael Luttig brought on dozens of promising young clerks who are now spread throughout the judiciary and beyond,

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Duke Energy Sued for 2014 Coal Ash Spill Environmental Harm

News

Duke Energy pleaded guilty to federal environmental crimes in 2015 and agreed to pay $102 million.

Eighth Circuit Says a Delegation Clause Isn’t Valid (and Calls Wrap Contract

Formation Into Doubt)

Insight
The ruling tosses all manner of “wrap” agreements into doubt, writes Henry Allen Blair.

Census Plaintiffs Seek Sanctions Against Trump Administration for Trial ‘Fraud’

NewsThe American Civil Liberties Union asked a New York court to grant new discovery into the alleged misconduct.

Lawyers Can Be Sued for Allegedly Violating Confidentiality Deal in Monster Energy Suit

News
The court found there is no question the language of the confidentiality provisions purported to encompass both the parties and their lawyers.

Two Provost Umphrey Jury Awards Earn Top Verdicts Recognition

News

Two verdicts won by Provost Umphrey Law Firm earned recognition among the Top Texas Verdicts & Settlements for 2018 based on a comprehensive review by VerdictSearch.

Plaintiffs' Counsel Appointed in Price-Fixing Claims Against Cedar Shake and Shingle Manufacturers

News

A federal court in Seattle has appointed Christopher J. Cormier and a legal team at Burns Charest LLP as co-lead counsel in a proposed federal class action against a group of manufacturers of cedar shakes and shingles.

Understanding Contractual Limitations on Liability

Insight

A post on the website of Best Best & Krieger discusses what contractual limitations on liability can mean for a business.

Web Scraping Decisions Consider Contract Cause of Action

Insight

Two recent web scraping disputes highlight some important issues regarding whether a website owner may successfully allege a breach of contract action against a commercial party that has scraped website content, according to a Proskauer post.

Court Holds Delta’s Privacy Policy Isn’t a Contract

Insight

The key to Delta’s victory may have been a novel theory that its privacy policy should not be treated as a contract with a consumer, according to Manatt, Phelps & Phillips.

Fears Nachawati’s $166M Verdict Ranked As Largest Intentional Tort Award in Texas for 2018

News

The May 2018 jury verdict in Tarrant County’s 141st Judicial District Court was also ranked the sixth largest among all verdicts in Texas and the 14th largest nationally for the year.

Dali Wireless Declares Victory Over Industry Giant CommScope in Patent Fight

News

Dali Wireless has prevailed over its much larger rival after a multiyear battle over both companies’ patents.

Protecting Privileged Pre-Merger Communications Through Contractual Provisions

Insight

Sell-side counsel are well advised to negotiate provisions akin to the retention clause, or privileged communications may fall into the hands of acquirors to be used in post-closing litigation against the sellers, advises Pepper Hamilton.