

Bayer Bets on ‘Silver Bullet’ Defense in Roundup Litigation; Experts See Hurdles

News

Bayer has a better shot if a business-friendly U.S. Supreme Court takes up the case, experts said.

U. S. Judge Voices Doubt on Trump Bid to Block House Subpoena for Financial Records

News

A federal judge expressed astonishment Tuesday at arguments raised by President Trump’s lawyers seeking to block his accounting firm from turning over years of financial records to the House Oversight and Reform Committee, reports *The Washington Post*.

Lawyers Spar Over \$64 Million in Fees In \$2.2 Billion South Carolina Nuclear Settlement

News

The main point of contention was whether the 13 law firms that fought SCE&G for months before negotiating the settlement should earn \$64 million in fees.

Texas Court Addresses the Use of Contract Operators

Insight

A recent Texas ruling illustrates the problems that can arise when parties to a joint operating agreement elect to have a non-owner serve as the operator, points out Austin Brister in the McGinnis Lochridge Oil and Gas Law Digest.

U.S. State AGs Looking into Expedia Group, Hotel Practices in Antitrust Probe

News

Court documents name the hotel chains Hyatt, Marriott, Caesars

Morrison & Foerster Trims Some Female Attorneys' Claims, For Now

News

The women are part of a proposed nationwide class action filed in April 2018.

Judge Orders PG&E Directors to Visit Town Destroyed by Wildfire

News

The judge said he wanted the energy company executives to “see the gravity of what happened up there” and indicated he likely will join the tour.

A GC Says She Was Told to Serve the Cake. She Complained, Then She Was Fired.

News

The former general counsel of ExlService Holdings says in a lawsuit that she suffered from gender stereotyping in her job, illustrated by an order from the CEO that she serve cake to the company's junior male employees at a company anniversary.

Trial to Begin Over Claims Army Corps Knew of Flooding Risk in Wake of Hurricane

News

An estimated 8,000 to 10,000 homes and businesses flooded near government-run dams to the west of Houston in 2017.

Boeing Appoints Legal Czar to

Oversee Fallout From Fatal 737 MAX Crashes

News

Statements indicate Boeing plans to take an aggressive stance in responding to civil allegations and any potential criminal accusations.

'Frivolous' Claims Lead to 7-Figure Sanction for Lawyer and Client

News

Judge Margaret Ann Brennan imposed sanctions totaling \$1,061,623 against Marshall Spiegel and his lawyer, John Xydakis, in a case involving a condominium association.

Former Practice Chair Says Dentons Owes Her Over \$390K

News

Jessica Abrahams, now at Drinker Biddle & Reath, claims Dentons breached a contract that guaranteed she'd have the funds in her capital account returned to her if she left the firm.

Attorney: ‘Old White Males’ Ganged Up on Her. The Bar: She Used ‘Terrorist Legal Tactics’

News

“Old White Male Attorney #2 steps up to the plate to harass a domestic violence victim with yet another baseless legal treat,” the lawyer allegedly posted.

‘Immoral and Barbaric’: Cancer-Surviving Judge Blasts Insurer For Denying Lawyer’s Treatment

News

One judge, who felt he had to recuse himself and who was a prostate cancer survivor himself, made it clear how he felt about the case.

Webinar May 7: Contracts Litigation Report

Webinar, May 7, 2019

The Lex Machina contracts litigation event will cover the latest findings and trends on top law firm and party data, timing metrics, case resolutions, damages awards, and more.

Merger Agreement Termination Based on Plain Contract Language

Insight

The article expands on key takeaways from the ruling, including the need for strict compliance with notice provisions, the lack of implied duty to warn a counterparty of its mistake, the discoverability of text messages, and enforceability of reverse termination fees.

Luxury Goods In-House Lawyer Sues Employer for Alleged

Harassment

News

The plaintiff says executives shrugged off her complaints of sexual harassment as “a byproduct of being an attractive woman who works at a company with a French culture.”

Webinar: Impact of Meritless Claims on Multidistrict Litigation

Webinar, May 16

The webinar will discuss the problem meritless claims pose to the multidistrict litigation process and explore proactive solutions to help identify frivolous claims early in the process.

McGuireWoods Hit With Records Demand in Suit Over Energy Deal

News

Bloomberg Law reports that an importer-exporter who says two former partners and their attorneys at McGuireWoods LLP used dirty tricks to strip their joint venture of its assets has

accused the law firm of sitting on the records he needs to prove it.

Federal Appeals Court Upholds \$9.5 Million Judgment for Encompass Office Solutions

News

The appellate court found that BlueCross BlueShield of Louisiana failed to properly reimburse Encompass Office Solutions for in-office medical procedures.