

# Bionpharma Fails to Get Rival's GC Disqualified in Supply Spat

## *News*

Bloomberg Law reports that Generic drug distributor P&L Development LLC's general counsel and an outside firm may continue to represent P&L in its breach-of-contract and fraud suit against Bionpharma Inc., a federal court in North Carolina ruled.

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# Seventh Circuit: Class Arbitration is for Courts to Decide, Not Arbitrators

## *Insight*

A post on the Carlton Fields website updates the latest ruling in a class action alleging violation of the Fair Labor Standards Act and breach of contract.

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# Record Multimillion-Dollar

# Settlement Reached for Susman Godfrey Partner's Traumatic Brain Injury

## *News*

Brooke Taylor was 38 at the time of the crash and in the early part of what was an already decorated career with the law firm Susman Godfrey as an intellectual property litigation attorney.

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# Lawyer Sues Apple, Says FaceTime Bug Allowed Secret Recording of Deposition, Caused Emotional Trauma

## *News*

The Houston lawyer, Larry D. Williams II, seeks punitive damages against Apple and unknown parties for claims of product liability, negligence, warranty and fraudulent misrepresentation.

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# Biglaw Firm Hit With \$500 Million Malpractice Suit

## *News*

Plaintiffs claim that Reed Smith failed to bring a case against the rating agencies – Standard & Poors, Moody's, and Fitch Ratings – in a timely manner, resulting in claims being dismissed.

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# Job-Seeking Lawyer Loses Age Discrimination Case Based on Experience Cap

## *News*

The job applicant, with 25 years of legal experience, didn't get an invitation to interview for the position that was aimed at lawyers with three to seven years experience.

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# No Fees for You: Non-Class Counsel Get Stiffed in VW Diesel Litigation

## *News*

Numerous attorneys who worked on VW suits before the

appointment of class counsel won't get paid, reports Bloomberg Law.

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## **Yelp Doesn't Have to Take Down Libelous Post About Lawyer, Supreme Court Rules**

### **News**

The U.S. Supreme Court rejected a San Francisco attorney's request Tuesday to order Yelp to take down an online denunciation by a former client.

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## **HP and Hewlett Packard Enterprise Will Pay a \$25 Million Settlement to Salespeople Who Sued Over Messed Up Pay**

### **News**

Business Insider reports that about 2,000 of HP's and Hewlett-Packard Enterprise's salespeople will finally be getting their share of a \$25 million settlement paid to them by the two companies.

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# OpioiD OverDoses Overtake Car Accidents on List of Preventable Deaths

## *News*

The National Safety Council's recently released report on preventable injury and fatality statistics, reveals that accidental opioiD overdoses have overtaken car accidents as a leading cause of deaths among Americans.

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# A Quick 'Yes' Can Create a Binding Contract, Even If There Has Not Been Agreement on All Terms

## *Insight*

An exchange of emails can form a binding settlement agreement, even if the parties have not agreed to all of the terms of that settlement.

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# Kavanaugh's First Opinion Rejects Vague Exception Limiting Enforcement of Arbitration Agreements

## *Insight*

The latest U.S. Supreme Court ruling on arbitration agreements will shed no light on the broader question of whether an arbitration agreement governs a particular dispute.

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# Judge Rebukes DOJ, Says U.S. 'Laughable' for Using Shutdown to Delay Suit

## *News*

The judge decried "an abdication by the president and the Congress" of the duty to govern responsibly.

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# Why Johnson & Johnson May Not Have to Pay Its \$4.7 Billion

# Court Verdict

## *News*

While a \$4.7 billion jury verdict against Johnson & Johnson in July was eye-popping, J&J may pay far less, or nothing, reports Bloomberg. No verdict of that size has survived appeal.

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## **Syngenta MDL Judge Tears Up Lawyers' Contingency Contracts in \$500 Million Fee Ruling**

## *News*

A U.S. district judge has set aside individual contingency fee contracts that some plaintiffs' lawyers had in place for clients in a multidistrict litigation, according to a Reuters report.

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## **Lawyer Who 'Won't Take No for an Answer' is Suspended for**

# Two Years

## *News*

Tom Gannon persisted in filing a total 46 appeals in the state court system in a small civil dispute for a client, despite multiple denials and admonitions from the court.

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## **Parties Must Proceed to Arbitration Despite Unavailability of Arbitration Forum Specifically Named in the Contract**

## *News*

An Ohio appellate court has addressed an issue that arose when an arbitrator specified in a contract is no longer available.

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## **Federal Courts Run Out of Cash Next Friday. Here's What Happens Then**

## *News*

During the shutdown, the system can spend money left over from

fees and other sources to run through Jan. 11.

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## **Lawyer Accuses Judge of ‘Robe Rage,’ Tells Opposing Counsel to ‘Certify Your Own Stupidity’**

### **News**

Charles Andrew Cohn was accused in a complaint before the hearing board of the Illinois attorney disciplinary commission.

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## **Davis Wright Tremaine Leads Legal Team for BuzzFeed in Trump Dossier Defamation Case**

### **News**

A team from Davis Wright Tremaine successfully prevailed in a defamation suit against BuzzFeed brought by Russian businessman Aleksey Gubarev, the firm announced in a release.