2017 Data Discovery: Celebrity Lessons on Litigation, Legal Ethics, and e-Discovery

Webinar, Dec. 14, 2 p.m. EST

Reed Smith LLP will present a webinar offering a look back on celebrity data discovery law in 2017 and how it affects you and your organization.

Is Non-Compete in Purchase/Sale of Family-Owned Business Enforceable?

Insight

Michael P. Connolly discusses the case of E.T. Products, LLC v. D.E. Miller Holdings, Inc., in which the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit recently addressed the enforceability of non-compete agreements that had been negotiated in connection with a sale of a business.

Will Biglaw Firms Get Caught in the Weinstein RICO Lawsuit?

News

Reporting on the filing of a RICO suit against the "Weinstein Sexual Enterprise" has brought up names of some Biglaw firms, but they're not named in the complaint.

Legal Symposium to Explore Groundbreaking Terror-Financing Case

News

Werbner will discuss *Linde, et al. v. Arab Bank PLC* in a presentation titled, "Fighting Terror-Financing in the Courtroom," during the State Bar of Texas Litigation Update Institute's 34th annual course in January 2018.

J&J, Bayer Ordered to Pay $28 Million in First Xarelto Loss

News

The jury in Philadelphia on Tuesday ordered J&J and Bayer,

which jointly developed the product, to pay $1.8 million in actual damages and $26 million in punitive damages, Bloomberg reports.

Judge Kicked Off Bench After Contacting Witnesses in Wife's Case

News

A Virginia judge was removed from the bench by the Virginia Supreme Court after he admitted contacting two key witnesses in a pending federal corruption case against his wife, according to *The Washington Post*.

Trump Lawyers Say Judge Lacks Jurisdiction for Defamation Lawsuit

News

Summer Zervos, a former contestant on Trump's reality show "The Apprentice," contends that Trump's denials of her accusations amounted to false and defamatory statements, according to Reuters.

National Ranking Guide Names AZA to Best Law Firms List for Sixth Year

News

Houston’s AZA is listed in the 2018 top tier of area metropolitan law firms for commercial litigation. The selection of Best Law Firms is based on a rigorous process that includes client and lawyer evaluations and peer review from other attorneys in the same practice areas.

A Twist in Oil Patch Arbitration

Insight

Charles Sartain of Gray Reed discusses a recent case in which parties to the sale of a business sent their dispute to accountants to arbitrate.

Judge Blasts Uber Lawyers,

Delays Trade Secrets Trial

News

Explosive evidence alleging that a covert Uber unit stole trade secrets and hid internal communications emerged in federal court on Tuesday in the bitter intellectual-property dispute between Waymo and Uber, reports the *San Francisco Chronicle*.

Law Firm Partners' Battle: 'Burn the Place to the Ground'

News

The scorched earth legal battle over the Cellino & Barnes law firm has escalated, with one of the partners threatening to "burn the place to the ground," according to court papers.

Not So Fast: Limits of 'Settlement Negotiation' Protections

Insight

It's far too simplistic to suggest that anything your company considers to be a "settlement negotiation" is going to be kept

out of court, warns Joseph A. Schouten of Ward and Smith, P.A

Two Burns Charest Lawyers to Lead Hurricane Harvey Flooding Class-Action Claims

News

The plaintiffs in the case are Houston homeowners whose properties were ravaged by floodwater releases from the Addicks and Barker reservoirs, which were designed for flood control.

Virtual Data Rooms for Litigation

Insight

Lawyers are taking advantage of virtual data rooms to communicate with their clients, experts and opposing counsel.

Trump Adds Five Names to List of Potential Supreme Court Justices

News

President Trump has added five names to his list of potential Supreme Court justices in a move that precedes the possible, but still unannounced, retirement of Associate Justice Anthony Kennedy, reports *USA Today*.

Enforce Arbitration Agreement or Waive Right to Arbitrate Trade Secret Misappropriation Claims

Insight

A recent federal court ruling on arbitration offers three key lessons for plaintiff-employers, according to a post on the website of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe.

Prominent Trial Lawyer Dead

After ‘Battle With a Mental Health Issue’

News

Steve Mostyn, a top Democratic donor and prominent Houston trial lawyer who made his fortune suing insurance companies on behalf of homeowners after hurricanes, has died at 46.

Another Client Close to Firing Boies After Weinstein Revelations

News

Now even a pro bono client feels compelled to fire David Boies after revelations of the famed litigator’s role in attempting to hide Harvey Weinstein’s alleged history of sexual harassment and assault.

Here’s How Trump Is Rapidly Reshaping the Judiciary

News

The plan called for concentrating on appellate openings, to avoid clogging the Senate with too many nominees for the district courts, where legal philosophy is less crucial, *The*

New York Times reports.

PREX17 Insights on Building a Preservation Game Plan That is Litigation-Ready

Insight

The Zapproved guide is intended to provide practical tips aimed at helping legal operations teams preserve relevant data, release legal holds and manage clear preservation workflows.