Once Again, Trump DOJ Busts Convention, Splits Government in High-Profile Employment Case

News

The case of Donald Zarda, a skydiver who claimed his employer violated Title VII when it fired him after finding out he was gay, illustrates how the U.S. Department of Justice and the Equal Opportunity Commission can sometimes operate at cross purposes in litigation.

Wells Fargo Lawyer Accidentally Releases Trove of Data on Wealthy Clients

News

A Bressler, Amery & Ross lawyer representing Wells Fargo accidentally produced documents without redaction or confidentiality designations that revealed “billions of dollars of client account information.”

Wells Fargo Oops: Confidential Data Went to Opposing Side

News

In responding to a subpoena for information, a lawyer for Wells Fargo inadvertently sent the opposing attorney in a lawsuit a disc filled with confidential information, including Social Security numbers, for 50,000 of the bank's wealthiest clients.

The Supreme Court Delivers a Blow to Plaintiff Paradise

News

After the U.S. Supreme Court in June struck a blow against so-called litigation tourism, the fallout in St. Louis was quick, reports Bloomberg Law.

Pharmaceutical Company Celgene Settles Suit for $280

Million

News

The agreement, announced by federal prosecutors, came out of a lawsuit filed by a former Celgene saleswoman who said Celgene submitted false claims to Medicare and health care programs in 28 states and Washington, D.C.

Can the President Be Indicted? A Long-Hidden Legal Memo Says Yes

News

The New York Times reports that the 56-page memo amounts to the most thorough government-commissioned analysis rejecting a generally held view that presidents are immune from prosecution while in office.

Republicans Introduce Bills to Scrap New Bank Arbitration Rule

News

The new Consumer Financial Protection Bureau rule would ban banks and other financial institutions from forcing

arbitration clauses on customers to prevent them from bringing or joining class-action suits, reports *The Los Angeles Times*.

Workplace Plaintiffs Face Long Odds at Trial, Analytics Data Indicates

News

The ABA Journal reports that only 1 percent of plaintiffs who file federal job discrimination, harassment and retaliation claims win on the merits at trial, according to an analysis by the Lex Machina legal analytics firm.

After N.F.L. Concussion Settlement, Feeding Frenzy of Lawyers and Lender

News

Some of the ex-players with severe neurological disorders are cognitively impaired and may not understand the terms used by the lawyers who make the pitches, reports *The New York Times*.

Dot Your I’s, Cross Your T’s, and Place Your Commas

Insight

Guiding principles regarding the use of commas and other writing conventions should be strongly considered when drafting contracts, for example, as including or excluding a comma in a particular contract provision may ultimately determine whether a company owes or is owed millions of dollars in a subsequent dispute, , points out Hyatt & Weber P.A.

Trump Faces Obstacles in Bid to Re-Shape Key U.S. Courts

News

Some of the courts best placed to thwart Trump’s agenda have liberal majorities that are likely to stay in place in the short-term, according to Reuters.

Consumer Watchdog Makes It Easier to Sue Banks and Other

Companies

News

The government's consumer watchdog has finalized a rule that will make it easier for people to challenge financial companies in court, reports *The Washington Post*.

Webcast: Emerging Trends And Legal Analytics For Employment Litigation

Event, July 13, 12 p.m. EDT

Above the law and Lex Machina will offer an overview of recent developments in employment litigation, including the rise of legal analytics.

Judge Shoots Down eDiscovery Trade Secrets Case

News

Bloomberg Law reports that a federal judge in Manhattan has rejected DTI Global's arguments that a sales team lured away by a competitor had misappropriated key trade secrets.

Justice Neil Gorsuch Has Already Changed the Supreme Court Forever

News

This past term shows that the Supreme Court is really the Gorsuch Court – a trend that will likely continue well into the future, writes Jessica Mason Pieklo in Rewire.

Download: Insights From the Latest E-Discovery Cases

Insight

Zapproved's 2017 Summer volume offers insights from the latest e-discovery cases – and how courts are applying the FRCP to reach big decisions.

Firms Offer Litigation Insurance So Clients Can

Hedge Bets in Court

News

Some American law firms trying to collect on big contingency claims are starting to use form of litigation insurance to hedge against the possibility that the judgment could be wiped away on appeal, according to Bloomberg Law.

Law Firm Not Liable for $1.5B Loan Gaffe

News

A recent ruling means that entities that loaned General Motors $1.5 billion before it went bankrupt cannot sue GM’s law firm, Mayer Brown, for accidentally canceling the collateral on the loan, Courthouse News Service is reporting.

The Litigation Storm Around President Trump

News

Cities, states, members of Congress, and watchdog groups are suing the president for a variety of claims, according to Bloomberg.

Bailey Brauer Helps Secure Appellate Win in Texas Partnership Liability Battle

News

In a decision relying on the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals' application of a 19th century court ruling to Texas general partnership liability law, an agricultural wholesaler will be allowed to enforce a judgment against individual partners of a defunct agribusiness partnership.