International Association of Defense Counsel Publishes Defense Counsel Journal Spring 2017 Edition

Insight

The International Association of Defense Counsel has published the spring 2017 edition of its Defense Counsel Journal, which is available for free to non-IADC members via the IADC website.

Judge Rips Lawyers in IP Rift; Will Award Fees to Defendants

News

The judge called the lawsuit “frivolous” and concluded that awarding fees to the defendants “would much better serve the purposes of the Copyright Act than the denial of such awards.”

The Dumbest Class Action

Claim Ever

News

The Milwaukee Journal Sentinel reports on a pair of class-action lawsuits against Home Depot and Menards that Above the Law calls “the dumbest class action claim ever.”

Simon Greenstone Earns 2016 Top Verdict Recognition in California, Arizona

News

TopVerdict.com has recognized Dallas trial law firm Simon Greenstone Panatier Bartlett, P.C. for securing the largest jury verdict in Arizona, and the largest asbestos case verdict in California, in 2016.

Get the In-House Processing & Review How Tos

Insight

Zapproved has published a guide that discusses five ways to save costs and build efficiencies by bringing e-discovery processing and review in-house.

Supreme Court Ruling in Drug Case Could Have Big Implications for Product Liability

News

A Supreme Court decision could make it harder for large groups of plaintiffs to sue corporations in state courts for damages caused by manufacturers' products, reports Politico.

Bored by $1,000-an-Hour Pay, a Lawyer Hunts Wall Street Scores

News

Bloomberg Law profiles lawyer Dan Brockett, who ditched a job representing the world's biggest banks for $1,000 an hour, and started earning his keep by suing the very companies that used to pay his bills – working on a contingency.

More States Likely to Sue over Opioid Epidemic

Insight

States will be very tempted by the significant potential damages that may be awarded in court to try to recoup some of the costs of treatment, says Kent Sullivan of Jackson Walker LLP.

Download: Unlock Legal Hold How-Tos

Insight

Zapproved has published an updated legal hold how-to guide. It walks through the six steps to a smooth and defensible process.

Walmart’s Plan to Use Employees to Deliver Online Orders Raises Legal Issues

Insight

While Walmart’s plan to have employees deliver customers’ online purchases on their way home from work may make business sense, it also raises a host of legal questions, says Justin

Markel, a Houston labor and employment lawyer with Roberts Markel Weinberg Butler Hailey PC.

The Difficulties of Being Obvious: Practical Advice for Overcoming Obviousness Rejections

Event, June 22, 2017, 11 a.m. CDT

Fitch, Even, Tabin & Flannery LLP will present a free webinar, "The Difficulties of Being Obvious: Practical Advice for Overcoming Obviousness Rejections," featuring Fitch Even partner Stephen Favakeh and Fitch Even patent agent, Thomas James.

Lawsuit in U.S. Accuses 12 Big Banks of Credit Default Swap Collusion

News

A small trading exchange on Thursday filed an antitrust lawsuit accusing Bank of America Corp , Citigroup Inc, JPMorgan Chase & Co and nine other banks of conspiring to shut it out of the $9.9 trillion credit default swap market,

reports Reuters.

Download: Bringing E-Discovery to the Cloud

Insight

Zapproved has published a free guide called “Get In-House Processing and Review Howtos” that can be downloaded from the company’s website.

Why ABC News Is Facing a Jury Over ‘Pink Slime’

News

South Dakota’s Beef Products Inc. claimed the coverage caused sales to plummet, costing the company $1.9 billion and forcing layoffs, reports Bloomberg Law.

8th Circuit Makes It Easier

For Plaintiffs to Take Fracking Contamination Claims to Trial

Podcast

A podcast on Kane Russell Coleman & Logan's Energy Law Today discusses the Eighth Circuit's recent ruling that makes it easier for plaintiffs to take fracing contamination claims to trial.

How a Supreme Court Ruling on Printer Cartridges Changes What It Means to Buy Almost Anything

News

The U.S. Supreme Court has handed a victory to consumer groups in a case about printer cartridges that has huge implications for the way we think about technology ownership in America, and your rights as a user, according to *The Washington Post*.

CVS’s Omnicare to Pay $23 Million to Resolve U.S. Kickback Case

News

Reuters is reporting CVS Health Corp’s Omnicare unit has agreed to pay $23 million to resolve a whistleblower lawsuit alleging that it took kickbacks from a drugmaker to promote two antidepressants, according to settlement papers.

LexisNexis Launches Practice Guide with Litigator-Author James Wagstaffe

Insight

LexisNexis announced the launch of an industry first for legal research– a new practice guide (in video format) for US-based pre-trial civil procedure in partnership with renowned litigator and author James Wagstaffe.

June 28 Event: Experts

Explore Ways to Control Litigation Costs

Event, June 28, 2017, San Francisco

Leading in-house and outside counsel will discuss where they believe legal departments face the most pressure and how to successfully transform the management of litigation.

Suit for Bad Frac Job Requires a Certificate of Merit

Insight

Gray Reed & McGraw’s Energy & the Law Blog discusses a case that asked whether a court must dismiss an engineering defect lawsuit filed without a certificate of merit with prejudice or may dismiss without prejudice.