GSA Contractor Assistance Visits to Include Labor Category Qualifications Review

NEWS

Baker Tilly has posted an article and video on several changes the GSA has announced for the Contractor Assistance Visits (CAVs) performed by its Industrial Operations Analysts (IOAs).

Produced Water: Asset or Waste?

White Paper

The Atlantic Council has produced a white paper focusing on the water-related issues impacting the United States' ability to unleash domestic energy resources.

Legal Electronic Notice and Signature Requirements

White Paper

Robert Braun and Stanley Gibson, partners at Jeffer Mangels Butler & Mitchell LLP, have posted a white paper that they

developed for Factors and Specialty Lenders to guide them in gaining a competitive edge by using electronic delivery methods, electronic records and electronic signatures.

Deciding on Market Guidance Requires Careful Thought

NEWS

Financial Executives International Daily offers public companies some advice on deciding whether and to what extent to give the market guidance about future operating results.

Google and LG Agree to Patent Licensing Deal

NEWS

Google and LG have entered into a patent cross-licensing deal, the latest partnership seeking to reduce the threat of lawsuits between major tech companies, reports PC World.

Innovative Privacy Feature Hurt Blackberry, Fomer NSA GC Says

NEWS

Former National Security Agency general counsel Stewart Baker said that Blackberry's innovative encryption efforts, which Google and Apple are planning to emulate, partially led to the company's demise.

Microsoft's Top Lawyer on Privacy, Technology and Edward Snowden

NEWS

Microsoft general counsel Brad Smith spoke at Harvard's Berkman Center for Internet and Society Nov 4, discussing government information requests, ensuring the privacy of consumers and trust in U.S. technology companies.

Supreme Court Hears Arguments

on What's a 'Reasonable Basis' for IPO Statements

NEWS

The Supreme Court heard arguments Monday in a securities class action against pharmaceutical giant Omnicare, asking to what extent, if any, a corporation needs a "reasonable basis" for opinions in its SEC registration statement, reports Courthouse News Service.

Corporate Insiders Value Loyalty From Outside Counsel

News

Loyalty and good communication should be at the top of the list for outside counsel in dealing with their corporate clients, said two panelists in a recent symposium, reports Bloomberg BNA.

Law Firms Creating In-House General Counsel for Ethics

NEWS

Ronald D. Rotunda writes on Justicia.com about a trend for law firms to create a position of general counsel, a position

designed to heighten “ethical awareness by fixing responsibility in one lawyer to whom other lawyers may turn for a more objective evaluation of legal ethics issues.”

Contract Management: Identify Your Business Need for a Better Solution

White Paper

Merrill DataSite has posted a complimentary white paper titled “Contract management and business needs: Finding the driving business need in your company.”

New OSHA Regulations Increase Employers’ Reporting Responsibilities

NEWS

A new rule issued by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration will significantly increase the type of injuries that must be reported to the agency

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EEOC’s Inquiry into Mandatory Retirement Age Could Hit Law Firms

NEWS

Bloomberg News is reporting that the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission is investigating whether mandatory retirement provisions at Deloitte LLP violate federal employment law.

National Basketball Players Association Names New General Counsel

The National Basketball Association players association has hired Gary Kohlman as its new general counsel, according to a report in *The New York Times*.

Drug Maker Sanofi Fires CEO

Sanofi is one of the world’s top pharmaceutical companies,has fired CEO Christopher A. Viehbacher amid tensions over the company’s international strategy.

Cyber Attacks Likely to Increase, Pew Reports

The Internet has become so integral to economic and national life that government, business, and individual users are targets for ever-more frequent and threatening attacks, Pew Research reports.

Beware: OSHA Keeping Tabs on Temp Worker Hiring

Stephen Dwyer, general counsel for the American Staffing Association, had a blunt warning for staffing companies and employers hiring temporary workers: “OSHA is on the lookout.”

Chubb, Finra Award, SEC Filing-Speed Edge: Compliance

Chubb Corp. distanced itself from insurance adjusters in Sudan and Syria after a U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission inquiry into business in nations blacklisted by the U.S. because of terrorism ties, Bloomberg is reporting.

The Risk Intelligent General Counsel – A Deloitte White Paper

White Paper
The legal and regulatory terrain has gotten rougher, says Deloitte in a white paper, yet the general counselmust not only keep up, but stay ahead.

The Growing Influence of the GC in Overcoming Compliance Challenges

White Paper
Compliance and legal challenges are converging, offering opportunity for general counsel to play a more strategic role across the enterprise, reports a new white paper from Mitratech.