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Encryption Battles May Inform Fights Over 3D Printing Rule

The U.S. Commerce Department's takeover of export oversight of 3D printing files for firearms from the State Department could invite constitutional challenges, and a 1990s battle over encryption offers a preview for how such challenges could progress.

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EPA Narrows Federal Oversight Of Water Pollution

The Trump administration on Thursday officially narrowed the federal government's permitting authority under the Clean Water Act, in a final rewrite of a rule that replaces a controversial and broader Obama-era policy the president already rescinded.

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State Dept. Introduces Visa Hurdles For Pregnant Women

The Trump administration made it harder for foreign pregnant women to get visitor visas to the U.S., citing national security concerns in a rule released Thursday.

Dems Criticize 'Dark Money' In CFPB High Court Case

A trio of Senate Democrats took aim at what they say are "plainly inadequate" transparency rules for amicus briefs at the U.S.



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An Ohio State University law professor sued the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in a D.C. federal court, challenging the agency's denial of his request for documents about the legality of President Donald Trump's appointment of former acting Secretary Kevin McAleenan.

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Nearly two dozen state attorneys general have told the U.S. Supreme Court that nixing a structural element of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau doesn't also require invalidating the agency entirely or related provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act, as a California law firm has asserted in its constitutional challenge to the agency.

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Chase Card Interest Case In Peril After Dismissal Endorsed

A New York federal judge has given his thumbs-down to a Chase credit card holder's proposed class action that banking industry groups have warned could upend trillions of dollars in asset-backed securitizations, concluding that the state-law usury claims at issue in the case are preempted.

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NJ Hospital Can't Force Psych Test On Transgender Man

A New Jersey magistrate judge said she won't force a transgender man to take a psychological examination as part of a Catholic hospital's bid to fend off his discrimination suit over blocking his hysterectomy, ruling that the hospital can obtain information about his mental state from other sources.

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Conn. Dems Push Again For Pot Legalization And Taxation

Connecticut's Senate Democrats will push again this year to legalize and tax recreational cannabis and may be bolstered by the governor introducing his own cannabis legislation next month through the state budget, lawmakers said Thursday.

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Solicitor General Weighs In On Age Bias High Court Case

The solicitor general told the U.S. Supreme Court on Thursday that the federal government has a myriad of ways to remedy age bias in the workplace other than the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, but the federal employee who filed the suit said that law is the only substantive way to get judicial relief.

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A National Labor Relations Board judge decided Thursday to keep alive the Fight for \$15 effort to find McDonald's jointly responsible

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Ex-Air Cargo Exec Cops To Price-Fixing After 10 Years On Lam

After nearly a decade on the run from authorities, a former executive for Netherlands-based Martinair Holland NV has pled guilty to federal criminal charges related to her role in an international air-cargo price-fixing ring, the U.S. Department of Justice announced Thursday.

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Sen. Says Federal Security Clearance Backlog Finally Cleared

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US Not Backing Off Safe Harbor Tax Demand, Official Says

The U.S. still thinks a revamp of the global tax system should be enacted as an elective safe harbor, a top Treasury official said Thursday, even as a French official suggested the countries were moving on from that idea.

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House Dems Still Open To Pursuing TCJA Fixes, Counsel Says

Democrats on the House Ways and Means Committee are still open to working with Republicans to enact technical corrections to the 2017 tax overhaul under certain conditions, the committee's counsel said at a conference Thursday.

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Immigration Attys Tell Justices Law Criminalizes Good Advice

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States, ABA Urge High Court To Affirm Migrant Habeas Review

A coalition of 20 attorneys general and the American Bar Association told the U.S. Supreme Court Wednesday that expedited removal of migrants fails to sufficiently safeguard against erroneous deportations, weighing in on a fight over court authority to review whether asylum-seekers credibly fear persecution.

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Okla. Wants Halt To Tribes' Casino Games In Compact Row

Oklahoma Gov. Kevin Stitt asked a federal judge Wednesday to block the Cherokee, Chickasaw and Choctaw tribes from continuing to operate slot machines and other games at their casinos, saying the games are illegal since the tribes' gaming compacts with the state expired at the start of the year.

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O'Rielly Suggests FCC Could Ink 5.9 GHz Rules By Summer

Federal Communications Commission member Michael O'Rielly told reporters and members of the auto industry on Thursday that he hopes the agency can ink new rules governing the 5.9 GHz spectrum band by midyear, allowing WiFi to share the band with auto-safety applications.

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U.S. Supreme Court United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma is bringing enforcement actions against five former Wells Fargo executives and has reached settlements with three others over their alleged roles in the bank's sales practices scandal, including a \$17.5 million fine for former CEO John Stumpf.

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Capitol Hill's Diversity Efforts Are Rubbing Off On Wall Street

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FTC-DOJ Vertical Merger Guide Aims To Boost Transparency

New draft guidelines from the U.S. Department of Justice and Federal Trade Commission clarify how the agencies will approach vertical merger inquiries and signal that parties will be held accountable for proving pro-competitive benefits, say former FTC acting commissioner Maureen Ohlhausen and Christine Ryu-Naya of Baker Botts.

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Recently enacted New Jersey legislation that allows a bypass of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act's \$10,000 limit on state and local tax deductions may entice residents to structure their businesses as pass-through entities, say Steven Saraisky and Reuben Muller at Cole Schotz.

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Sexual Assault Ruling Increases Exposure For NYC Employers

In Breest v. Haggis, a New York appellate court ruled that a New York City anti-violence law extends to workplace sexual assault claims and provides an avenue for financial recovery, making proactive assessment of workplace culture and harassment claims crucial for employers, say attorneys at Holland & Knight.

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Breaking Down Michael Avenatti's Nike Extortion Trial

Once plastered all over cable news screens, Michael Avenatti will soon be making his first of several planned appearances before a different audience: federal jurors. The embattled attorney and former Trump sparring partner will be facing an uphill battle next week in New York as he fights charges that he tried to extort millions of dollars from Nike.

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California Bar Mulls Licensing Nonlawyer Professionals

California State Bar leaders took another step Thursday toward opening up the regulation of legal services in the state, launching the assembly of a task force to explore a licensing scheme under which paraprofessionals would provide certain legal services and advice to consumers.

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Ground Rules For Live-Video Testimony Spelled Out In NJ

A New Jersey state appeals court on Thursday said judges should consider the substance of witness testimony, among other factors, in deciding whether someone can testify via live video at a civil trial, ending at least eight years of uncertainty about the parameters of testimony permitted by the state Supreme Court but unaddressed in state court rules.

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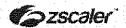
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