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TOP NEWS

Future Of Dodd-Frank Uncertain Under Trump

President-elect Donald Trump has publicly said he'd like to eliminate the Dodd-Frank Act that established more oversight of the financial industry, but because he hasn't given many specifics, experts say they're not sure what provisions he wants to eliminate or what, if anything, would take its place.

Analysis

Trump's FTC May Scale Back On Data Security Enforcement

While it's anyone's guess whom President-elect Donald Trump will pick to head the Federal Trade Commission and fill two vacant commissioner spots, the new administration's influence is almost certain to make the commission more cautious on data security enforcement while removing much of the competition it has faced recently from other regulators.

US Trade Policy At Crossroads, USTR Counsel Says

United States trade policy faces a number of serious potential changes in the coming years, ranging from relations with China to its approach to international bodies like the World Trade Organization, the general counsel for the U.S. Trade Representative said Thursday.

Analysis

Environmental Enforcement Under Trump: 5 Open Questions

Environmental enforcement priorities at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Department of Justice are likely to shift when President-elect Donald Trump takes office, although it's too early to know exactly how. Here are five questions experts are asking.

Analysis

Trump Presidency Won't Be A Red Light For Green Energy

President-elect Donald J. Trump has thrown his weight behind fossil fuels and vowed to nix major climate change regulations, but experts say that won't derail U.S. green energy growth, and that states — not the federal government — will continue to take the lead in stimulating development of wind, solar and other clean energy sources.

Analysis

Republican Sweep Could Open Path To Telecom Legislation

President-elect Donald Trump's upset win and congressional Republicans' success in retaining majorities in the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives may open a narrow path for new telecom legislation that

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could address questions of Federal Communications Commission authority.

Trump Victory Cloaks US-Cuba Relations In Uncertainty

When it comes to U.S. relations with Cuba, experts agree that the island nation likely won't be a priority for President-elect Donald Trump, but beyond that, how much he'll roll back or continue the Obama administration's engagement with Cuba is anyone's guess.

Analysis

What Happens To ACA Challenges Still In Court?

It is not yet clear what a Donald Trump administration will ultimately mean for health care in the country, but his policy statements regarding the Affordable Care Act shed light on what might become of ongoing lawsuits surrounding the legislation.

Defense Committees Stay Largely Intact With Election

The election will bring little change to the makeup of the congressional defense committees, meaning lawmakers are likely to continue to push existing policy priorities such as a larger military and increased defense spending, areas where they should find common ground with President-elect Donald Trump.

Trump Transition Watch: Border Wall, Immigration Team

With immigration serving as one of the centerpieces of Donald Trump's campaign, attention is centering on how the president-elect will handle his promises on the topic and how he will shape his related advisory team. Here, Law360 rounds up the latest must-know developments on Trump's immigration agenda.

6 Months In, Equity Crowdfunding Hasn't Quite Caught On

Six months after equity crowdfunding rules took effect, lawyers say they are seeing little sign that the novel capital-raising method is taking off, attributing the slow launch to lack of awareness and practical limitations that curb its appeal.

News Analysis

BigLaw Staff Turns To Blue Chip Senate Candidates In 2016

Federal records show employees of the 10 largest U.S. law firms donated overwhelmingly to Senate candidates who were ahead in pre-election polls this year, a strategy that paid off in all but a few instances Tuesday.

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL

Next Pa. AG's Enviro Goals Depend On Good Ties With DEP

Josh Shapiro, who was elected Pennsylvania's next attorney general Tuesday, pledged during his campaign to crack down on polluters, but to succeed, experts say he will have to bolster his office's rapport with the state's Department of Environmental Protection and persuade the agency that prosecutors can move cases quickly.

EPA Proposes To Deny Request To Change Biofuel Program

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency said on Thursday it has proposed to deny requests from oil industry groups to initiate the process to change regulations over who is responsible for satisfying biofuel standards, but also said it would leave the public comment period open for 60 days.

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Quinn Emanuel
Reed Smith
Rothwell Figg
Russ August
Schiff Hardin
Sidley Austin
Skadden

Greenlighting Kids' Climate Suit, Ore. Judge Cites Ancient Law

An Oregon federal judge on Thursday refused to throw out a suit accusing the federal government of failing to protect future generations from the threats of climate change, saying the government's focus on specific laws was a myopic view of a suit over fundamental rights protected by more ancient law.

Justices Urged To Rein In 9th Circuit's 'Lax' Habitat View

Alaska, oil and gas groups, regional organizations and Alaska Native groups are asking the U.S. Supreme Court to strike down critical habitat designations for the polar bear, saying the Ninth Circuit's "lax" standards for critical habitat allowed the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to haphazardly protect a California-sized area in the Arctic without regard for whether polar bears actually live in much of that area.

HEALTH & LIFE SCIENCES

McConnell Wants 21st Century Cures Act Passed In 2016

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., on Thursday said passing the 21st Century Cures Act by the end of the year is one of his two priorities for the lame-duck Congress, and that he has the backing of President Barack Obama.

TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE

Amtrak, MBTA In Settlement Talks In Cost-Sharing Deal Spat

Settlement talks are underway to potentially end the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority's federal suit accusing Amtrak of misusing federal statutes to force the state public transit agency to pay almost \$30 million a year to share its own track with Amtrak, according to a motion filed on Wednesday.

NJ Top Prosecutors Won't Touch Christie Criminal Case

New Jersey's attorney general and the Bergen County prosecutor, both appointed by Gov. Chris Christie, have moved quickly to recuse themselves from handling a criminal complaint accusing Christie of official misconduct in the George Washington Bridge scandal.

Feds Clear Truckers With Diabetes To Drive Interstate

The federal government has given the go-ahead to dozens of truck drivers with diabetes to drive their commercial motor vehicles between states, exempting them from a rule that bars people with insulin-treated diabetes mellitus from doing so.

Arlington Voters OK New Texas Rangers Stadium Funding

Voters in Arlington, Texas, have given the go-ahead to a \$500 million bond issue for a new Texas Rangers baseball stadium with a retractable roof that the city estimates may cost as much as \$1 billion to construct.

INSURANCE

Mich. Health Insurance Tax Faces High Court Appeal

The Self-Insurance Institute of America has asked the U.S. Supreme Court to hear its challenge to Michigan's tax on health insurance plans, arguing that the Sixth Circuit's conclusion that the tax escapes Employment Retirement Income Security Act preemption conflicts with the high court's ruling in a

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Citigroup Inc.

Cox Communications Inc.

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COMPETITION

ABA Experts ID Best Practices For Antitrust Investigations

An American Bar Association group has released a report that it says identifies the best practices to ensure that antitrust enforcement is accurate, efficient and impartial.

PRIVACY & CONSUMER PROTECTION

IMDb Files Suit Against Calif. AG Over Privacy Bill

A recently passed California law forcing online entertainment employment boards to remove the ages of film industry people from profiles drew the ire of IMDb.com, which argued in a federal court complaint Thursday that the law singles out the company and violates free speech rights.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

VA Report Touts Progress In Improvement Plan

The Department of Veterans Affairs said Wednesday that service, accessibility and outcomes at its health facilities have improved in 2016, as part of its comprehensive improvement plan MyVA.

Small Biz Committee Reps Call OMB Buying Policy A 'Scam'

The Republican head of the House Small Business Committee and its Democratic ranking member together criticized the Office of Management and Budget Thursday for a governmentwide buying initiative they say is cutting off work to small businesses and isn't achieving the cost savings envisioned.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

TPP All But Dead In Wake Of Trump Victory

The fate of the Trans-Pacific Partnership came into sharper focus Wednesday as lawmakers essentially quashed any notion of voting on the 12-nation trade accord in the lame-duck legislative session, deferring instead to President-elect Donald Trump, who has vowed to kill the deal.

US-India Biz Coalition Begins Overtures To Trump

The U.S.-India Business Council made its formal pitch to Donald Trump on Wednesday, urging the president-elect to reinvigorate the two nations' commercial relationship by committing to continue investment accord talks and liberalizing defense trade.

Canada Signals Willingness To Renegotiate NAFTA

Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau on Thursday signaled his willingness to renegotiate the North American Free Trade Agreement with the U.S., a pact that President-elect Donald J. Trump has vowed to revisit, according to video of a news conference in Nova Scotia.

NATIVE AMERICAN

Ariz. Gaming Head Fights Tribe's Gambit In Casino Suit

The head of Arizona's gambling department urged a federal judge on

Inter-American Development Bank

LG Electronics Inc.

Liberty Mutual

Lowe's Companies, Inc.

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Texas Rangers

The Boeing Company

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Twitter Inc.

Under Armour, Inc.

United States Telecom Association

Valero Energy Corp.

Volkswagen

Walgreen Co.

Waste Management, Inc.

Wells Fargo & Co.

Windstream Corporation

Wyndham Worldwide Corporation

XTO Energy Inc.

eBay Inc.

GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

Alaska Department of Law

Bureau of Citizenship and

Tuesday to reject the Tohono O'odham Nation's bid to prevail in a suit over the tribe's right to offer Las Vegas-style gaming near Phoenix, saying the tribe has tried to avoid evidence of fraud by putting forward a number of technical arguments that fail.

Navajo Leaders Congratulate Trump, Pence On Victory

The top leaders of the Navajo Nation offered their congratulations to President-elect Donald Trump and Vice President-elect Michael Pence on Wednesday, emphasizing the importance of working in unison with the incoming administration to advance the best interests of Native American tribes.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Groups Ask DC Circ. To Scrap FCC's Cable Rate Order

Broadcast groups attacked a Federal Communications Commission's order they say deregulates cable TV prices, telling a D.C. Circuit panel Thursday the agency relied on flawed data when it found competition in local markets across the country.

FCC's Clyburn Wants 'Pitches' On Broadband Cost, Diversity

Federal Communications Commissioner Mignon Clyburn said Thursday that she is reaching out to stakeholders and experts for ideas on how to address communications challenges such as affordability, broadband-enabled health care, and digital inclusion, saying the input will be considered for a plan slated for release this year.

Telecom Group Urges FCC Against Ethernet Rate Regs

As the Federal Communications Commission mulls a revised proposal to promote competition in the market for business data services, the agency should not regulate ethernet at any speed or move forward with unjustified price caps, the U.S. Telecom Association said Wednesday.

Rigid Team Telecom Deadlines Not Doable, Exec. Branch Says

The Federal Communications Commission should reject requests to set strict timelines for Executive Branch review of broadcast transactions involving foreign ownership because such constraints are unfeasible, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration told the agency Thursday.

EXPERT ANALYSIS

OPINION: The Verdict — A Rejection Of Politics As Usual

The verdict on Nov. 8, was not unanimous, especially when Secretary Hillary Clinton will end up with a popular vote advantage. Yet, it is a message of extreme magnitude from voters willing to overlook the serious flaws of a candidate because they could not reconcile themselves to ratifying the perpetuation of politics as usual, says Reuben Guttman, a partner of Guttman Buschner & Brooks PLLC and adjunct professor at Emory Law School.

What We Can Expect From An SEC Under President Trump

Mary Jo White's "broken windows" theory of enforcement resulted in record numbers of small-bore enforcement cases, but caused the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's Division of Enforcement to be nearly irrelevant in policing big-bank behavior. Going after big, bad bankers is certainly a cost-

Immigration Services
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Consumer Financial Protection Bureau
Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
Executive Office of the President
Federal Communications Commission
Federal Election Commission
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
Federal Reserve System
Federal Trade Commission
Fish and Wildlife Service
Florida Department of Health
Food and Drug Administration
Gila River Indian Community
Immigration and Customs Enforcement
Internal Revenue Service
International Chamber of Commerce
International Monetary Fund
NAFTA
NATO
National Aeronautics and Space Administration
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
National Institutes of Health
National Telecommunications and Information Administration
Navajo Nation
Office of Federal Procurement Policy
Office of Foreign Assets Control
Organization of American States
Postal Regulatory Commission
Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
Securities and Exchange Commission
Tohono O'odham Nation

free political bonus for Donald Trump if the occasions arise, says James Kidney, a former SEC trial attorney.

The New State AG Landscape

With another election in the books, the state attorney general landscape now takes another turn. Ten states held elections for attorney general last week. Five seats were retained by incumbents and five seats now belong to newcomers. Foley & Lardner LLP litigation partner Jesse Panuccio gives us the breakdown.

In Congress: Lame Duck Session

Following a six-week recess for the contentious campaign season leading up to an outcome that surprised most in Washington, members of the 114th Congress return this week to begin the lame duck session. Beyond the politics and organizing for next year, this session will be dominated by two “must-pass” items of legislation, according to Richard Hertling and Kaitlyn McClure of Covington & Burling LLP.

Marijuana Tipping Point: California And Florida Lead The Way

Last week's election will be viewed as a turning point in the emergence of new economies centered around marijuana. Ballot initiatives around the country resulted in important changes in eight states — with four legalizing adult recreational use of marijuana and another four legalizing medicinal use. Two of the most notable developments are in California and Florida, say Jonathan Robbins and Joshua Mandell of Akerman LLP.

Trump's Impact On Independent Contractor Misclassification

While it's likely that the U.S. Department of Labor may dial down its independent contractor misclassification enforcement efforts when a Republican administration takes over the White House and appoints a new secretary of labor, there is no reason to expect that state labor departments will be any less aggressive in their efforts to crack down on this issue, says Richard Reibstein of Pepper Hamilton LLP.

LEGAL INDUSTRY

Arnold & Porter Set To Merge With Kaye Scholer

Beltway firm Arnold & Porter LLP and New York's Kaye Scholer LLP will merge in the New Year to create a new 1000-lawyer firm, leaders announced Thursday, marking the biggest BigLaw deal of a year.

Hope Flickers For Handful Of GOP-Backed Obama Court Picks

With real estate mogul Donald Trump headed to the White House, Republicans now have little reason to move on any Obama administration pick for a federal bench, but court watchers said a handful of pending nominees still have a shot at confirmation if they can keep the support of Republican senators concerned about vacancies in their home states.

Fear Of 'The Cloud' Hampers Atty Success, Panel Says

Technology is making it cheaper to operate and even launch a new law firm, but succeeding means fully and responsibly embracing “the cloud” as central to your practice, according to a Thursday panel discussion at the New York City Bar Association.

Law360's Weekly Verdict: Legal Lions & Lambs

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The Federal Circuit rejected a \$2 million sanctions request by Toshiba America Inc. against Niro Law Ltd., wrapping up a long-running patent dispute and landing the law firm among this week's legal lions. Not so fortunate were legal lambs Reed Smith LLP and Farrell White & Legg PLLC, whose client American Medical Systems Inc. drew sanctions for issuing a faulty subpoena in violation of a protective order.

How GCs Can Tackle The Vast Online Counterfeiting Problem

Online marketplaces are redefining what it takes to protect a brand, forcing general counsel to divert more resources to anti-counterfeiting efforts and seek out new strategies in what can seem like a costly game of whack-a-mole. Here's what brand owners are doing to cope and what they hope will change.

In Case You Missed It: Hottest Firms And Stories On Law360

For those who missed out, here's a look back at the law firms, stories and expert analyses that generated the most buzz on Law360 last week.

Rainmaker Q&A: Goodwin Procter's Ilan S. Nissan

I prefer to view my business development style as an ability to connect people to people and people to solutions. I find that many law firms have the skills to solve client problems, but few are able to deliver advice in a way that a client can best utilize it, says Ilan Nissan, a senior partner in Goodwin Procter LLP.

Rainmaker Q&A: Norton Rose's Joseph Graham Jr.

If you are not constantly focused on your client's needs, you can bet someone else from a different firm will be. But if you really get to know your client and their position in the ever-changing legal landscape, their successes become your successes, says Joseph Graham Jr., Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP.

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