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Analysis

'Everybody In The Crosshairs' As DOJ Opioid Blitz Gets Real

The U.S. Department of Justice's newest indictment of a painkiller distributor and its executives strongly suggests that the agency has embarked on a calculated criminal crackdown after years of civil enforcement failed to ease the opioid epidemic.

Indictment attached | [Read full article](#) »

Craig Won't Use Ukraine Report From Judge's Firm At Trial

Ex-Skadden partner Gregory Craig indicated Friday he didn't want to introduce at his upcoming trial a Ukraine-focused report authored by lawyers at the former firm of the D.C. federal judge overseeing his criminal case.

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Rep. Asks Feds If DOJ Policy Shielded Trump From Indictment

The head of the House Oversight Committee wants federal prosecutors to explain whether a U.S. Department of Justice policy that bars indicting a sitting president impacted the decision not to indict President Donald Trump following allegations that he violated campaign finance laws by paying off women he had affairs with.

Letter attached | [Read full article](#) »

Ex-Credit Suisse Director Cops To Role In \$2B Loan Fraud

A former Credit Suisse managing director on Friday admitted to his role in a bribery and investor fraud scheme involving \$2 billion in loans to state-backed companies in Mozambique, telling a New York federal judge he conspired to defraud those who invested in the debt.

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Hooper Lundy OK To Rep Husband & Wife In 'Varsity Blues'

A California couple charged in the nationwide college admissions case known as "Varsity Blues" told a Massachusetts federal judge they are comfortable having Hooper Lundy & Bookman PC represent them both, despite several concerns raised by prosecutors during a hearing Friday.

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Courts Bolster Compassionate Release Under First Step

Among the thousands of inmates released because of reforms under the First Step Act, a small group of prisoners have been granted compassionate release this year, many of them taking advantage of a new provision letting them make their case for release in court.

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Palm Beach Sheriff To Probe Epstein Work Release

The Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office announced on Friday an internal investigation into the Florida department's supervision of financier Jeffrey Epstein when he was jailed there a decade ago on sex crime charges, after a lawyer for some of Epstein's alleged victims implied the accused child rapist had abused the privileges of his work release.

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SECURITIES

Judge Won't Let HSBC Hong Kong Kill Discovery In Ponzi Suit

A New York federal judge on Friday said he would not reconsider his decision to order jurisdictional discovery for claims that HSBC's Hong Kong affiliate aided a Ponzi scheme that pulled \$37 million from investors' pockets.

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Engine Maker Execs Inflated Revenues By \$25M, Feds Say

An Illinois-based alternative-energy engine maker's former executives got hit with criminal and civil securities fraud charges Friday over claims they engaged in an accounting fraud scheme that inflated company revenues by \$25 million.

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CFTC Gets \$2.9M Win Against No-Show Alleged Fraudster

A Texas federal judge granted the Commodity Futures Trading Commission a \$2.9 million final judgment on Friday against an alleged fraudster who never appeared in the case or responded to the agency's complaint.

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PUBLIC INTEGRITY

Ex-NSA Contractor Gets 9 Years For Classified Doc Theft

A former National Security Agency contractor was sentenced to nine years in prison on Friday after amassing a hoard of top-secret and other classified documents over the course of roughly two decades, the U.S. Department of Justice announced.

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Analysis

Massachusetts Cases To Watch: Midyear Report

Boston courthouses have been hopping as spring has turned to summer and high-profile white collar cases, the anticipated verdict in a landmark education and employment case, and a pair of cases dealing with courthouse immigration arrests have been filling up the Bay State's dockets. Here, Law360 highlights some of the most important cases to watch in the second half of 2019.

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CYBERSECURITY

Targeted Ransomware Attacks Soar, Symantec Reports

The number of targeted ransomware attacks has skyrocketed in the past year as new attackers have increasingly emerged, cybersecurity giant Symantec Corp. said in a recent report.

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Fraud Ring Posing As Gov't Officials, DHS Watchdog Warns

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Hooper Lundy
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McElroy Deutsch
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The Department of Homeland Security's watchdog has issued an alert about a scheme by an Atlanta-based transnational fraud ring that poses as government procurement officials to steal electronics from unsuspecting contractors.

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After Delay, Pa. Programmer Pleads To Siemens Sabotage

A Pittsburgh-area computer programmer pled guilty in federal court Friday to planting code that would deliberately break programs he'd written under contract with Siemens Corp., after his previous plea hearing was halted in June amid disagreements over whether his motivation should have been considered.

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TRANSPORTATION

2nd Circ. Revives NYC Taxi Drivers' Unfair Suspension Suits

The Second Circuit ruled Friday that New York City's practice of summarily suspending licenses for taxi drivers who've been arrested but not yet convicted deprives them of due process by denying them meaningful opportunities to challenge their suspensions.

Opinion attached | [Read full article »](#)

HEALTH

7th Circ. Affirms 5-Year Sentence For Chiropractor's Fraud

The Seventh Circuit on Thursday upheld a five-year sentence for an Illinois chiropractor found guilty of health care fraud, saying he failed to show evidence of an error that could have gotten him a lighter sentencing recommendation.

Opinion attached | [Read full article »](#)

4 Arrested Over \$10M Medicaid Fraud Via NYC Pharmacy

A New York City pharmacy owner and three of her managers were arrested over a multifaceted scheme that included bribing customers to have their HIV drug prescriptions filled there and over \$10 million in Medicaid fraud, the New York attorney general announced Friday.

Complaint attached | [Read full article »](#)

ENVIRONMENTAL

Judge Chides Carnival Execs To Take Lead On Pollution Fixes

A frustrated Florida federal judge pressed Carnival Corp. leaders Friday to demonstrate their commitment to changing the company's approach after agreeing last month to pay \$20 million for violating a previous settlement for illegal dumping.

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TAX

Banque Bonhôte Pays DOJ \$1.2M More Over US Accounts

Switzerland-based Banque Bonhôte & Cie SA agreed Friday to pay \$1.2 million extra to the U.S. for failing to disclose eight U.S.-related bank accounts with approximately \$33 million in assets when it first struck a nonprosecution agreement in 2015.

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Sens. Seek Info On Appraiser In Easement Donation Probe

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Senate Finance Committee lawmakers said Friday they requested information from an Alabama real estate licensing board about an appraiser who is alleged to have participated in abusive conservation easement transactions that resulted in \$1.8 billion in federal tax deductions.

Letter attached | [Read full article »](#)

PEOPLE

Money Moves: Covington, Weil, Eversheds Sutherland

Covington & Burling LLP snagged a lobbying firm's formal general counsel, Weil Gotshal & Manges LLP added to its London office and Eversheds Sutherland is building out its banking team after a record year — this is Law360's latest roundup of personnel moves in the banking arena.

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LEGAL INDUSTRY

Exclusive

Ailing NFL Players And The Lawyer They Say Swindled Them

The inside story of how an avaricious lawyer, an ex-con and an unlicensed doctor preyed on NFL players in hopes of getting rich off the league's landmark concussion settlement.

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Why Some Straddle The Line Between Law Firm And GC Gigs

Some lawyers take the rare step of simultaneously holding roles at law firms and corporate legal departments. It can mean balancing time commitments and watching out for conflicts, but also richer portfolios of experience for those lawyers — and cost-effective options for companies.

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Law Firms Are Getting Less Of The Corporate Legal Pie

Corporations are moving more work in-house and have increased their reliance on alternative legal service providers, and that trend is expected to continue, according to the results of a survey released Thursday.

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Justice Gorsuch Tells Law Student: Work Hard, Be Kind

Since being sworn in as a U.S. Supreme Court justice in 2017, Justice Neil Gorsuch has already penned several significant opinions for the high court. But on Thursday, a very different piece of his writing drew the attention of thousands online — a letter he sent to a law student who had asked for his advice.

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Former NJ Chief District Judge, 70, Dies After Cancer Battle

U.S. District Judge Jerome B. Simandle, a former chief of New Jersey's federal bench who championed one of the nation's busiest courts amid its ongoing judicial vacancy crisis, has died at 70 after a battle with liver cancer, the Association of the Federal Bar of New Jersey and a longtime colleague said Friday.

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Do Atty Hopefuls With Criminal Records Get A Fair Shake?

Attorney hopefuls must undergo a "moral character" screening that is supposed to protect the public from unscrupulous lawyers, but a new report from Stanford has found that the way bar examiners evaluate criminal records often has little to do with that purpose.

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GC Cheat Sheet: The Hottest Corporate News Of The Week

The U.S. House of Representatives teed up a battle over minimum wage with the U.S. Senate, and groups of state attorneys general pushed for more federal guidance on cannabis as well as competition in labor markets. These are some of the stories in corporate legal news you may have missed in the past week.

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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.

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Podcast

Law360's Pro Say: Remembering Justice Stevens

John Paul Stevens, a liberal icon who spent more than three decades as a justice on the U.S. Supreme Court, died July 16 at the age of 99. On this week's show, Supreme Court reporter Jimmy Hoover breaks down the life and legal legacy of the late justice.

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