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Commentary and Article

Information, Privilege, Opportunity and Insider Trading

Robert W. McGee and Walter E. Block 1

This commentary discusses the economic, ethical and legal aspects of insider trading. The nature of insider trading is explored and the issues are analyzed to determine what part, if any, government should play in the regulation of insider trading.

Hedonic Damages: Properly A Factor Within Pain and Suffering Under 42 U.S.C. Section 1983

Patrick B. Murray 37

This article analyzes the developing trend of awarding damages for the loss of life's pleasures, i.e., "hedonic damages." Although framed within the context of 42 U.S.C. § 1983, the article addresses the underlying tort principles to be considered by all courts when fashioning appropriate remedies. Whether hedonic damages should be awarded in addition to those traditionally granted for pain and suffering and whether courts overstep their authority in this area are considered. This article takes the position that hedonic damages are an illegitimate exercise which result in duplicative recovery for the plaintiff and an attempt to punish the defendant commensurate with the injuries caused.

Bibliography

Fetal Rights - A Bibliography

Rebecca S. Trammell 69

This annotated bibliography, focusing on fetal rights and maternal/fetal conflicts, attempts to identify significant medical and legal journal articles that address these issues from a legal perspective. Articles date from approximately 1970 through 1989.

Comment and Casenote

- Corporate Counsels' Lack of Retaliatory Discharge Action
Nancy K. Renfer 89

This comment examines the denial of a retaliatory discharge cause of action to corporate counsel. Such a denial was the result of judicial concern over the need to protect the attorney-client relationship. The author concludes that, as a result, corporate attorneys have fewer employment rights and protections than any of their fellow employees. This comment advocates three possible solutions through which corporate counsel may maintain a retaliatory discharge action.

- Coy v. Iowa: The Effect of a Face-to-Face Confrontation Requirement on Statutes Shielding Child Witnesses
Janet D. Glick 109

This note examines the Supreme Court's decision which precludes the use of a screen to obstruct a witness' view of the defendant during a criminal trial. Although the Court attached great importance to the psychological impact of facing the accused, this note concludes the Coy decision will not serve to prohibit obstructing a witness' view of the defendant when such measures are found necessary to protect the witness.

Book Review

- Law, Medicine, and Social Justice. Larry I. Palmer
reviewed by Todd D. Volker 149

This review examines the recent book by Larry I. Palmer, Vice-President for Academic Programs and Professor of Law at Cornell University. The book itself, an analysis of the interplay between law and medicine in light of contemporary advances in health care, offers a social, "institutional" approach for dealing with the problems presented by recent medical developments. According to Volker, Palmer's work makes great strides toward practical answers to some of the more pressing moral questions of our time.

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