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[The \\$4.3B Question Over What Terrorist Victims Can Recoup](#)

The U.S. Supreme Court during oral arguments on Monday will be asked to create a clearer path to punitive damages in certain cases involving state sponsors of terrorism. It's just the latest chapter in a case that highlights the decadeslong legal battles that terrorist victims and their families often face in trying to recoup damages.

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Analysis

[Ex-Felons In Fla. Race Against Clock To Vote In 2020](#)

Former felons in the Sunshine State who are fighting a requirement that they pay all outstanding fines and fees before being able to vote may have scored a recent win at the Eleventh Circuit, but with just eight months to go before the general election and the state vowing to battle on, time may be running out for them to cast a ballot in 2020.

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Analysis

[ABA Says Industry Regs Need A Rethink, But Will It Matter?](#)

The passage of a revised American Bar Association resolution intended to encourage a new look at legal industry regulation and increase access to justice represents a major step forward, even in the absence of any recommended changes on nonlawyer participation in the market, some experts say.

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[How Attys Can Help Dismantle The School-To-Prison Pipeline](#)

As the rise of school shootings spurs an increase in spending on school police officers, experts at a recent conference said students need more due process protections when those officers handle routine disciplinary matters: Police

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involvement, they said, should mean attorney involvement too.

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Coin Toss: Are Risk-Measuring Tools Accurate Enough?

Most of the algorithms used to assess someone's risk of recidivism before they are released on bail are correct about 60 and 70% of the time — better than a coin flip, but still prone to misclassification, especially in cases that involve people of color. The tools' potential for error has left stakeholders clashing over their use.

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Debt-Based License Suspensions Get Fresh Scrutiny In NY

New York lawmakers are taking a closer look at doing away with driver's license suspensions based on debt, which a New York Law School report this month determined disproportionately impacts minority motorists.

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Homeboy Industries' Harati On Giving People A Fresh Start

As the director of legal services for LA-based Homeboy Industries, Donna Harati helps former gang members and convicted felons rejoin society by working with them on expungements, custody disputes and more. Here, Harati discusses traffic fines, trauma and finding reasons to smile during tough situations.

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Perspectives

Justice Denied For A NY Domestic Violence Survivor

New York's Domestic Violence Survivors Justice Act was enacted to reduce sentences for people like Nicole Addimando, who was just given 19 years to life in prison for killing her sadistically abusive partner, so the court's failure to apply it here raises the question of whether it will be applied at all, say Ross Kramer and Nicole Fidler at Sanctuary for Families.

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Perspectives

Book Review: A Lawyer Reflects On Defending Guilty People

In her new book, "Guilty People," Abbe Smith successfully conveys that seeing ourselves in people who commit crime may be the first step to exacting change in our justice system, says U.S. District Judge Diane Humetewa of the District of Arizona.

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