

For the International Municipal Lawyer's Association - IMLA's 5 things to know for February 22nd

1. In the State of Washington, an intermediate appellate court concluded that a public official's post to facebook and the facebook page can be public records under the state's public records act. However, where the public official is not acting within her official capacity when making posts, those posts are not public records.

<https://www.courts.wa.gov/opinions/pdf/D2%2049857-0-II%20Published%20Opinion.pdf>

2. During the argument on Tuesday in the case of Hays Kansas vs Vogt there was an interesting exchange between the Chief Justice and Justice Breyer over a question that Justice Breyer asked regarding matters not in the record. While the exchange seemed testy, the two seemingly made up and the question for all of us and the court is whether the issue of using a supposedly forced statement from a police officer constitutes compelled testimony against oneself under the Fifth Amendment.

<http://www.scotusblog.com/2018/02/argument-analysis-vogt-argument-suggests-narrow-ruling-even-dig/>

3. In Philadelphia, IMLA Board Member, City Solicitor Sozi Tulante has resigned to take a position at Penn Law and the chief of litigation Marcel Pratt has been appointed to take his place. Congratulations to Marcel and to Sozi.

<https://www.bizjournals.com/philadelphia/news/2018/02/21/city-solicitor-sozi-pedro-tulante-marcel-pratt.html>

4. In Riverside California there appears to be an interesting issue of whether the Mayor can veto a contract for the City Manager that has been approved by the council.

<https://www.pe.com/2018/02/20/split-riverside-city-council-stands-by-view-that-mayor-cant-veto-city-managers-contract/>

5. Yesterday, the 6th Circuit concluded that Tennessee's residency requirements to hold a liquor license violate the Constitution despite the 21st Amendment. It was a 2-1 decision.

<http://www.opn.ca6.uscourts.gov/opinions.pdf/18a0035p-06.pdf>

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