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CB 2017-01	1/06/2017	<i>District Court Halts Implementation of Section 1557 Regulations Concerning "Gender Identity"</i>
CB 2017-02	1/09/2017	<i>Treasury Approves First MPRA Suspension Application Iron Workers Local 17 Pension Fund Gets it Right</i>
BNB 2017-03	1/12/2017	<i>DOL Publishes ACA FAQs Part 35 HHS Sets 2018 MOOP Limit</i>
CB 2017-04	1/19/2017	<i>DOL Publishes Final Regulation Concerning Disability Claims and Appeals Procedures</i>
BNB 2017-05	1/24/2017	<i>IRS Publishes 2016 List of Amendments Required by Qualified Retirement Plans</i>
BNB 2017-06	1/27/2017	<i>2017 SBC Forms Required for 1st Plan Year Beginning on or after April 1, 2017 Distributing SBC's - Determining What is the "Coverage Period"?</i>
BNB 2017-07	1/31/2017	<i>President Issues Executive Order in First Step to Change the ACA</i>
BNB 2017-08	2/03/2017	<i>DOL Fact Sheet on MHPAEA Investigations Helpful Reminder of Parity Rules</i>
BNB 2017-09	2/08/2017	<i>Iron 17 Pension Plan Voters In Favor of MPRA Suspensions Eligible Voters Overwhelmingly Approve Plan to Save Fund</i>
BNB 2017-10	2/10/2017	<i>Alternative Pension Plan Designs</i>
BNB 2017-11	2/14/2017	<i>Four GOP Legislative Alternatives to the ACA</i>
BNB 2017-12	2/17/2017	<i>Failure to Provide Timely Notice of Breach of PHI Costs Covered Entity \$475,000</i>
BNB 2017-13	2/21/2017	<i>PBGC Announces 2017 Premium Filing Information</i>
BNB 2017-14	3/03/2017	<i>DOL Updates Guidance on Proxy Voting By Employee Benefit Plans</i>

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BNB 2017-15	3/07/2017	<i>DOL Issues Final Equal Employment Opportunity in Apprenticeship Plans Regulations - First Update Since 1978 - Affects JATC Plans</i>
BNB 2017-16	3/10/2017	<i>Road Carriers Local 707 Pension Fund Goes Insolvent Benefit Payments Cut to PBGC Guaranteed Levels</i>
CB 2017-17	3/13/2017	<i>House GOP Releases Draft "American Health Care Act" Bill</i>
BNB 2017-18	3/15/2017	<i>Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals Upholds Michigan's Health Insurance Claims Assessment Act</i> <i>Supreme Court Declines to Review the Case</i>
BNB 2017-19	3/23/2017	<i>HHS FAQs Identify SBCs and HIPAA Privacy Notices as "Significant Communications" Requiring the Nondiscrimination Notice and Taglines</i> <i>Applies Only to Plans Covered By Section 1557</i>
BNB 2017-20	3/29/2017	<i>USPSTF Reissues a Number of Preventive Services Recommendations</i> <i>Affects Non-Grandfathered Group Health Plans</i>
BNB 2017-21	3/31/2017	<i>DOL Updates Civil Monetary Penalties Under ERISA</i>
BNB 2017-22	4/05/2017	<i>Informal MPRA Tips from Treasury, PBGC and DOL Courtesy of the American Academy of Actuaries</i>
BNB 2017-23	4/13/2017	<i>PBGC Proposes to Expand Missing Participants Program to Terminated Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plans and Defined Contribution Plans</i>
CB 2017-24	4/19/2017	<i>Cybersecurity Considerations for Pension & Welfare Plans</i> <i>Advice from the ERISA Advisory Council for Plan Sponsors</i>
BNB 2017-25	4/27/2017	<i>Proposed 2017 Form 5500, Instructions and Schedules Posted Online and Under Review at OMB</i>
BNB 2017-26	5/04/2017	<i>Posthumous QDROs and Nunc Pro Tunc Orders</i> <i>What's a Plan to Do? One Court's Analysis</i>

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BNB 2017-27	5/05/2017	<i>Next PCORI Fee Due By July 31, 2017</i>
BNB 2017-28	5/11/2017	<i>EWL: The Partial Liability Credit and the 20-Year Cap The Demise of PBGC Op. Ltr. 85-4</i>
BNB 2017-29	5/16/2017	<i>Status Update on MPRA Filings After the Approval of Ironworkers Local 17 Pension Fund Application</i>
BNB 2017-30	5/17/2017	<i>Sen. Sanders and Rep. Kaptur's Multiemployer Pension Bill "Keeping Our Pension Promises Act"</i>
BNB 2017-31	5/19/2017	<i>AICPA Issues Exposure Draft on Auditing Financial Statements of ERISA-Governed Employee Benefit Plans</i>
BNB 2017-32	5/24/17	<i>House Passes American Health Care Act</i>
BNB 2017-33	5/26/17	<i>"Union-Mandated" Withdrawal Possible Grounds for Relief From Employer Withdrawal Liability?</i>
BNB 2017-34	6/02/17	<i>PBGC's 2018 Proposed Budget Proposes Variable Rate and Exit Premiums for Multiemployer Plans, Raises \$21 Billion Over 10 Years</i>
BNB 2017-35	6/06/17	<i>USPSTF Reissues Preventive Services Recommendation Affects Non-Grandfathered Group Health Plans</i>
BNB 2017-36	6/14/17	<i>More on the Proposed PBGC Multiemployer Premiums</i>
RM 2017-37	6/23/17	<i>Contributing Employer Sues Pension Trustees Under ERISA to Void Rehab Plan Amendment Charging Withdrawing Employers An Extra Withdrawal Assessment</i>
BNB 2017-38	6/28/17	<i>Stop-Loss Provider's Million Dollar Claims Report Details Increase in Number and Size of Large Claims</i>
RM 2017-39	6/30/17	<i>7th Circuit Case Highlights Split in Circuits on Effect of Decertification of Union to an Employer's Duty to Continue Contributing Under the CBA</i>

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BNB 2017-40	7/05/2017	<i>HHS Quick-Response Cyber-Attack Checklist For HIPAA Covered Entities And Business Associates</i>
BNB 2017-41	7/07/2017	<i>ACA FAQ on the Application of MHPAEA to Treatment of Eating Disorders</i>
BNB 2017-42	7/14/2017	<i>COBRA Case Highlights Importance of Proper Records</i>
SB 2017-43	7/19/2017	<i>New MPRA Application Revenue Procedure Released Applies to Applications Made On or After 9/1/2017</i>
BNB 2017-44	7/28/2017	<i>Treasury Approves Another MPRA Suspension Application</i> <i>PBGC Also Approves Plan's Partition Request</i>
BNB 2017-45	8/03/2017	<i>PBGC Asks for Input on Its Regulations</i>
BNB 2017-46	8/10/2017	<i>PBGC Projection: Multiemployer Program Likely Insolvent by the End of 2025</i>
BNB 2017-47	8/15/2017	<i>Ninth Circuit Court Affirms Multiemployer Pension Fund's Withholding of First \$1 per Hour of Employer Contributions from Traveler Violated the Plan and the Reciprocal Agreement</i>
BNB 2017-48	8/18/2017	<i>Treasury Approves Another MPRA Suspension Application</i>
CB 2017-49	8/25/2017	<i>7th Circuit Reverses Itself and Holds Title VII Prohibits Discrimination on the Basis of Sexual Orientation</i>
BNB 2017-50	8/30/2017	<i>United Furniture Workers Pension Participants Vote to Approve MPRA Benefit Suspensions</i>
RM 2017-51	9/1/2017	<i>District Court Holds No Private Right Of Action To Enforce The ACA's "Nondiscrimination Against Providers" Acting In The Scope Of Their License</i>
SB 2017-52	9/5/2017	<i>IRS/DOL/PBGC Relief for Benefit Plans, Businesses and Individual Victims of Hurricane Harvey</i>
BNB 2017-53	9/8/2017	<i>PBGC to Provide Early Financial Assistance to Furniture Workers Multiemployer Pension Plan</i>
BNB 2017-54	9/13/2017	<i>7th Circuit Becomes Second Court of Appeals to Uphold ERISA Plan's Forum-Selection Clause</i>

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SB 2017-55	9/15/2017	<i>IRS/DOL/PBGC Relief for Benefit Plans, Businesses and Individual Victims of Hurricane Irma</i>
BNB 2017-56	9/20/2017	<i>A Disability Benefit is Based On An SSA Determination But The Plan Retains Discretion To Terminate The Benefit</i> <i>Do the New Disability Claims Regulations Apply?</i>
BNB 2017-57	9/22/2017	<i>GOP Senators Introduce Legislation To Use Block Grants To Replace ACA Funding To States For Health Care</i> <i>Sen. Bernie Sanders Introduces his "Medicare for All" Plan</i>
BNB 2017-58	9/27/2017	<i>New York Teamsters Pension Participants Vote to Approve MPRA Benefit Suspensions</i>
BNB 2017-59	10/4/2017	<i>New HIPAA Breach Reporting Tool Released</i> <i>October is National Cybersecurity Awareness Month</i>
BNB 2017-60	10/11/2017	<i>IRS Publishes Final ACA Reporting Forms and Instructions</i>
BNB 2017-61	10/16/2017	<i>DOL Proposes 90-Day Delay to Disability Claims Regulation</i> <i>HHS Withdraws Proposed Rule Requiring HIPAA EDI Compliance Testing</i>
BNB 2017-62	10/19/2017	<i>American Miners Pension Act Bills Introduced Into House and Senate to Aid 1974 UMWA Pension Plan</i> <i>Multiemployer Plan PBGC Premiums Remain \$28 in 2018</i>
BNB 2017-63	10/26/2017	<i>A \$495,000 Air Ambulance Bill vs. Anti-Assignment Clause</i>
BNB 2017-64	10/27/2017	<i>IRS Sets PCORI Fee At \$2.39 Per Covered Life</i>
BNB 2017-65	11/2/2017	<i>IRS Audit Guidance on Missing Persons and RMDs</i>
BNB 2017-66	11/3/2017	<i>Employer Cannot Sue Pension Fund Under ERISA to Contest Amendment To Rehab Plan</i>
BNB 2017-67	11/7/2017	<i>Treasury Approves Another MPRA Suspension Application</i> <i>IAM Motor City Pension Plan Approved on First Submission</i>

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BNB 2017-68	11/10/2017	<i>New Medicare Cards Will Not Use Social Security Numbers</i>
BNB 2017-69	11/14/2017	<i>District Court Upholds Arbitrator's Decision that PPA Funding Contributions Must Be Reciprocated</i>
BNB 2017-70	11/20/2017	<i>USPSTF Reissues Two Preventive Services Recommendations Affects Non-Grandfathered Group Health Plans</i>
RM 2017-71	11/21/2017	<i>Court Holds Trust and SPD Constitute "Plan Document"</i>
CB 2017-72	11/27/2017	<i>Disability Claims Procedures Delayed Until April 1, 2018</i>
BNB 2017-73	11/29/2017	<i>Can A Multiemployer Plan Pay Secondary To An "HDHP"? If So, What About The HSA?</i>
BNB 2017-74	12/4/2017	<i>PBGC Fiscal Year 2017 Annual Report Largest Deficit in PBGC History!! (again)</i>
CB 2017-75	12/6/2017	<i>Multiemployer Pension Loan Program Bills Introduced</i>
BNB 2017-76	12/11/2017	<i>IRS Updates FAQs on ALEs Responsible for Paying Employer Mandate Assessments</i>
BNB 2017-77	12/13/2017	<i>Advance Copies of 2017 Form 5500, Instructions and Schedules Released</i>
BNB 2017-78	12/18/2017	<i>IRS Publishes 2017 List of Amendment Required by Qualified Retirement Plans</i>
BNB 2017-79	12/20/2017	<i>OCR Cybersecurity Tips: Insider Threats and Termination Procedures</i>
RM 2017-80	12/27/2017	<i>Failure of SMM To Clearly Communicate Benefit Limit Rendered Change Inapplicable to Participant SPDs, SMMs, and Clear Communications</i>
BNB 2017-81	12/29/2017	<i>DOL Posts Guidance on Assistance for Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria and California Wildfires</i>