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TODAY'S TOP OPINION

Domestic Relations - Divorce Court Can't Order Foreclosure

A Loudoun County judge says he can't order a public or private sale of a couple's home, and ordering them to let the home go into foreclosure is "abhorrent to the whole equitable distribution scheme," so the judge leaves them where they stand – upside down on their mortgages.
Reidy v. Reidy (VLW 009-8-218) (14 pp.)

NEWS FROM ACROSS VIRGINIA

Virginia law schools report bar pass rates

Most Virginia law schools handily beat the statewide percentage for graduates passing the bar exam on their first try this past July. Virginia Lawyers Weekly has details.

Jurors expect tech, but still want evidence 'live'

You may save money by having your witnesses testify by video deposition but at a significant cost in terms of juror attention and respect for your case, reports Virginia Lawyers Weekly.

Jury hits county with \$9 million verdict

A judge determined Campbell County was liable for pollution. Now a jury puts the tab at \$9 million, reports The News & Advance.

THE LATEST FROM OUR BLOGS

Supreme Court decides appeals by order

The trial court erred in granting contributory negligence instructions for a Montgomery County farmer who allowed his Black Angus cow to stray onto Route 8 in the dark, the Supreme Court of Virginia ruled last week in an unpublished order.

Election eve campaign conflicts emerge

It's almost guaranteed — nearly every football game features at least one angry coach yelling about a referee's call. In scenes not far removed, the week before election day always seems to bring a spate of campaign dramas.

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