Employers Appeal OSHA Virus Citations at Five Times Typical Rate

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Jim Sullivan was quoted in *Bloomberg Law* discussing employers filing appeals of COVID-19 citations with OSHA. Jim said employers may want to challenge OSHA assertions about where employees were infected, because it's often hard to prove where a person contracted the virus. This could be an issue in cases where OSHA cited employers for not including COVID-19 illnesses or deaths in their OSHA-mandated records of on-the-job infections or for not quickly notifying the agency of a worker's death or hospitalization when the virus was believed to have been contracted at work. "The burden of proof is on OSHA to show that it is work-related," he said.

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