Matthew Deffebach in Bloomberg Law: Trump Presidency has Little Impact on Worker Safety Inspections

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Haynes Boone Partner Matthew Deffebach was quoted in a *Bloomberg Law* article about the little change the Occupational Safety and Health Administration has seen in workplace safety inspections under President Trump's administration.

Here is an excerpt:

Occupational Safety and Health Administration inspectors conducted 32,020 inspections in fiscal 2018, down 1 percent from fiscal year 2017, according to agency.

However, the fiscal 2018 total is higher than for the final full year of the Obama administration, fiscal year 2016, when the agency made 31,948 inspections. …

Matthew Deffebach, a partner at Haynes Boone in Houston, said that while there have been some policy changes sought by employers, such as the recent directive allowing cash and gift incentives for safety programs, inspections haven't changed.

"Regarding enforcement, it feels like another day in the office when comparing client interactions on enforcement from Obama to Trump administrations," Deffebach told *Bloomberg Law*.

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