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Personnel

Use of force, mitigation.

A correction officer was charged with using excessive force against an inmate and submitting a false report.

[*Dep't of Correction v. Ward*](#), OATH Index No. 2137/18 (Dec. 31, 2018).

[Read more about *Dep't of Correction v. Ward*](#)

Real property

Loft Law coverage recommended.

Residential tenant, who lives in a four-story brownstone with a store on the first floor and a residential unit on each of the other three floors, sought findings that the building is covered by the Loft Law and that he is the protected occupant of his unit.

[*Matter of Pichler*](#), OATH Index No. 782/18 (Dec. 5, 2018).

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