

Verdict Bulletin

Verdict rendered on May 6, 2024

Case Name: 510 Pacific Ave, et al. v. Amy Rebecca Weiss, et al. (BC667829)

The case was in the Los Angeles Superior court.

Cause(s) of action: Invasion of privacy

Plaintiff, represented by Okorie Okorocha, sought emotion distress damages only, but had no medical records or a mental health provider or expert witness, which makes this verdict truly remarkable, and no other attorney is known to have ever obtained such a high verdict.

Jury Verdict: \$1,300,000 plus a finding of fraud oppression and/or malice, which triggered the need for a punitive damage phase phase.

JUDGE:

Highly experienced Hon. Maureen Duffy-Lewis

ATTORNEYS:

Plaintiff:

Okorie C. Okorocha, M.S., M.S., ESQ. (The Okorocha Firm)

Defendant:

Louis P. Dell (Law Office of Louis P. Dell)

FACTS: Amy Weiss, 26 years old, at the time she leased an apartment from defendant 10 years ago, moved into a rent-controlled apartment in Venice from defendant Kim Lu.

Length: 12 days

POLL: 12-0

DELIBERATION: five hours

INJURIES: Plaintiff claimed emotional distress.

DAMAGES: \$1.3 million in general damages and a settlement of the punitive damages of \$700,000, for a total stipulated judgment of \$2 million.

Defendant and cross-complainant, Amy Weiss filed an action against cross-defendant Lu for intrusion into private affairs and other related torts. The jury returned a verdict of \$1.3 million plus punitive damages.