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Oakland/East Bay Office's Demurrer Sustained for Ambulance Company Based on MICRA's One-Year Statute of Limitations

Andrew J. Kozlow and Andrew J. Chan secured a nominal settlement for an ambulance company following Ericksen Arbuthnot's demurrer based on California's Medical Injury Compensation Reform Act's ("MICRA") one-year statute of limitations.

The suit was brought for negligence and products liability by a patient for alleged injuries from a gurney drop during transport to a hospital.

The Ambulance Company's demurrer was based MICRA's one-year statute of limitations for actions against health care providers pursuant to C.C.P. § 340.5, which applies to emergency medical technicians and ambulance personnel when transporting a patient to or from a medical facility.

The Court agrees and sustained the demurrer with leave to amend. Thereafter, the parties settled for a nominal amount.

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