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1. LLC Veil

While a shareholder's creditor cannot pierce a corporate veil to require his corporation to pay his bills, the rule does not apply to limited liability companies which can be compelled to pay a member's creditors.

2. Construction

A contractor repaired a County road damaged by "land failure," but the County could refuse to pay him because, although a "County employee" orally agreed to the repair, there was no written contract or bid procedure as required by law.

3. Commercial Leases

A bank acquired a shopping center tenant's lease through foreclosure and transferred it to a third party. Landlord sued the bank to enforce the lease, but lost, because the bank had not "expressly assumed" the lease obligations.

4. Confusing Mortgage

A party bought foreclosure property, but the foreclosed owners challenged the buyer to prove it purchased from the lawfully proper party under the ambiguous title documentation. Homeowners won.

5 Football Helmets

When former players sued a manufacturer for head injuries, it sued its insurers for defense and coverage and sought an order preventing insurer discovery relating to liability before the injury claims were resolved. The manufacturer won because the requested information could influence the players' cases.

6. Public Age Discrimination

A state fire district is a legal employer under the Age Discrimination Law and subject to its requirements.

7. Vexatious Litigant

Although a court declared a man "vexatious" and required to follow certain pre-filing court procedures, those requirements do not apply to his mother.

8. Disability Discrimination

A disabled person sued a City because certain public facilities did not provide sufficient access. He won because the law applies even to public rights-of-way and parks.

9. Lawyer is Sued

When an undocumented worker sued for workplace violations, the company's lawyer arranged to have him deported from an office deposition. The worker sued the lawyer for improper retaliation and won the right to a trial.

10. Diving Boards

After a real estate customer stepped on one, it broke and he fell into an empty pool. He sued the broker for his injuries, but lost, because he had only alleged that the pool, not the board, was negligently maintained.

This office serves as a "lawyer of first resort" advocating for small businesses and individuals with disputes and transactions, including accident victims by referral only. We specialize in personalized client service. If we can be of any assistance with your legal issues, consider contacting us as soon as a question is identified. Your recent referrals have been greatly appreciated.

Remember: Preventative lawyering is the most effective kind.

Sincerely,

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