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WALKER WILCOX OBTAINS JUDGMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPERTY OWNER IN PREMISE LIABILITY LAWSUIT

Walker Wilcox obtained victory on behalf of a property owner after a four day arbitration concerning a short-term rental property in Kansas City, Missouri. The lawsuit was initially filed in the Circuit Court of Jackson County, Missouri, but Walker Wilcox was successful in its efforts to compel arbitration, which transferred the lawsuit to the American Arbitration Association (AAA). During the arbitration, Claimant argued that the property owner breached a duty based on numerous building code violations that resulted in inadequate lighting at the property. As a result of the inadequate lighting, Claimant fell down steps at the property and suffered a severe leg injury, with vascular damage, and sought damages in excess of $2.5 million. After arbitration, the arbitrator found that Claimant's injuries were not the result of a building code violation and that the property owner was not liable to the Claimant for his injuries.