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Gershom (Koby) Koomson defends established businesses in all aspects of civil litigation. His practice focuses on defense claims involving general liability, premises liability, complex tort, and personal injury. Koby effectively handles all stages of litigation, appearing on behalf of clients before state and federal courts.

Prior to joining Wilson Elser, Koby worked at a boutique Southern California firm, where he gained valuable experience in labor and employment matters, general liability litigation, and insurance defense. During and after law school, Koby was a law clerk at an international British-American business law firm focused on providing legal services to corporations and financial institutions.

Education

- Tulane Law School (J.D., 2022)
- Amherst College (B.A., 2014)

Bar Admissions

- California

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court, Central District of California
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of California

Professional Affiliations

- John M. Langston Bar Association

Services

- Complex Tort & General Casualty
- Insurance & Reinsurance Defense

- Los Angeles County Bar Association
- Beverly Hills Bar Association

Client Wins

Campos and Koomson Secure Summary Judgment in High-Exposure Firearm Negligence Case

Gershom “Koby” Koomson Jr. (Associate-Los Angeles, CA) and Victor M. Campos (Of Counsel-Los Angeles, CA) secured summary judgment in Stanislaus County Superior Court, Modesto, California, on behalf of Wilson Elser’s security officer clients. The plaintiff in this matter alleged negligent use of a firearm after being shot during an encounter with our clients. The security officers responded to an alarm call at an elementary/middle school where the plaintiff was unlawfully present. The security officers engaged the plaintiff to stop suspected criminal activity. However, rather than comply, the plaintiff jumped into his vehicle and nearly ran over one of the security officers; he then attempted to run over the other as he fled the scene. Faced with an immediate threat to life, our client discharged his firearm, striking the plaintiff.

Following nearly two years of litigation – including extensive motion practice, jailhouse interviews, and challenging interactions with the plaintiff’s counsel, Koby and Victor successfully refuted the plaintiff’s claims. In particular, they successfully defended against the plaintiff’s arguments for statute of limitations tolling based on COVID-19 emergency orders and capitalized on critical procedural missteps in the plaintiff’s case. As a result, the court granted summary judgment in favor of our clients, defeating the plaintiff’s \$3 million demand.