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Victor Campos is an accomplished trial lawyer who represents businesses and individuals in every aspect of civil litigation, from inception through trial. His practice focuses on the defense of claims related to complex commercial liability, motor vehicle liability, premises liability and personal injury litigation.

Victor has obtained defense jury verdicts and moved for summary judgment in favor of defendants in general liability lawsuits. He also has successfully defended first-party arbitration hearings, and routinely negotiates favorable settlements in high-exposure, multi-party matters. Before joining Wilson Elser, Victor was a Field Legal Counsel at Liberty Mutual Insurance.

Prior to practicing law, Victor gained more than 20 years of leadership experience in retail management. He is proud to have served in the United States Navy. In addition, Victor served as a mentor and debate coach for NJ LEEP, Inc. at Seton Hall Law School for a number of years, where he worked with youth from underrepresented communities to help develop their skills with an eye toward higher education.

Education

- Seton Hall University School of Law (J.D., 2013)
 - Latin American Law Students Association (LALSA)
 - Intellectual Property Law Association (IPLA)
 - Health Law Forum
- Keller Graduate School of Management (M.B.A., 2007)
- University of California, Berkeley (B.A. Industrial Engineering and Operational Research, Applied Mathematics, 1999)

Services

- Commercial Litigation
- Insurance & Reinsurance Defense
- Professional Liability & Services

Bar Admissions

- California
- New York

Languages

- Spanish

Client Wins

Campos Obtains Terminating Sanctions, Case Dismissed

Victor Campos (Of Counsel-Los Angeles, CA) prevailed on behalf of our client, a national operator of bowling centers, in a case in which we have been involved since November 2021. While Mr. Campos handled the case for the past two years, Carole Buckner (Partner-San Diego, CA) and Andrew Sewell (Of Counsel-Los Angeles, CA) previously worked up the case, enabling this huge team win for the Client. Plaintiff fell in a client-owned bowling alley, breaking her right shoulder and left leg. She underwent surgery to repair both fractures. Years of discovery ensued, including expert discovery. In 2024, the team filed an MSJ, which the Court denied. Subsequently, they continued to aggressively defend the case, pushing for essential discovery from Plaintiff. They filed and won two motions to compel and were awarded sanctions. Plaintiff did not conform to the Court's orders, so they filed a Motion for Contempt and for Terminating Sanctions. The Court granted the Motion for Terminating Sanctions and dismissed the case with prejudice.

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.

Shrestha, Campos, and MacManus Obtain Summary Judgment for Security Company in High-Exposure Matter

Rosy Shrestha (Associate-Los Angeles), Victor M. Campos (Of Counsel-Los Angeles), and Carlos E. MacManus (Of Counsel-Los Angeles) secured summary judgment in the Superior Court of California, Los Angeles County, for Wilson Elser's security guard company client. The plaintiff, a security guard employed by our client, was working at a dialysis center. His regular duties included opening the center for employees and customers. On the date of the subject incident, the plaintiff used a crowbar from his personal vehicle to open the sliding metallic gate. The gate fell on his leg, shattering his ankle and causing severe vascular damage. The plaintiff alleges vascular issues, which are creating ongoing exposure well in excess of seven figures, with the plaintiff's last demand at mediation at \$4,000,000. Rosy and Carlos crafted a meritorious argument establishing that our client was entitled to summary judgment because the undisputed facts established that the plaintiff was not performing any work for the security company when the accident occurred, as his attempted repair of the gate fell outside his duties and responsibilities as a security guard. The court agreed and granted Wilson Elser's motion for summary judgment, a significant win in a jurisdiction where summary judgment victories are notoriously rare.