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Dickie McCamey Wins Dismissal in Bad Faith Case

Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote attorneys **Charles E. Haddick, Jr.** and **Christine L. Line** won a dismissal in favor of client Harleysville Insurance Companies in the bad faith case of *Rogers Flooring Co. v. Harleysville Ins. Co.*, Berks County No. 14-674 (Sprecher, J.). On January 19, 2016, the Berks County, Pennsylvania, Court of Common Pleas granted the motion for summary judgment filed by Haddick and Line in a bad faith suit arising out of a commercial property coverage dispute over an alleged van theft and fire involving business personal property. Haddick and Line are members of the firm's **Insurance Law and Litigation Group**.

Harleysville did not dispute it owed coverage for the value of the van, substitute van rental expense, and for the value of certain business personal property under an inland marine policy. It did contest, however, the Plaintiff's claimed entitlement to a variety of other sums for towing, vehicle storage, loss of business income, and claims for tool losses in excess of the policy limit. The Court agreed that the additional claims were unsupported by the policy language.

The Court also agreed with Harleysville's position that, regardless of the outcome of the several coverage claims, the claims decisions made were made with reasonable legal and factual bases. As a result, the Plaintiff's bad faith claims were dismissed as well.

For additional details on the ruling, or suggestions on how to have your coverage and bad faith claims decided faster and more favorably with greater cost control, contact us at chaddick@dmclaw.com or 717-731-4800.

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