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**First District Court of Appeal Affirms
Walton County Jury Verdict In Favor
of Employer in Discrimination Case**

After an oral argument in Tallahassee, the First District Court of Appeal issued an opinion on July 15, 2011 affirming a jury's verdict in favor of Legendary, Inc., a Destin, Florida based business. Legendary had been accused of discriminating against a former employee because of a disability. A Walton County jury absolved Legendary from any liability after a 2010 trial. The former employee appealed.

Legendary was represented in the appeal by Patrick McCarthy of Matthews Jones & Hawkins, LLP.

According to Mr. McCarthy, "The court of appeal saw the case for what it was and reached the right result, as did the Walton County jury. Legendary is glad to have this matter behind them."

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