

New Orleans Attorneys Obtain Summary Judgment in Premises Liability Case

A Louisiana state court recently entered summary judgment in favor of the firm's client, a New Orleans hotel, on the grounds that the hotel did not owe a duty to protect plaintiffs from third-party criminal activity. New Orleans attorneys James Prather and Mark Seamster successfully argued that the crime encountered by plaintiffs was not foreseeable since the hotel did not have a history of similar criminal activity on its premises. Because Louisiana businesses only owe a duty to protect others from third-party criminal activity that is reasonably foreseeable, the court dismissed the case against the hotel.

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