

SUMMARY STATEMENT

Stibal, dba ThetaHealing Institute of Knowledge, Inc. v. Fano – Docket No. 40427

In a case arising out of Bonneville County, the Idaho Supreme Court reversed in part and affirmed in part the judgment of the district court. Vianna Stibal and ThetaHealing Institute of Knowledge, Inc., brought a suit against April Fano and Right Way Publishing, LLC, for damages related to Fano's alleged breach of a Release Agreement between Stibal and Fano. Following a bench trial, the district court found Fano and Right Way Publishing liable for breach and entered a judgment awarding Stibal actual and punitive damages and attorney's fees and costs. Fano appealed to this Court. The Court held that the district court's finding of breach of contract by Fano was not supported by substantial and competent evidence. Therefore, the Court reversed the district court's judgment against Fano. The Court also remanded the case for the district court to award Fano attorney's fees and costs below. Right Way Publishing did not file a timely notice of appeal, and the Court affirmed the district court's decisions as to Right Way Publishing.