SUMMARY STATEMENT

Jones v. Lynn, Docket No. 46735

The Idaho Supreme Court affirmed a district court's dismissal of Appellants' claims based on their failure to comply with the notice requirements of Idaho's Dram Shop Act. Appellants had filed a federal maritime wrongful death case against Respondent Tracy Lynn, alleging she recklessly and tortiously caused the death of a sixteen year old boy (Appellant Brandi Jones' son and Appellant Dasha Drahos' brother) by providing him with alcohol before he drowned in Lake Coeur d'Alene. Lynn filed a motion for summary judgment, asking the district court to dismiss the case because the Appellants failed to comply with the notice requirements under Idaho's Dram Shop Act. The district court agreed and granted Lynn's motion for summary judgment after concluding there was no uniform body of federal maritime dram shop law that would preempt Idaho's Dram Shop Act. Thus, the Plaintiffs had to comply with the Dram Shop Act's notice requirements. The Idaho Supreme Court affirmed.

This summary constitutes no part of the opinion of the Court, but has been prepared by court staff for the convenience of the public.