BOISE, FRIDAY, MAY 10, 2024 AT 8:50 A.M.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

ROBERTA ANN EVANS,)
) Docket No. 50094
Plaintiff-Appellant,)
)
V.)
MARK B. WRIGHT, M.D., ST. LUKE'S)
MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL)
CENTER, LTD.,)
)
Defendants-Respondents.)

Appeal from the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District, State of Idaho, Twin Falls County. Michael P. Tribe, District Judge.

Points Law, PLLC, Boise, for Appellant.

Tolman Brizee & Cannon, P.C., Twin Falls, for Respondent Mark B. Wright.

Quane McColl, PLLC, Boise, for Respondent St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

This is an appeal of a medical malpractice case. Roberta Evans had a total hip replacement surgery by Dr. Mark B. Wright at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. After experiencing persistent pain, she sought a second opinion. She was diagnosed with an abnormally anteverted hip bone socket and significant periprosthetic joint infection. Evans filed a lawsuit against Wright and St. Luke's, alleging that they were negligent in their care and treatment of her by failing to acknowledge and properly treat her prosthetic impingement and resulting infection. The district court dismissed the case on Wright and St. Luke's motions, finding that the two-year statute of limitations barred her cause of action. Evans appealed, arguing that the district court erred in (1) holding that her post-operative symptoms commenced the running of the statute of limitations, (2) denying her motion for reconsideration and alternative motion for leave to amend her complaint, (3) denying her motion to convert the motion to dismiss to a motion for summary judgment, and (4) failing to consider her argument that the doctrine of equitable estoppel prevented Wright and St. Luke's from asserting the statute of limitations as a defense.