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Espinoza v. Evergreen Helicopters, Inc.

Case No. A147028

We defended Evergreen Helicopters against eight wrongful death cases arising out of a helicopter crash in Peru. The trial court granted our motion to dismiss all cases based on forum non-conveniens grounds, holding that Peru had the most significant contacts with the matter. After the trial court granted our motion to dismiss, plaintiffs filed a writ of mandamus with the Oregon Supreme Court, seeking to have that court order the trial court to proceed with the cases. We successfully obtained the court's denial of the petition. The plaintiffs' appeal raises the novel question whether Oregon recognizes the doctrine of forum non-conveniens.