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Bennett v. Maloney et al.

Case No. 86-2-08163-1 | King County Superior Court

Defended attorney who served as escrow agent in financing of condominium development. Plaintiff, the Masonic Lodge of Washington, sought \$250,000 plus attorney fees based on state securities act and other grounds. At trial, obtained predominantly defense verdict (well below plaintiff's and below client's last settlement offer) despite numerous errors by trial court. The trial judge altered the jury verdict and increased damages to \$250,000. Appealed for client and obtained reversal of trial court's j.n.o.v. and reversal of trial court's denial of defense motion for directed verdict, resulting in no liability verdict for client and recovery of costs on appeal. Appellate opinion describing case at 63 Wn. App. 180, 817 P.2d 868 (1991).