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Patty Glaser and Craig Marcus Win Dismissal of Interference Lawsuit Against Morgan Creek Productions



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Los Angeles – Litigation partners Patty Glaser and Craig Marcus represented Morgan Creek Productions as the plaintiff in a breach of contract lawsuit against Amaru Entertainment concerning a motion picture based on the life of Tupac Shakur. In the complaint drafted by the Firm, Morgan Creek asserted that it had a contract with Amaru to produce a film about Tupac Shakur; Amaru denied the existence of the contract and Amaru filed a cross-complaint against Morgan Creek and several of its executives for tortious interference with contract and fraud. Glaser Weil initially demurred to Amaru's cross-complaint, and the Court sustained the demurrer as to Amaru's fraud claim, without leave to amend, thus leaving Amaru with only its interference claim. Glaser Weil then filed a motion for summary judgment as to this remaining claim. In March 2010, the Court granted Glaser Weil's motion for summary judgment and dismissed Amaru's interference claim, leaving Amaru with no affirmative claims for relief.

Amaru also filed a motion for summary judgment against Morgan Creek. The Court denied this motion in April 2010. Based upon the Firm's successful outcomes on both summary judgment motions, the lawsuit settled. Morgan Creek will be producing the movie about Tupac Shakur, the very relief it sought in its original complaint.

Litigation associate Matt Gershman assisted Ms. Glaser and Mr. Marcus throughout the litigation.

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