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Jorge Lopez v. Carlos Echebia, Bhard Ghandi, Moises Mejia And M And M's Renovations, Inc.
United States District Court, Southern District of New York, 07 CV 9425 (WJY)

\$1.2 MILLION DOLLAR DEFAULT JUDGMENT GRANTED. On November 30, 2007, Jorge Lopez filed suit against Carlos Echebia, Bhard Ghandi, Moises Mejia and M And M's Renovations, Inc. Mr. Lopez was hired by Carlos Echebia, Moises Mejia, and M And M's Renovations, Inc., to cut down a tree located on Bhard Ghandi's property, in Yonkers, New York. During the course of this work, Mr. Lopez fell from a tree, at a height of approximately 30 feet, striking his head on a stone wall, and injuring his spine and left arm.

Mr. Lopez's claim arose out of the violations of certain sections of the Labor Law of the State of New York, including but not limited to Sections 200, 240, 241, 241-a and 241(6), in that defendants Carlos Echebia, Moises Mejia, and M And M's Renovations, Inc. having employed and directed Mr. Lopez to perform labor, failed to furnish plaintiff

or erect scaffolding, ladders, hoists, stays, slings, hangers, blocks, pulleys, braces, irons, ropes, and/or other devices as to give Mr. Lopez proper protection.

In December 2007, the defendants were served with a summons and complaint. Only Mr. Ghandi answered the complaint. Mr. Ghandi was subsequently dismissed from the lawsuit. Mr. Lopez filed a motion for default as to the remaining defendants for their failure to have appeared. Based upon Mr. Lopez's extensive injuries, the Court awarded Mr. Lopez \$1.2 million dollars, plus post-judgment interest and costs.

For further information, please contact Todd J. Krouner, Esq. at info@krounerlaw.com or at (914) 769-8700.

If you have been injured as a result of the failure to have been supplied with proper safety equipment or as a result of a dangerous condition on someone's property, please contact New York personal injury attorney, Todd J. Krouner, for a free consultation.