

And The Defense Wins

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On August 22, 2017, an Alameda County, California, jury returned a unanimous defense verdict in a wrongful death trial following the death of a Davey Tree employee who fell from a bucket truck in Monterrey, California. DRI member [William Kronenberg](#) of **Kronenberg Law PC** successfully defended All Cal Equipment Services, which had performed the annual certification on the aerial lift the decedent was operating. Subsequent to the certification, the leveling chain failed and the bucket tipped upside down causing the employee to fall to his death. He was not wearing the OSHA-required safety harness at the time. Plaintiffs, the widow and adult children of the decedent, were represented by the Veen Firm at trial and claimed economic losses of 3.2 million and unspecified general damages.

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