

\$1.65 Million Settlement For Infant's Death Three Days After Birth

Plaintiff alleged that on March 18, 2005, a nurse midwife and ob/gyn, as well as the hospital nurses, failed to appropriately address fetal distress in a high-risk pregnancy. In addition, plaintiff alleged that the nursing staff failed to appropriately prepare the delivery room for a foreseeable resuscitation.

Injury: Death of a three-day-old infant.

Damages were sought for loss of society to the parents and a 14-year-old sister.

Special damages: \$34,000.

Result: \$1.65 million settlement, reached at mediation.

Plaintiff's Attorney: Mark A. Brown of Lane & Lane, Chicago, Ill.

Defendants' Attorneys: Joseph Camarra of Cassiday, Schade & Gloor, Chicago, Ill. (for the ob/gyn); Patricia Kocour of Swanson, Martin & Bell, Chicago, Ill. (for the hospital).

Moore v. North Shore Associates Ob/Gyn and St Francis Hospital, No. 06L1233 (Cook Cty. Cir. Ct. Chicago, Ill. Oct. 23, 2007)

Comments

Plaintiff's attorney, Mark A. Brown, comments that the pediatric intensivist that ran the resuscitation effort provided valuable information regarding the lack of preparation by the nurses for the resuscitation.