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## Hughes Hubbard Wins Insurance Proceeds Dispute

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**April 15, 2019** — Hughes Hubbard secured a victory for Schaffer Schonholz & Drossman (SSD) using a rare procedural tactic in a non-appellate decision by a New York appeals court that ruled in favor of the radiology practice in a dispute with one of its former employees over insurance proceeds.

On April 4, the New York Appellate Division, First Department in Manhattan awarded SSD cash proceeds resulting from the demutualization of a professional liability insurance policy for the employee, who worked at the practice as a director.

The ruling marks a significant win for the HHR team working on the case, in which they took advantage of a rarely used procedure that few know about: bypassing the New York Supreme Court, which would have entailed discovery and trial. Instead, Ned Bassen and Amina Hassan took the case directly to the Appellate Division on the basis that only the legal issue, not the facts, were in dispute.

Hassan argued the case. In addition to Bassen and Hassan, Harry Packman also assisted in the litigation strategy to avoid significant cost and delay for SSD.

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