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Ahearn v. City of Providence by and through Mancini

Supreme Court of Rhode Island - April 11, 2018 - A.3d - 2018 WL 1736357

Pedestrian brought action against city for injuries she sustained after tripping and falling on an allegedly defective sidewalk. City moved for summary judgment, alleging the notice of claim it received was defective.

The Superior Court granted the motion. Pedestrian appealed.

The Supreme Court of Rhode Island held that pedestrian's notice of claim failed to provide notice of the location of her injury in a reasonably sufficient manner as it contained a nonexistent location. Fact that notice identified the wrong highway exit direction, i.e. north instead of south, rendered pedestrian's notice inadequate.