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Bridgford, Gleason & Artinian
Partners John Gleason, Richard
Bridgford and Michael Artinian in
their Newport Beach office

Bridgford Gleason & Artinian File First Wrongful Death Lawsuit Against MGM and Live Nation in Las Vegas Shooting



Bridgford Gleason & Artinian filed a wrongful death lawsuit on behalf of the father of Andrea Castilla who died while attending the Route 91 Festival in Vegas on October 1, 2017. The lawsuit was filed in Los Angeles Superior Court on October 17. The lead Defendant is MGM Resorts International/ Mandalay Corp. Ms. Castilla, an Orange County resident, was twenty-eight years old at the time of her death. The clients and Richard Bridgford were recently featured on ABC's national news program 20/20.

"This is a clear case of negligence," said Bridgford, who is presently handling 10-15 other cases (and growing) for victims and families. "Individuals who attend such venues have a right to a secure and safe environment.

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When a situation like this occurs, if the for profit enterprise responsible for the public's safety has been seriously derelict like the MGM was, then they should be held liable."

Here, MGM was aware casinos had been identified as soft targets for incidents like this, but unlike some others, they failed to take those actions necessary to ensure the public's safety.

"It's heartbreaking as it was clearly avoidable," said Bridgford. "The shooter should never have been allowed into the hotel with the armory he had and should never have been able to deliver his rapid fire barrage after admitted. As for the venue which is also owned by an MGM affiliate, poor security created a killing zone."

Los Angeles Times, Orange County Register, Las Vegas Review Journal and ABC News' TV show 20/20 covered the case and included interviews by Richard Bridgford.



Firm Partners with Other Law Firms to Represent Fire Victims



Richard Bridgford has partnered with two other law firms to support the victims of the Northern California and Sonoma County Fires, which were ignited in October. Bridgford along with his partners at the law firms McNicholas & McNicholas and the Frantz Law Group have been spending time in Northern California meeting with fire victims and their families to discuss their options for recovering their losses.

Bridgford stated: "Practically no one's total damages are recoverable from their insurance. Either they are underinsured or the damage caused by PG&E, as the result of poor maintenance and multiple incidents of downed power lines, far exceeds insurance coverage. We seek to recover these uninsured sums from PG&E to make our clients whole."

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