



And The Defense Wins

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DRI member [J. Chadwick Hatmaker](#), a member of **Woolf, McClane, Bright, Allen & Carpenter, PLLC** in Knoxville, Tennessee, recently obtained a defense award on behalf of a closely held LLC following a three-day arbitration hearing in Denver. A former member of the LLC alleged multiple claims stemming from the termination of his employment and expulsion from the LLC's membership, including breach of contract and breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing. He sought almost \$2.1 million in damages at the hearing.

After hearing the proof, the arbitrator, a retired Colorado trial court judge, issued an award in favor of the LLC on all claims and awarded the LLC all of its attorneys' fees, costs and expenses.

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