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DRI Professional Perspectives: Failure to Plead "But for" Causation Leads to Dismissal of Malpractice Claim

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Hinshaw attorney Terry McAvoy had an article published in today's *DRI Professional Perspectives* newsletter. McAvoy discusses the recent Seventh Circuit decision in *West Bend Mutual Ins. Co. v. Schumacher*, a case in which the plaintiff, a worker's compensation insurer, had filed a legal malpractice action against former defense counsel alleging negligence for having admitted liability when defending a workers' compensation claim. He explains how the Seventh Circuit affirmed the district court's dismissal for failure to state a claim and held that the plaintiff failed to allege plausibly that it lost an actual, specific and meritorious defense in the underlying workers' compensation proceeding.

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