Texas Lawyer's "Litigator of the Week," Steve Wedemeyer and Bruce Wilkin

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Winstead Shareholders Steve Wedemeyer and Bruce Wilkin won a complete victory in a Harris County jury trial. This was a first-party bad faith insurance case filed against Winstead client Landmark American Insurance Company (RSUI). It was a great result for the client. Insurance companies often perceive they can't win high dollar jury trials. The plaintiff had a damages model of approximately \$5 million with plans to treble it and seek punitive damages.

Without calling a single witness for the defense, Steve and Bruce cross-examined the litany of witnesses called by the plaintiff. After a two and a half week trial, the jury returned a resounding "No" on every liability question, resulting in \$0 to the plaintiff.

The case was selected by *Texas Lawyer* to be featured in the Litigator of the Week section: Click here to read the full coverage.

Congratulations to the Winstead litigation team and extra thanks to Andrew Edelman, Veronica Harrelson (legal secretary), and Vanesa Keller (paralegal) in their tireless efforts to bring home the victory!