JVR No. 805338, 2002 WL 33010939 (Unknown State Ct. (Cal.)) (Verdict and Settlement Summary)

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## HUFFMAN v. INTERSTATE BRANDS COMPANY

BC220574 DATE OF TRIAL: March, 2002

TOPIC:

**SUMMARY** 

Was Appeal Filed: Yes

Name of Person(s) Filing: Interstate Brands Co.

**Outcome: Plaintiff Verdict** 

Non Verdict Award: Total Verdict: \$2,699,000

Judge Reduced Award To: \$2,155,600

Claimed Past Medical: Claimed Future Medical: Claimed Past Wage Expense: Claimed Future Wage Expense:

Plaintiff's Economist:

Defendant's Economist:

## **EXPERT-WITNESSES:**

## ATTORNEY:

Plaintiff: Charles Theodore Mathews, Pasadena, CA

Jeffrey A. Rager, Pasadena, CA

Roxanne Huddleston, Los Angeles, CA Defendant: J. Al Latham, Los Angeles, CA

Patricia Berry, Los Angeles, CA

Elizabeth A. Falcone, Los Angeles, CA

RANGE AMOUNT: \$2,000,000-4,999,999

STATE: California COUNTY: Los Angeles

**SUMMARY PLAINTIFF:**Sex: Male

Age: 51

General Occupation: MIDDLE MANAGEMENT

PRIMARY STATUTE OR GROUND: Age Discrimination-State

**SECONDARY STATUTE OR GROUND:** 

**GENERAL ENTITY TYPE: Manufacturing Industry** 

**SPECIFIC ENTITY TYPE: Food Products** 

ADVERSE EMPLOYMENT ACTION: Reduction in pay, Termination, Demotion

AMOUNT OF AWARD AFTER STATUTORY LIMIT:

ATTORNEY'S FEES:

**DAMAGES:** Past Medical:

Future Medical:

Past Wage:

Future Wage:

Pain and Suffering: \$2,000,000

Other: \$699,000

Total: \$2,699,000

Punitive:

Hedonic:

Other:

Interest:

Loss of Services:

## **FACTS:**

A 51-year-old male district sales manager sued the defendant bread company claiming age discrimination in violation of state law. The plaintiff alleged that he was demoted resulting in a reduction of his pay when two younger managers were hired and that he was subsequently wrongfully terminated by the defendant because of his age. The defendant denied the allegations and claimed that the plaintiff was demoted due to his unsatisfactory work performance and argumentative attitude. The court reduced the economic damages to \$155,600. On appeal by the defendant, the trial court's verdict was reversed and remanded for a new trial

Jury Verdict Research

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