

MG+M Secures Dismissal of All Claims for PFS Corp. in Massachusetts Superior Court

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Update: In October 2025, the court upheld the dismissal of all claims and granted attorneys' fees and costs to all defendants, marking another significant result for MG+M's client PFS Corp

MG+M The Law Firm Partners <u>John Hugo</u> and <u>Joe Bussiere</u> successfully secured the dismissal of all claims with prejudice for their client PFS Corp.—a third party inspection agency—following a 15-day trial in Massachusetts Superior Court. The judge issued her formal order to dismiss on November 26, 2024.

The case, filed in 2018, involved more than 10 defendants and 30 claims. John and Joe moved for a directed verdict along with a request for involuntary dismissal after the plaintiffs rested before the jury. In addition to highlighting the lack of evidence supporting the claims against their client, John and Joe sought involuntary dismissal by presenting clear evidence of misrepresentations made throughout the trial by the plaintiffs and their structural engineering expert. They also exposed the plaintiffs' bad faith discovery practices, including withholding key evidence of destructive investigation into the building's structure.

The court allowed their motion and those of all other defendants in the case effectively dismissing the case prior to the presentation of any evidence by the remaining defendants. The result was the culmination of an effective joint effort amongst the defendants in vigorously litigating pre-trial disclosures, expert disclosures and multiple motions in limine that eroded the plaintiffs seven-figure claim.

Such a decisive dismissal is a rare outcome in complex, multi-defendant litigation, particularly after a lengthy jury trial. It underscores the exceptional preparation, strategic advocacy and attention to detail demonstrated by John and Joe. By securing this result, they not only shielded their client from further litigation costs and liability but also set a strong precedent for defending against meritless claims in high-stakes cases. This victory highlights MG+M's ability to deliver outstanding results in even the most challenging legal environments.