SUMMARY STATEMENT

Giles v. Eagle Farms, Inc., Docket No. 41469

In this worker's compensation case, the Supreme Court upheld the decision of the Idaho Industrial Commission denying income benefits to Newman Giles. Giles received serious injuries in a work-related accident when his vehicle left the road at 123 mph on a rural road in Jefferson County. At the time, Giles had a blood alcohol content of .11% and claimed to have been texting. The Supreme Court upheld the Industrial Commission's determination that Giles was not entitled to benefits under Idaho Code section 72-208(2) because intoxication was a reasonable and substantial cause of the crash and subsequent injury.