

Laurie RONE v. Stanley Eugene LITTLE, et al.

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737 S.W.2d 152

Supreme Court of Arkansas
Opinion delivered October 5, 1987

APPEAL & ERROR — MOTION DISMISSING TWO OF THREE PARTIES IS NOT APPEALABLE. — An order granting a joint motion to dismiss two of the three defendants in the lawsuit is not an appealable order.

Appeal from Garland Circuit Court, *Russell Rogers*, Judge on Assignment; dismissed.

Sanders & Hill, by: *Robert Sanders*, and *Wilson, Engstrom, Corum & Dudley*, by: *William R. Wilson, Jr.*, for appellant.

Wood, Smith, Schnipper & Clay, for appellee.

DARRELL HICKMAN, Justice. Laurie Rone sued a fellow employee, Stanley Little, and two of her employers, H.R. Hospitality, Inc., and Shamrock Properties, Inc., for personal injury. The employers had a champagne party for their employees to celebrate the opening of the Sheraton Lakeside Resort in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Rone left the party with Little, who she says was intoxicated. According to her statement, Little lost control of the vehicle, which left the road, striking a telephone pole. Rone allegedly suffered serious and permanent injuries.

[1] Pursuant to a joint motion, the trial judge dismissed H.R. Hospitality and Shamrock Properties, leaving Little as the only defendant in the lawsuit. Rone filed an appeal from this order, but it is not an appealable order. See ARCP Rule 54(b); *Kilcrease v. Butler*, 291 Ark. 275, 724 S.W.2d 169 (1987).

Appeal dismissed.

PURTLE, J., not participating.