

## <u>CA high court upholds right to paid-for</u> <u>business insurance protection</u>



In a time when U.S. businesses are turning to courts across the U.S. to enforce their rights to insurance

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protection for COVID-19 losses, the <u>CA Supreme Court delivered them a win</u> this week in a longsimmering, high stakes battle over coverage in a different context – repairing environmental damage. United Policyholders helped secure the victory for policyholders in the Montrose case by weighing in with an <u>amicus brief</u> prepared *pro bono* by the Covington & Burling team of **David Goodwin** and **Rene Siemens.** California's highest court adopted the pragmatic approach we advocated that allows a policyholder to access paid-for excess coverage without having to jump through impractical expensive hoops. UP honored Goodwin in 2016 for being a dedicated and effective advisor and volunteer, and we thank him and his firm for helping secure this victory for policyholders.

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