OPINION SUMMARY
MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS EASTERN DISTRICT

MICHAEL SCOBEE AND LINDA SCOBEE,	)	No. ED108712
Plaintiffs/Respondents,	)	Appeal from the Circuit Court of St. Louis County
vs.	)	
LAUREN NORRIS, as Defendant Ad Litem for WILLIAM NORRIS,	)	Honorable Richard M. Stewart
Defendant/Appellant.	)	Filed: February 16, 2021

Lauren Norris, as Defendant Ad Litem acting on behalf of decedent William Norris (Appellant), appeals from the judgment of the trial court denying her motion to amend the judgment entered upon the jury's verdict. On appeal, Appellant claims: (1) the trial court erred by failing to reduce the jury's award to William Norris's policy limit with USAA; and (2) the trial court erred in denying her motion to amend the judgment because Respondents are limited to USAA's policy limit and therefore unable to collect under a bad faith claim.

AFFIRMED.

Division Two Holds: Pursuant to the plain language of section 537.021, issues regarding coverage and recovery under a liability policy should not be addressed by a defendant ad litem and instead should be dealt with in a separate action with appropriate parties. Additionally, no bad faith claim has been raised in this matter, so the issue is not yet ripe.

Opinion by: Sherri B. Sullivan, J. Robin Ransom, P.J., and Lisa P. Page, J., concur.

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