



In the Missouri Court of Appeals  
Eastern District

DIVISION FOUR

ALICE GEARY,	)	
Individually and as Personal	)	ED90452
Representative of the Estate of	)	
Phillip Sgroi,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff/Respondent,	)	Appeal from the Circuit Court of
	)	the City of St. Louis
vs.	)	
	)	
SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY,	)	Honorable Margaret M. Neill
and PAULO BICALHO, M.D.,	)	
	)	
Defendants/Appellants.	)	Filed: November 4, 2008

OPINION SUMMARY

Appellants Saint Louis University and Paulo Bicalho, M.D. appeal the trial court's judgment entered after a jury verdict in favor of Respondent Alice Geary on her petition for medical negligence for failure to properly diagnose and treat her husband Phillip Sgroi's hip fracture. A jury awarded damages in favor of Sgroi.

Appellants claim error in the admission of videotape evidence, the introduction of the existence of liability insurance during *voir dire* and intentional juror nondisclosure. The trial court's judgment is reversed and the case is remanded for a new trial. Appellants' first point is correct and dispositive so we need not address the remaining two points.

REVERSED AND REMANDED FOR A NEW TRIAL.

Division Four Holds: The trial court committed reversible error by admitting the videotape. The videotape is inadmissible character evidence and is highly prejudicial. We reverse the trial court's decision and remand for a new trial.

Opinion by: Booker T. Shaw, P.J.

Kathianne Knaup Crane, J. and Mary K. Hoff, J., concur.