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Christopher Stofko recently obtained a defense verdict for a petrochemical client in a jury trial

Christopher D. Stofko, Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, recently obtained a unanimous defense verdict for a petrochemical client in a four-week jury trial in Jersey City, New Jersey. Plaintiff claimed that her decedent husband developed leukemia as a result of alleged exposure to benzene from using gasoline, diesel and asphalt products. Plaintiff claimed that the warnings that accompanied the products were defective and failed to warn about the alleged risk of leukemia from exposure to benzene. Plaintiff claimed over \$1 million in economic damages and sought additional damages for pain and suffering of the decedent. At the close of the evidence, the judge directed a verdict for one of Mr. Stofko's clients because Plaintiff failed to present sufficient evidence of decedent's exposure to that company's products. The jury then decided 8-0 that Mr. Stofko's remaining client did not fail to warn.

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