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Judge Orders Consolidated Routing to Pay Route Drivers \$3.1 Millic Overtime after Five-Day Trial

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Court Holds Drivers Were Not Independent Contractors

OAKLAND, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Feb. 16, 2006--After a five-day trial, Alameda County Superior Court Judge Ke Burr ordered Consolidated Routing, also known as CR Courier Services Inc, to pay \$3,093,000 plus attorneys fees and class of approximately 80 to route courier drivers who were misclassified as independent contractors by the employers from 2001 to date to compensate for overtime. "It's time these people got paid," said Oakland attorney Randall Crane, case for the drivers with Arthur Lazear from the Oakland law firm of Hoffman & Lazear. Crane said he was pleased with and would seek to enforce the judgment immediately against the company and its principal shareholders. The drivers as independent contractors who would pick up and deliver insurance company forms and eyeglasses to and from doctor often driving 150 miles a day with substantial overtime. "These were low-paid workers dressed up as so-called independent contractors, who, when you figure out the costs of doing the job, worked for almost nothing," said Crane. Also appearing for the employees was Reno attorney Mark R. Thierman and Oakland attorney H. Tim Hoffman. Thierman and Hoffman known in the area of overtime compensation litigation for their large overtime settlements. Defendant was represented by Angeles attorney David Palace. The case is reported as Sharon E. Piert v. Consolidated Routing Inc, et al, Alameda Superior Court case no. C-83-5688.

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