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Homeowner's Insurance Claim Settles for \$587,500

Attorney J.P. Gonzalez-Sirgo of Coral Gables, Florida resolves a homeowner's insurance claim for \$587,500. The homeowner came home one night to discover that a plumbing pipe in the upstairs bathroom had burst inundating the house with water causing damage to the structure of the home, including subsequent collapse, and ruining many of the homeowner's contents. The homeowner was displaced from her home as the house was uninhabitable. A claim was filed with the homeowner's insurance company and the insurance company assigned an adjuster to the claim. Eventually, the insurance company paid the insured homeowner approximately \$250,000.00 on the loss and refused to renew the insured's policy. Unsatisfied, the insured retained our services.

Through experts we established that the insurance company's valuation of the claim was woefully inadequate.

But equally important, we established improprieties in the claims handling process. It was the insurance company's adjuster that referred a general contractor and a public adjuster to the insured. The insurance company adjuster insisted to the insured, a single mother who was in the midst of a divorce, that this was the only way to resolve the claim. We showed that the contractor and the public adjuster were, apparently siblings, and associates of the insurance company adjuster. This trio went about a conspiracy to defraud the insured in an attempt to quickly benefit themselves and the insurance company. Not only was the claim negligently handled by this trio but they charged excessive fees and extorted the insured. Toward the end of the trio's involvement, the contractor and public adjuster demanded that the insurance company adjuster be paid an additional \$18,000.00 by the insured for any more monies to be paid on the claim. In the face of the above evidence, the insurance company settled the case for an additional \$587,500.00. Our client was very happy.

Attorney J.P. Gonzalez-Sirgo has built his entire career on protecting the rights of insurance policyholders, personal injury and wrongful death victims and fighting for the rights of Florida consumers and small businesses. The firm has recovered millions of dollars for victims of denied or underpaid insurance claims, victims of catastrophic personal injuries and wrongful death and on behalf of those that have been taken advantage of by Big Business and Big Insurance. J.P. has been certified as a life member of the Million Dollar Advocates Forum and the Multi-Million Dollar Advocates Forum.



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