UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

Melido Pena v. RDI, LLC, a Florida Limited Liability Company

Pena · No. 8:17-cv-1404-AAS · Decided December 15, 2025

SUMMARY

This document is a default judgment entered by the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida in favor of Melido Pena. It holds Lakeland Interiors, Lakeland Aviation, and Mr. Dinicolantonio jointly and severally liable for $141,053.67 in unsatisfied judgments, plus post-judgment interest, and includes appellate filing information.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida
DECIDED	December 15, 2025
DOCKET	8:17-cv-1404-AAS
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The district court entered a default judgment against third-party defendants Lakeland Interiors, Lakeland Aviation, and Mr. Dinicolantonio for unsatisfied judgments owed to Melido Pena.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Unknown
PARTIES	Melido Pena v. RDI, LLC, a Florida Limited Liability Company

TOPICS

default judgment · default · civil procedure · appellate procedure · damages

PRACTICE AREAS

civil procedure · remedies · commercial litigation · appellate procedure

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether judgment should be entered against the third-party defendants for the unsatisfied judgments owed to Mr. Pena.
2. What amount and post-judgment interest should be included in the judgment.

HOLDINGS

1. Lakeland Interiors, Lakeland Aviation, and Mr. Dinicolantonio are jointly and severally liable for the unsatisfied judgments owed to Mr. Pena.
2. The judgment amount is $141,053.67, together with post-judgment interest at the statutory rate from the date of each underlying judgment.

KEY QUOTATIONS

> *"Lakeland Interiors, Lakeland Aviation, and Mr. Dinicolantonio are jointly and severally liable for the unsatisfied judgments owed to Mr. Pena in the amount of $141,053.67 – plus post-judgment interest at the statutory rate from the date of each underlying judgment."*

> *"A final decision is one that "ends the litigation on the merits and leaves nothing for the court to do but execute the judgment.""*

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The order states that unsatisfied judgments were owed to Mr. Pena. It determines that Lakeland Interiors, Lakeland Aviation, and Mr. Dinicolantonio are jointly and severally liable for $141,053.67, plus post-judgment interest at the statutory rate from the date of each underlying judgment.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The action was pending in the Middle District of Florida, Tampa Division, under docket number 8:17-cv-1404-AAS. On December 15, 2025, the court entered judgment against the third-party defendants and included standard instructions concerning attorney's fees, costs, execution, and appellate deadlines.

DISPOSITION

other

CASES CITED

- Pitney Bowes, Inc. v. Mestre, 701 F.2d 1365, 1368 (11th Cir.)
- Williams v. Bishop, 732 F.2d 885, 885-86 (11th Cir.)
- Budinich v. Becton Dickinson & Co., 486 U.S. 196, 201 (1988)
- LaChance v. Duffy's Draft House, Inc., 146 F.3d 832, 837 (11th Cir.)
- Cohen v. Beneficial Industrial Loan Corp., 337 U.S. 541, 546 (1949)
- Atlantic Federal Savings & Loan Association v. Blythe Eastman Paine Webber, Inc., 890 F.2d 371, 376 (11th Cir.)
- Gillespie v. United States Steel Corp., 379 U.S. 148, 157 (1964)
- Rinaldo v. Corbett, 256 F.3d 1276, 1278 (11th Cir.)