

## Caroline Hurtado Ford in Claims Journal: Negligent Hiring is an Occurrence

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*Claims Journal* quoted Haynes Boone Counsel [Caroline Hurtado Ford](#) in an article examining the implications for employers of a California Supreme Court ruling that negligent hiring can constitute a covered “occurrence.”

Here is an excerpt:

The decision, said Caroline Hurtado Ford, an Orange County-based lawyer in the litigation practice group at Haynes Boone, has significant ramifications for California employers. ...

Ford said it could also pose implications in other states where coverage law on the issue hasn't been developed. She added that the court “methodically went through California law” and the decision could have broader implications than just in the employer/employee context. For example, she said the decision could be applied to cases being brought against pharmaceutical companies for the way they distributed and marketed opioids.

To read the full article, click [here](#).