

Phillip Nolan v. Al Lane, Supreme Court, Suffolk County, Index No. 14794/2005 (Jury verdict in favor of Defendant, Al Lane, in case involving allegations of breach of contract).

Unanimous verdict rendered in favor of Defendant in commercial action on July 26, 2013. Plaintiff sued Defendant for breach of contract, unjust enrichment, fraud and conversion. Plaintiff, a politician and lobbyist, alleged that Al Lane breached a contract with him to pay for lobbying services with the New York State Legislature. Plaintiff sued for punitive damages of \$100,000.00 and \$46,500.00 on three separate causes of action. Plaintiff demanded interest at 9% per annum for the breach of contract causes of action running from June 1997 through the July 2013 trial. A jury found that there was no contract between the parties. The jury was so persuaded; they unanimously determined that the Defendant did not even make an offer for a contract. Trial conducted by Joshua H. Stern.