

## Insured's Counterclaim Against Claimant Did Not Create Conflict of Interest Between Insured and Insurer

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The First Circuit Court of Appeals (Thompson, J.) recently ruled in the case of *Mount Vernon Fire Insurance Company v. VisionAid, Inc.*, 875 F.3d 716, that no conflict of interest existed between an employment liability insurer and its insured that entitled the insured to independent counsel at the insurer's expense to defend against an age discrimination suit brought by a former employee.

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