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Mahr settled for \$400,000. As part of the deal, her attorney, Gregory G. Brown of Irvine, agrees that he will not "solicit or initiate, or otherwise assist in or advise in" any premises liability negligence claim involving theaters, including Edwards, that are owned by Regal Entertainment Group or its affiliates, according to the settlement.

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Brown says he had no choice but to agree because Mahr wanted to accept the \$400,000 settlement offer, while the defense allegedly insisted on including the provision before making the deal.

...entitled to the money, while Brown can bring similar cases against the defendants. San Francisco attorney Jonathan I. Aross

...The stadium-style theater has tiered seating to allow a clear view of the screen. A person needs to walk up the stairs to access the

...the film Theater in other people had fallen at the same theater, because of the way the stairs are designed, inefficient lighting or a combination of both. In court papers, Wagner denied that a dangerous condition existed. He argued that Mahr fell because of her own carelessness. ...of the settlement, the

"We must have done something good because they never want to come up against me again," he says.

Brown says his duty to do what's best for his client trumps whatever obligation he may have because of Rule 1-500.

...Brown of Brown & Charbonnet says, "I'm kinda between a rock and a hard place." Deltonic attorney Russell E. Wagner of Los Angeles' Betsy, Garrett & Wagner did

...movie theater chain. Regal spokesman Dick Westerling declined comment. Brown says his firm's investigation

...place a limit on how far an attorney can go in his loyalty to a client. A greater duty is owed to the public and the legal system to expose ...of the settlement, the

**\$400,000 Personal Injury Settlement
for Theater Trip & Fall Case Against
Regal Entertainment Group**