

Cause-in-Fact Hypotheticals

- A. An apartment manager, A, negligently leaves the Plaintiff's door unlocked after checking the apartment. The security guard, B, who is required to check all doors, negligently omits to check this one. Later that night, a thief walks in the unlocked door and steals P's stereo & jewelry. Evaluate any causes of action.
- B. A three-year-old boy was badly mauled by an unidentified dog. Investigation reveals that it was probably a German shepherd, but no direct eyewitness is available. One German Shepherd lives next door owned by A, and one lives across the street owned by B. Both are allowed to roam free in violation of the leash law. Evaluate any potential causes of action.
- C. Molly, a resident of a small town in Georgia, recently was in a car accident that led to lower back and stomach pain. She consulted Dr. X for help. Dr. X recommended that P take a series of X-rays to determine whether or not she had any bone fractures causing her difficulties. The doctor did not ask her whether she was pregnant, which is standard practice in Georgia. Plaintiff later learned that she was pregnant and that the x-rays might have injured her fetus. She terminated the pregnancy and brought suit for negligence. Evaluate her chances of success.