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Lou Ciavarra Quoted in Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly's "Judge denies dissolution of corporation in Hyannis ferry family feud"

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The case of *Scudder v. Scudder, et al.* concerns a corporation's shareholders being deadlocked as a result of the two 50percent ownership factions being unable to elect successor directors at three consecutive annual meetings. A Superior Court judge ruled that a plaintiff should not be granted the extraordinary remedy of dissolving a closely held corporation because he failed to show that the corporation had suffered or was being threatened with irreparable injury. Lou Ciavarra spoke with *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly* about this case:

Worcester business litigator Louis M. Ciavarra said the way events unfolded in Scudder underscores the importance of urging clients to follow corporate formalities at the formation of a corporation, even if family members cannot fathom that there will ever be a falling out.

"There are clients who think a lack of formality is a good thing, but it actually creates more problems than it solves,"Ciavarra said.

Continue reading "Judge denies dissolution of corporation in Hyannis ferry family feud" on the *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly* website (subscription required).