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Subject: ORA Succeeds in Awarding \$202,000 to an *Agunah*

In a landmark decision by the Supreme Court of the State of California, a current *agunah* has been awarded \$202,000 in damages. The judge awarded \$75,000 for “intentional infliction of emotional distress” resulting from the withholding of a *get* (Jewish divorce) and \$127,000 for enforcement of a foreign court order. This is an unprecedented ruling and a monumental event for ORA and other *agunot* who have suffered tremendously at the behest of their husbands who refuse to give them a *get*. The judgment is indicative of a shift in the civil court system which is now recognizing the legal ramifications of withholding the *get* and imposing sharp penalties on those responsible.

ORA: The Organization for the Resolution of Agunot is a not-for-profit organization which assists disputing couples in resolving their differences and effectuating a timely Jewish divorce. For more information please visit our website at <http://www.getORA.org>.