

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COURT OF APPEALS

CHARLES HAMILTON,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v

DAVID ROY COWEN, GOBIND SINGH, and
EMBASSY HOTEL, INC.,

Defendants-Appellees,

and

BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MICHIGAN,

Intervenor.

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No. 173446

LC No. 93-000073-NO

Before: Fitzgerald, P.J., and Sawyer and Young, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Plaintiff appeals from an order of the circuit court granting summary disposition to defendants on plaintiff's claim for negligent hiring. We affirm.

Plaintiff was injured when he was assaulted and robbed by defendant Cowen. Cowen was employed as a maintenance man at defendant Embassy Hotel, which was owned by defendant Singh. Plaintiff was a guest at the hotel at the time of the robbery. Plaintiff maintains that defendants hotel and Singh were negligent in hiring and retaining Cowen, as well as in failing to adequately investigate Cowen before hiring him. The trial court granted summary disposition in favor of defendants hotel and Singh, concluding that there was no evidence that defendants hotel and Singh knew, or should have known, of Cowen's violent propensities.

The trial court filed a detailed, written opinion to which there is little need to elaborate upon. Rather, we merely emphasize that portion of the trial court's opinion which notes that Cowen had no criminal record, as reflected in the Presentence Investigation Report in Cowen's criminal case. Simply put, there is no evidence presented which indicates that Cowen presented a known danger to guests such that he should not have been hired.

Affirmed. Defendants may tax costs.

/s/ E. Thomas Fitzgerald

/s/ David H. Sawyer

/s/ Robert P. Young, Jr.