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California District Court Abused Discretion in Awarding Fees by Relying on Unsupported Conclusions and by Giving Certain Evidence Undue Weight

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The record must support the circumstances upon which a district court relies in finding a case exceptional and awarding fees. Courts should use the lodestar method as a presumptively reasonable method for calculating attorney's fees, by multiplying the number of reasonable hours billed by a reasonable hourly billing rate.