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SLS News: Pro Bono attorney uses CUTPA to win \$225,200 in damages plus \$15,000 in attorneys' fees for tenant cruelly victimized by landlord. SLS attorneys referred client Robert Chimney to the law firm of Appleton & Appleton, LLC in Hartford. Mr. Chimney's landlord had locked him out of his vermin infested apartment and threw all his belongings including family photos and personal identification into a dumpster. The property manager then sent Mr. Chimney taunting messages with photos of the dumpster by phone. In a scathing decision Judge Grant H. Miller, Jr., found for the tenant on his counts of forcible entry and detainer and infliction of emotional distress, saying that for all the countless acts of "callousness, mean spiritedness and arrogance," he had seen in his 38 years of trial and jurist experience, this case offended him most. The judgement is now on appeal. The case can be found at:

<http://civilinquiry.jud.ct.gov/CaseDetail/PublicCaseDetail.aspx?DocketNo=HFHCV165001109S>

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