

Ex-Tahoe CCC employee wins retaliation lawsuit

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A woman who spoke up for female California Conservation Corps members who were the targets of alleged sexual transgressions won a retaliation lawsuit Tuesday from the state agency that had fired her.

Margaret Grodzik won a \$159,000 award from a Sacramento Superior Court jury, which also found that the CCC failed to reasonably accommodate the 66-year-old woman, who suffered from diabetes and a heart condition.

“Heroes come in all sizes and packages,” Grodzik’s lawyer, Jill P. Telfer, said after the verdict. “This one was a grandmother. She was tenacious. She went everywhere for help and exhausted every single avenue. Her last resort was the courtroom.”

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