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Code of Civil Procedure § 425.16 – Compiled February 2011

Our review of the annotated history reveals the following legislative history (every “c.” below represents a separate legislative bill):

Added: **1992**, c. 726

Amended:

- **1993**, c. 1239: substituted “shall” for “may” before award costs in sub. (c) and added sub. (h).
- **1997**, c. 271: substantive and extensive changes to most of the subdivisions, such as adding subsection (4) to sub (e), adding a new sub. (h), and redesignating former sub (h) as sub (i).
- **1999**, c. 960: added subs (j) and (k)
- **2005**, c. 535: substantively amended subs (b), (f), (i), and redesignated former subs (j) and (k) to be subs (j)(1) and (j)(2)
- **2009**, c. 65: in subdivision (b)(1), substituted “United States Constitution or the California Constitution” for “United States or California Constitution”; in subdivision (c), substituted “(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), in any” for “In any” at the beginning of the first sentence; and added subsection (2) to subdivision (c).
- **2010**, c. 328: updated code references in sub (c)(2) and amended sub (e) by substituting the comma for the semicolon at the end of sub (e)(1), substituting “or” for the semicolon at the end of sub (e)(3), and deleting “or” at the beginning sub (e)(4).

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