



## Public & Products Liability

### Business Description

The insured, a rural transport operator and property owner decided to clear some overgrown scrub on the perimeter fence around its yard.

The cleared vegetation was tossed over the fence into an adjoining paddock, also owned by the client but leased to a family to graze horses. Amongst the prunings was a quantity of oleander shrub which is highly poisonous when consumed. Two of the horses, both quality showjumpers, consumed the oleander foliage and became ill. Despite emergency treatment they succumbed and died.

After receiving legal advice on the question of foreseeability the claim was settled for more than \$50,000.