CRESTVIEW PUBLIC ADJUSTERS

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CASE STUDY: FIRE/LIGHTINING STRIKE OLD WESTBURY

#### **CLAIM**

A lightning strike impacted a gas vent located on the roof of a 10,000-square-foot residence. The electrical discharge traveled down the vent pipe, leading to a fire outbreak in the basement. Consequently, the basement fire resulted in smoke damage that spread throughout the entire house.

#### **HURDLES**

Assessing the extent of damage caused by smoke, soot, and related factors, the client had a significant number of office supplies and numerous personal belongings that suffered harm.

### **STRATEGY:**

Crestview promptly conducted their own tests to assess the level of smoke damage, including soot and bacterial contamination. Many personal items were found to be affected. We then engaged a content specialist and oversaw the coordination of emergency services. Crestview also proactively handled the issue of loss of use and successfully negotiated with the insurance company to secure a lump sum payment to cover the homeowner's living expenses during this time.



## **OUTCOME:**

Crestview reached a settlement of \$850,000 for the claim within a remarkably brief period of fewer than 90 days. This swift resolution enabled the homeowner to promptly move forward with the rebuilding process.