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**Trio to Pay \$1.1 Million in Workers' Compensation
Fraud Case**

Two brothers and a cousin will pay more than \$1.1 million after they pleaded to charges stemming from a workers' compensation fraud scam at a Diamond Bar staffing agency, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Robinson Yang (dob 12/1/68) and Roland Yang (dob 10/28/69) entered no contest pleas to one count each of insurance fraud and failure to file a tax report as well as admitting to an excessive taking allegation. Robinson Yang also pleaded to making a false statement.

Sotheany Hul (dob 1/1/71) pleaded no contest to one count each of forgery and failure to file a tax report as well as an excessive taking allegation in case BA409069.

Deputy District Attorney Arunas Sodonis of the Healthcare Fraud Division said the three defendants ran Optima Staffing Services that illegally represented to smaller staffing companies that they could be covered under Optima's workers' compensation insurance policy.

The three men misrepresented Optima's payroll to AIG, Inc., to secure the insurance policies and then passed along forged certificates to the smaller companies, leaving them uninsured, the prosecutor added. The Yangs and Hul also didn't report or pay state employment taxes for the company or its affiliates.

Robinson Yang faces a possible maximum sentence of eight years, eight months in state prison, while the other two defendants face up to seven years, eight months in prison when they are scheduled to be sentenced March 20. Restitution of \$1.16 million will be paid at sentencing.

The case was investigated by the California Department of Insurance.

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