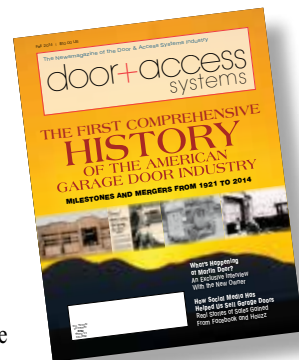


# Letters to the Editor



## Kudos for Lawsuit Stories



Tom:  
I appreciate all of your effort in telling our part of the story. Everything sounded very fair to me.

Mike Biddle  
Professional Garage Door Systems  
Plainfield, Ind.

Tom:  
I just read your article on the Two Multi-Million-Dollar Lawsuits.

Excellent reporting! You've done a great service to the industry to get this information. Hopefully these cases challenge us all to be more professional dealers/distributors.

Martin Madden  
Overhead Door of South Bend/Mishawaka  
Mishawaka, Ind.

## An Addition to History

Tom,  
Upon receiving the fall issue of Door & Access Systems magazine, I couldn't wait to read your article on the history of the American garage door industry. However, I was disappointed that there was no mention of Kite Woodworking Company in Sullivan, Ill.

Kite Woodworking's patented Shadowline design with West Coast redwood was shipped throughout the North, Midwest, and East Coast. We think many of today's steel embossing machines take their raised panel design from the Kite raised panel.

Kite Woodworking was started in 1947 by Leon Kite. That same year, my father, Harold Gene Malloy, started working there. In 1969, my father and his partners, Gail Cochran and Richard Booker, purchased the business. My father was president of the company until the business was sold in the middle 1980s.

Tom Malloy  
Barcol Overdoors  
Decatur, Ill.

*Editor's note: We were unaware of the Kite company, but thanks to Tom Malloy, we have added it to our ongoing history files. Please send further additions to trw@tomwadsworth.com.*

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