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VERDICTS & SETTLEMENTS

Rear-end collision causes traumatic brain injury

\$1,750,000 Settlement

On Feb. 15, 2006, plaintiff was rear-ended by the defendant on Catlett Road in Fauquier County. As a result of the collision, the plaintiff suffered a traumatic brain injury, cervical and lumbar strains, C5-6 disc herniation, right shoulder rotator cuff syndrome and musculoskeletal injuries from repeated falls due to imbalance from the head injury.

Additionally, as a result of the brain injury, the plaintiff suffered from cognitive deficits, including trouble with concentration, attention, short-term memory, mental persistence, processing speed and post-traumatic headaches.

The plaintiff's medical expenses totaled over \$77,000.



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She had a lost earning capacity calculated by Peder Melberg at \$943,000, and life care planner Sharon Reavis RN, was prepared to testify as to future medical/life care needs of \$817,000.

This case was mediated by Robert L. Harris of the McCammon Group on two separate occasions resulting in a settlement of \$1,750,000.

[10-T-044]

Type of action: Personal injury

Injuries alleged: Traumatic brain injury, herniated disc C5/C6

Name of case: Confidential

Court: Prince William Circuit Court

Special damages: Medicals – \$77,458.16; Life Care Plan – \$817,000; Lost Earning Capacity – \$943,000

Verdict or Settlement: Settlement

Amount: \$1,750,000

Experts: Dr. James Simsarian; David Hebda PhD; Jeffrey Barth PhD; Peder Melberg MA, CRC; Sharon Reavis RN, MS, CRC, CCM

Plaintiff's attorneys: Susan Pierce, Warrenton; John D. Whittington, Manassas