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SETTLEMENT RESULT: \$100,000

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SETTLEMENT—Driver injured in chain-reaction rear-end collision

VEHICLE NEGLIGENCE

Motor Vehicle v. Motor Vehicle/Rear-End/
Chain Reaction Collision/Parked/Stalled/Stopped Vehicle

No COURT/UNFILED SETTLEMENT

Mindel v. Rand. Settlement date: 6/8/2000.

SETTLEMENT RESULT: \$100,000

COUNSEL

Plaintiff: Scott J. Corwin, Law Offices of Scott J. Corwin, Los Angeles.

Defendant: None.

FACTS/CONTENTIONS

According to plaintiff: On January 4, 2000, plaintiff, a 40-year-old family law attorney, was traveling westbound on Montana Avenue in the number one of two lanes, in his 1973 Porsche. He stopped for a red light at the intersection of Bundy Drive when defendant, who was also westbound on Montana Avenue, rear-ended plaintiff's vehicle, pushing it into the vehicle in front of plaintiff. Plaintiff's vehicle was totaled, with over \$40,000 in damage.

Plaintiff alleged defendant was negligent in the operation of a motor vehicle and that all of his claimed injuries were a direct result of the accident.

Defendant admitted liability but disputed the nature and extent of plaintiff's claimed injuries and the need for future surgeries.

CLAIMED INJURIES

According to plaintiff: Plaintiff sustained cervical and lumbar strain and sprain and required physical therapy; left medial meniscus tear and right foot plantar fasciitis, both requiring future surgery.

CLAIMED DAMAGES

According to plaintiff: \$14,459 past medical; \$25,000 future medical.

SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS

According to plaintiff: Plaintiff demanded \$15,000 (policy limits), which was tendered. Plaintiff demanded his UIM policy limits of \$85,000.

Defendant UIM carrier demanded an independent medical examination prior to extending any offers. The IME doctor agreed with all of plaintiff's treating doctors' findings, and the UIM policy limits were then tendered.

EXPERTS

None.

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