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SETTLEMENT RESULT: \$209,000

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Driver allegedly causes chain-reaction collision by violating traffic signal

VEHICLE NEGLIGENCE

Motor Vehicle v. Motor Vehicle/Signal Violation/Chain Reaction Collision

No COURT/UNFILED SETTLEMENT

Roblesgil v. Linsk, Trial type: Settlement. Settlement date: 10/28/2010.

SETTLEMENT: \$209,000

The case settled for \$209,000 with a contribution of \$35,000 and \$174,000 from defendant's two different insurance companies that both covered the loss.

COUNSEL

Plaintiff: Scott J. Corwin, A Professional Law Corporation, Los Angeles.

Defendant: None.

FACTS/CONTENTIONS

According to plaintiff: On April 16, 2010, plaintiff Francisco Roblesgil, a 35-year-old self-employed auto detailer, was operating his 1997 GMC Safari north on White Oak Avenue in the number 1 of 2 lanes. Defendant Linsk was operating her 2008 Honda CRV west on Oxnard Street and ran a red light at the intersection. There was a Los Angeles Police Department vehicle that was going south on White Oak Avenue who had to swerve to avoid a collision with defendant, and in doing so, he crossed over into the northbound White Oak Avenue lane and collided with plaintiff's vehicle, knocking plaintiff's vehicle into a 1998 BMW sedan that was traveling north on White Oak Avenue in the number 2 lane.

Plaintiff alleged defendant was negligent in the operation of a motor vehicle and that all of plaintiff's claimed injuries were a direct result of the subject motor vehicle accident. Defendant disputed the nature and extent of plaintiff's claimed injuries and the need for surgery.

CLAIMED INJURIES

According to plaintiff: As a direct result of the collision, plaintiff suffered injury to his neck, shoulders, and back for which plaintiff received physical therapy. Plaintiff's lumbar spine MRI revealed an annular tear and 3 mm disc protrusion at L5-S1 with moderate canal and bilateral neural foraminal stenosis. Plaintiff underwent two lumbar epidural injections. Plaintiff's orthopedist advised plaintiff that he might require lumbar spine surgery in the future.

CLAIMED DAMAGES

According to plaintiff: \$59,754 past medical expenses; \$35,000 future medical expenses.

SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS

According to plaintiff: Plaintiff demanded \$300,000 initially.

EXPERTS

None.

COMMENTS

According to plaintiff: The insurance carriers were Farmers Insurance and Victoria Insurance; the adjusters were Helen Krapiva and Carrie Feusi, respectively.

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