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SETTLEMENT RESULT: \$105,000

VEHICLE NEGLIGENCE

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SETTLEMENT—Driver injured in freeway rear-ender

VEHICLE NEGLIGENCE

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

No COURT/UNFILED SETTLEMENT

D'Angelo v. Giordano. Settlement date: 12/27/2004.

SETTLEMENT RESULT: \$105,000

COUNSEL

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

Defendant: None.

FACTS/CONTENTIONS

According to plaintiff: On October 14, 2004, plaintiff, a 34-year-old registered nurse, was traveling eastbound on the 118 Freeway in Los Angeles in the number one lane. She stopped for traffic when defendant Giordano, who was also traveling on the same freeway, rear-ended plaintiff's vehicle, pushing it into the car in front of her.

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

Defendant third party and defendant underinsured motorist carrier admitted liability but disputed the nature and extent of plaintiff's claimed injuries and the need for future surgery.

CLAIMED INJURIES

According to plaintiff: Plaintiff was transported to the emergency room and was hospitalized for five days, as she had loss of feeling on the entire right side of her body, which slowly returned. She sustained a 4 mm disk herniation at C5-C6, with compression on the left C6 nerve root and flattening of the spinal cord. She may require a cervical decompression surgery in the future.

CLAIMED DAMAGES

According to plaintiff: \$28,305 past medical; \$30,000 future medical.

SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS

According to plaintiff: Plaintiff demanded and defendant third party tendered its \$30,000 policy limits. She demanded and defendant underinsured motorist carrier tendered its \$70,000 policy limits and \$5,000 in medical in medical payments coverage.

EXPERTS

None.

COMMENTS

According to plaintiff: The case settled without the need for filing of a lawsuit.