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SETTLEMENT RESULT: \$195,000

VEHICLE NEGLIGENCE

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Pedestrian struck in crosswalk sustains knee injury

VEHICLE NEGLIGENCE

Pedestrian/Crosswalk/Left Turn

VICARIOUS LIABILITY

LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

Retana v. HBW Holding Inc., Docket number: YC057147, Torrance. Judge: Not reported. Trial type: Settlement. Settlement date: 10/30/2008.

SETTLEMENT: \$195,000

COUNSEL

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

Defendant: None.

FACTS/CONTENTIONS

According to plaintiff: On June 27, 2007, plaintiff Walter Retana was crossing 98th Street while walking along Airport Boulevard in Los Angeles. As the traffic light turned green and plaintiff started to cross, defendant, driving a 2007 Chevrolet Malibu east on 98th Street, made a left turn and struck plaintiff while it was in the crosswalk.

Liability was not disputed, but defendant HBW Holding Inc. disputed the nature and extent of plaintiff's claimed injuries and the need for future surgery. Defendant further contended plaintiff's left knee condition was a result of a long history of active and constant soccer playing.

CLAIMED INJURIES

According to plaintiff: Tibial spine fracture with anterior cruciate ligament deficiency of the left knee.

Plaintiff's orthopedist advised him he might require an arthroscopically assisted anterior cruciate ligament reconstruction of the left knee in the future.

CLAIMED DAMAGES

According to plaintiff: \$8,432 past medical; \$24,000 future medical.

SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS

Not reported.

EXPERTS

None.

COMMENTS

According to plaintiff: The insurance carrier was Chubb Insurance; the adjuster was Leslie Khodjasarian.

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