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## **Million-Dollar VERDICTS & SETTLEMENTS 2014**



## SETTLEMENTS



\$1,500,557

## **Insured alleged** conspiracy, fraud in benefits action

Plaintiff was severely injured in a 2005 automobile-pedestrian accident. This was her third lawsuit against defendant Citizens Insurance ANDREWS Co. The most recent lawsuit settled through case evaluation, but following the dismissal of the case the insurance company refused to pay the reasonable value of attendant care benefits.

In the third lawsuit, plaintiff alleged that defendant engaged in fraud and conspiracy, along with the registered nurse, to violate the no-fault act.

The settlement was for attendant care benefits only and represents a contract between the parties covering attendant care benefits for the next  $5\frac{1}{2}$  years.

Nicholas S. Andrews, co-counsel for plaintiff, provided case information.







**Type of action:** No-fault attendant care benefits

Type of injuries: Traumatic brain injury

**Name of case:** *Pruitt vs. Citizens Insurance Co.* 

Court/Case no./Date: Oakland County Circuit Court; 14-142740-

NF; Oct. 17, 2014

Name of judge: Michael D. Warren Jr.

Settlement amount: \$1,500,557

**Insurance carrier:** Citizens

Attorneys for plaintiff: Nicholas S. Andrews, Arthur Y. Liss

Attorney for defendant: Donald C. Brownell