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Pedestrian suffers brain injury when struck by vehicle

Emotional trauma included depression

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Plaintiff-minor was a pedestrian injured by an automobile while walking across a street. Not only did she suffer a severe brain injury resulting in a coma, intubation and ventilation but also other significant injuries to her head and face.

Due to the protracted length of time of the initial phase of recovery, the injured suffered significant emotional trauma including depression. Plaintiff was compelled to file a lawsuit against the insurance company relating to the insurance company's failure to properly pay family-provided attendant care benefits.

The first lawsuit involved a dispute among medical experts and was successfully resolved in plaintiff's favor in 2007. However, the plaintiff's injuries had not resolved and she continues to require family-provided attendant care because of her brain injury and the extensive psychiatric and psychological ramifications of her injuries.

Over the course of the last 10 years, the insurance company and plaintiff's attorney have continued to monitor the injured's rehabilitation and efforts toward recovery. As the result of tremendous effort on behalf of all the parties involved, this matter has been resolved to everyone's satisfaction, according to plaintiff's counsel.

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

Type of action: Automobile no-fault

Injuries alleged: Traumatic brain injury requiring attendant care services

Name of case: Confidential

Court//Date: Pre-suit settlement/Feb. 28, 2018

Settlement amount: \$1,752,000

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