## DICTS & SETTLEMENTS

## Sleeping driver rear ends motorist on Interstate 66

\$1,750,000 Settlement

Plaintiff is a former Marine who was a telecommunication lineman. He lives in Ohio but was employed in Virginia, working on a traveling line crew when he was rear-ended on Interstate 66 while stopped in morning rush hour traffic. The defendant was traveling at highway speed and told officer, he must have fallen asleep.

Type of actions Automobile collision

Injeries allegeds Traumatic Brain Injury, myolascial pain with central pain syndrome, L4-5 hernias tion with lumbar radiculopathy. Plaintiff suffers severe headaches, memory loss, loss of concentration, sensitivity to light and sound, dizziness and difficulty with balance, severe futique, and has depression and suffers arotiety and apprehensions anytime he is around people. He also has chronic thoracic and low back pain with radiating pain in to the lower extremities.

Name of cases Confidential

Special dumoges: Past bills of \$51,293; life care plan - estimated future costs of \$753,688, most of which was for community living and home service es; past lost wages of 590,846; futures lost earnings of \$605,640 to date of work life expectancy based on past average earnings; not reduced to present value

Tried before: Mediation

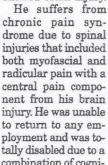
Verdict or settlement: Settlement

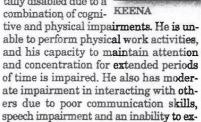
Amount: \$1,750,000

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Plaintiff's vehicle was sent airborne and flipped over several times before coming to rest in a ditch on top of a downed tree. Plaintiff had brief altered

consciousness at the scene, but no loss of consciousness. Within days, he began experiencing classic symptoms of post-concussive syndrome, including dizziness, memory loss and headache, which persisted. None of the brain imaging studies showed brain injury. ZAUZIG





press himself. Plaintiff's experts included a neurologist, neuropsychologist, life care planner. vocational rehabilitation counselor and pain management specialist.

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