

Radiological Negligence

John Doe v. XYZ Hospital

Settlement: \$2,975,000.00

This case arose out of allegations of medical negligence wherein the patient sustained catastrophic gastrointestinal injuries including a permanent colostomy and mucous fistula. In February of 2002, the Plaintiff was a patient at Hospital #1. The patient discharged himself against medical advice and was admitted to Hospital #2 with severe complaints of abdominal pain and constipation. At Hospital #2, the Plaintiff alleged that patient underwent two colonoscopies which were contraindicated with the second colonoscopy perforating his colon resulting in infiltration of fecal contaminates into his abdominal cavity leading to serositis and a gangrenous colon. As a result of the complications from the gangrene, the patient required emergency surgeries resulting in the loss of his transverse colon and developed severe adhesions which ultimately led to the placement of a permanent colostomy bag and mucous plug. This case was handled by Manuel Epelbaum and Robert J. Dickman, Jr.

Campos v. Baptist Hospital

Settlement: \$2,000,000.00

This case involved a young man who was having no logical symptoms, including loss of balance, change of mentation and was diagnosed with a brain tumor. Unfortunately, the treating neurosurgeon operated on the wrong side of the brain and removed healthy tissue and never got to the area that was diagnosed previously as a tumor. In fact, the Plaintiff never had a tumor, but was suffering from a brain infection, which was treated with medications. A settlement was entered on behalf of the Plaintiff, which provided benefits for the remainder of his life. This case was litigated by Robert J. Dickman and Manuel Epelbaum.

Louis Pare v. North Miami General Hospital

Settlement: \$2,000,000.00

Plaintiff was involved in a car accident and went to the emergency room at North Miami General Hospital complaining of neck pain and dizziness. He was diagnosed with having a whiplash. Rather than remaining in the hospital, he signed out AMA. Several days later, he passed out and suffered a blunt trauma to his head resulting in a brain bleed. Plaintiffs sued the emergency room alleging that they failed to diagnose a neck fracture at the time that the Plaintiff was in the emergency room, which would have resulted in his admission diagnosis and would have resulted in his not suffering blunt trauma to the brain. This case was settled during trial by Manuel Epelbaum and Robert J. Dickman.