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SETTLEMENT RESULT: \$175,000

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Motorcyclist injured in chain-reaction collision

VEHICLE NEGLIGENCE

Motor Vehicle v. Motor Vehicle/Motorcycle/Chain Reaction Collision

NO COURT/UNFILED SETTLEMENT

Kendall v. Gibson, Trial type: Settlement. Settlement date: 11/15/2009.

SETTLEMENT: \$175,000

COUNSEL

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

Defendant: None.

FACTS/CONTENTIONS

According to plaintiff: On October 15, 2008, plaintiff Thomas Kendall, a 48-year-old mechanical engineer, was driving his 2001 Harley-Davidson motorcycle southbound on Greenville Road in the #2 of 3 lanes. Traffic ahead was stopped, so plaintiff started to slow down, when defendant Gibson, driving a 2003 Ford F-150 pickup truck in the #1 lane, collided with another vehicle and then struck plaintiff while he was traveling in the #2 lane.

Plaintiff alleged that defendant third-party driver was negligent in the operation of a motor vehicle and that all of plaintiff's claimed injuries were a direct result of the subject motor vehicle accident.

Defendant accepted liability but disputed the nature and extent of plaintiff's claimed injuries and the need for future surgery to the lumbar spine.

CLAIMED INJURIES

According to plaintiff: Plaintiff suffered injury to his neck, lower back, left shoulder, and left elbow, requiring physical therapy. A lumbar spine MRI demonstrated a 4-5 mm C6-C7 disc herniation for which plaintiff may require an L4-L5 microdiscectomy and decompression surgery in the future.

CLAIMED DAMAGES

According to plaintiff: \$15,865 past medical; \$35,000 future medical; \$31,945 loss of earnings.

SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS

Not reported.

EXPERTS

None.

COMMENTS

According to plaintiff: The insurance carrier was the Chubb Group; the adjuster was Lynne Parker.

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