

OFF-RAMP COLLISION NETS \$1 MILLION DOLLAR SETTLEMENT

Plaintiff was hit from the rear by a commercial vehicle as she exited from an I-10 exit ramp in Gonzales, Louisiana. The defendant driver was an employee of Professional Wireline Rentals, a company owned by Haliburton, Inc., and in the course and scope of employment at the time of the accident.

Plaintiff's asserted a Motion for Summary Judgment on the issue of Liability which was granted by the trial court.

The accident caused plaintiff, a 28 year old female, to suffer spinal injuries including a thoracic burst fracture and herniated disc resulting in a single level lumbar fusion. There was a possibility of a future surgery to expand the fusion to three levels.

The case settled for \$1,000,000.00 five (5) days prior to the scheduled jury trial before Judge Jessie LeBlanc.

Armand, et al v. Professional Wireline Rentals, et al, No. 100,891-D, 23rd JDC, Ascension Parish, 3/14.

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Plaintiffs' experts: Dr. Louis Blanda, Dr. Neal Gorman, Dr. Shelly Savant and Dr. G. Randolph Rice.