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Heartbreaking, Paraplegia to Young Man Caused By Driver Who Violated His Right of Way

Firm's Multiple, Six Figure Settlement with Personal Contribution from At Fault Owner – Urges Carrying UM/UIM Coverage

In January of 2017, our client was simply on his way home on his motorcycle – with his headlight fully illuminated - travelling westbound on Lantana Road – just east of I-95 - when he was hit by a 2012 Hyundai Elantra. The Elantra driver wrongfully **violated our client's right of way** by making a left turn in front of his motorcycle. (The Elantra was travelling eastbound on Lantana Road and made a left turn - to go north - into the shopping center shown below – (see the left side of the photo below).





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The young man was partially ejected from his motorcycle and sustained incapacitating injuries including **paraplegia** from his chest down. He was immediately rushed and treated at **Delray Medical Center** for months and followed-up with extensive In-patient Rehabilitation.

The **Lantana Police** investigated the crash and indicated that the driver of Elantra was at fault since our client had the right of way. Our client did nothing wrong in this crash sequence.

Due to the seriousness of our client's injuries, **Bodily**Injury (BI) policy limits of the Elantra owner and driver
were tendered and a personal individual contribution
from the owner to our client was obtained by Attorneys
Jason J. Guari and Scott Perry.

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Firefighter Seriously Injured on Way to Emergency Call When 18 Wheeler Pulls Out in Front of Him

As our client was on his way to an emergency call with lights and siren engaged, a tractor-trailer pulled into his path. In an effort to avoid the collision, our client immediately slammed on his brakes and swerved to the right; however, he was unable to avoid the collision, resulting in a catastrophic impact.



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The investigating Trooper determined that the truck operator negligently pulled out from a stop sign, violating our client's right-of-way as he was responding to an emergency. Multiple, independent eye witnesses confirmed the same.

Our client was lucky to have survived this crash. He was treated at the scene by Fire Rescue for difficulty breathing, chest wall pain and abrasions/lacerations/contusions to his upper and lower extremities and was transported to the hospital under trauma alert. He was later diagnosed with rib fractures, a right knee injury, and an avulsion fracture at the base of his big toe. Our client subsequently underwent surgery to remove a floating sesamoid bone which had completely broken away and had to be removed.

Since the crash happened during the course and scope of work, Worker's Compensation maintained a six figure lien for medical and wage benefits paid. Murray Guari Trial Attorneys obtained a substantial settlement on behalf of its client. ■







Confidential Settlement for Trip and Fall in Parking Lot Where Victim Required Total Knee Replacement

Our client had exited her car and was walking across the parking lot when she tripped and fell, striking her hands and knees on the pavement and then falling onto her left side. While lying on the ground in grave distress and pain, she looked to see what caused her to fall and saw a rusty piece of rebar protruding from the pavement in the exact spot



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where she tripped. The imbedded rebar was meant to attach

the wheel stop to the pavement, but the wheel stop was broken and out of place, leaving the rebar by itself and visually concealed by an oil stain.

Even the manager of the store who was charged with responsibility to maintain the parking lot agreed that the rebar sticking out of the pavement was a dangerous condition and potential tripping hazard. Ultimately, through the litigation discovery process, we determined that no one was inspecting the parking lot for potential tripping hazards nor were they maintaining the concrete wheel stops, which resulted in the dangerous condition that our client encountered on that day.

As a result of her fall, our client suffered multiple injuries to her upper and lower extremities including a broken elbow and eventually underwent three surgeries to her right knee including a total knee replacement. Her medical bills were nearly \$170,000, and she had no health insurance. The doctors anticipate she will likely incur medical costs over her lifetime of nearly \$400,000.

Thankfully, we were able to resolve this lawsuit to the complete satisfaction of our client. ■



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Unfortunately, our client carried a limited amount of **Uninsured/Underinsured Motorist UM/UIM coverage**, and those limits were timely obtained by Murray Guari Trial Attorneys.

UM/UIM insurance is coverage available from your own insurance carrier for your injuries, medical expenses, lost wages, and pain and suffering when someone causes you to be injured in a crash and that person either carries no Bodily Injury (BI) coverage

or only a small amount of BI coverage. Remember in Florida, the law does not require anyone to carry any BI coverage.

Murray Guari Trial Attorneys urges everyone to purchase as much UM/UIM coverage as they can afford to protect themselves and their loved ones from being hurt through the fault of another and from being left with no avenue to seek fair compensation for their injuries. ■



Over \$400,000 Settlement for Clear Liability Crash Where Client Sustained Serious Spinal Injuries and Underwent Total Knee Replacement

Our client was a restrained driver of a vehicle traveling westbound on a road in unincorporated Palm Beach County. As she was approaching an intersection, suddenly and without warning, the offending driver of a Hyundai pulled out from a community, crossed into our client's path, violated her right of way, and forcefully collided with our client's vehicle. The impact was so heavy that our client's knee smashed against her steering wheel and her vehicle's airbags deployed. She was immediately rushed to the hospital via ambulance.





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To the left are photographs of our client's vehicle - which was deemed a total loss.

Our client tried conservative medical treatment such as x-rays, MRIs, medication, Physical Therapy and injections for her neck, back, and her knee to no avail. However, she ultimately required **a total knee replacement** and after months of convalescence, her claim was successfully resolved by Attorneys Jason J. Guari and Scott B. Perry.



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