

\$175,000 Settlement for an Automobile Accident

Denville, NJ

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In May 2015, Plaintiff was stopped in traffic when he was rear-ended. Plaintiff had prior medical history which consisted of pre-existing conditions to his neck and had been in treatment for months prior to the accident. Just two days before the accident, Plaintiff underwent epidural steroid injections. Plaintiff's pain was significantly aggravated, accelerated and/or exacerbated due to the accident and sustained a significant size central and left-sided disc herniation at C5-C6 with extrinsic impression upon the cervical cord, as well as upon the existing left sided C6 nerve root, requiring operative intervention by way of an open C5-6 arthroplasty and fusion surgery; central disc herniations at C4-C5 and C3-C4 with cord impingement; broad central and left-sided disc herniation at L4-5 which impresses upon the ventral margin of the dural sleeve and encroaches upon the inferomedial aspects of both neural foramina, left more so than right, and lateral recess stenosis and central stenosis, requiring two (2) lumbar epidural steroid injections at L4-5; and left knee injury consisting of chronic left knee strain with chondral damage, synovitis, chondromalacia of the patella, and fracture of the superior lateral aspect of the patella, resulting in a left knee injection.

Although defense had a strong argument because of Plaintiff's prior medical history, this case settled prior to trial in the amount of \$175,000.