

\$200,000 Settlement for Florida Resident Injured in Accident While Visiting New Jersey

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Christopher L. Musmanno, Esq., Chair of the Personal Injury Department and Certified Civil Trial Attorney with the law firm of Einhorn, Barbarito, Frost & Botwinick, PC, Denville, NJ, announces a \$200,000 settlement for injuries that occurred in a car accident. The Plaintiff is 52-years old and resides in Florida. In August 2012, she came to NJ to visit her family and was fully stopped at a red traffic light when her vehicle was struck in the rear. As a result of the accident, she sustained a right-sided disc herniation at L4-5 and a lower extremity EMG examination confirmed right L4 radiculopathy. She was taken via ambulance to Morristown Memorial Hospital. After conservative care failed to relieve her pain, she underwent a series of injections. The injections also failed to relieve her symptoms and she presented for a posterior lumbar laminectomy where a piece of her herniated disc was removed. Unfortunately, the laminectomy surgery was unsuccessful and a full posterior lumbar discectomy and fusion surgery was subsequently performed. The plaintiff did have a positive history for low back complaints but never had any prior accidents. The defense argued that her condition was degenerative in nature unrelated to the automobile accident. With the consent of the plaintiff, and prior to trial, her case was settled for \$200,000.