

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT—NO-FAULT (CONTINUED)

CASE	DATE	COURT	TYPE OF ACTION	PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL	AMOUNT
Ventura v. Garcia Livery Corp.	12/16	New York Supreme	No-Fault Case: Crash caused injuries of knees, shoulder, spine, plaintiff claimed	David Aminov, Commack & Brad A. Kauffman, New York, NY of The Law Office of Brad A. Kauffman, PLLC, New York, NY, trial counsel to Mark H. Weiss, P.C., Commack, NY	\$ 740,000
Ledbetter v. Guzman	9/13	Nassau Supreme	No-Fault Case: Car crash caused disabling spinal injuries, plaintiff claimed	Jason L. Paris, New York, NY of Paris & Chaikin, P.L.L.C.	\$ 725,000
Washington v. Atenco	6/13	Bronx Supreme	No-Fault Case: Couple and children claimed car crash caused spinal injuries	Jay S. Knispel, New York, NY of Law Offices of Jay S. Knispel, LLC, New York, NY, trial counsel, Gassler & O'Rourke, P.C., Great Neck, NY	\$ 635,000
Quiceno v. Mendoza	9/22	Kings Supreme	No-Fault Case: Car crash caused injuries of knee, spine, shoulder, plaintiff claimed	David E. Waterbury, Forest Hills, NY of Law Offices of David E. Waterbury, New York, NY, trial counsel, Taller & Wizman, P.C.	\$ 500,000
Klein v. Cipriano	3/4	Queens Supreme	No-Fault Case: Car crash caused spine, knee injuries, plaintiff claimed	Daniel A. Thomas, New York, NY of Law Offices of Daniel A. Thomas, P.C., trial counsel, Peter S. Thomas, P.C., Forest Hills, NY	\$ 500,000
Gonzalez v. Stamoulis	7/7	Bronx Supreme	No-Fault Case: Man hit by taxi's side-view mirror, claimed spinal injuries	Ian M. Chaikin, New York, NY of Paris & Chaikin, P.L.L.C.	\$ 500,000
Khan v. Deodhari	10/20	Queens Civil	No-Fault Case: Couple hurt in car crash claimed ongoing injuries	Laurence L. Love, Flushing, NY of Law Offices of Laurence Love	\$ 475,000
Apicella v. Van Winkle	9/29	Nassau Supreme	No-Fault Case: Expressway accident caused spinal injury, plaintiff claimed	Glenn Auletta, Ronkonkoma, NY of Gruenberg & Kelly, PC	\$ 425,000
Grajales v. Colon	2/7	Queens Supreme	No-Fault Case: Restaurant's patron struck by car that crashed through window	Brad A. Kauffman, New York, NY of Law Offices of Brad A. Kauffman, PLLC	\$ 425,000
Gonzalez v. Todd	4/8	Bronx Supreme	No-Fault Case: Couple claimed car crash caused knee, shoulder injuries	Stuart Wagner, New York, NY of Morrison & Wagner, L.L.P.	\$ 300,000
Dosso v. Palmar de Ocoa Inc.	5/19	Queens Supreme	No-Fault Case: Car crash caused injuries of back, neck, wrist, plaintiff claimed	Joshua Lockamy, Flushing, NY of Mallilo & Grossman	\$ 225,000
Kim v. B & D Electric	10/25	Queens Supreme	No-Fault Case: Crash caused injuries of knee, neck, spine, plaintiff claimed	Robert Alan Saasto, Hicksville, NY of Hicksville, NY, trial counsel, Sim & Park, LLP, New York, NY	\$ 225,000
Cho v. Cedrick	7/1	Queens Supreme	No-Fault Case: Suit's parties disputed injuries' connection to minor accident	Peter S. Thomas, Flushing, NY of Forest Hills, NY, trial counsel, Charles C. Khym	\$ 225,000
Harris v. Martin	6/9	Westchester Supreme	No-Fault Case: Car crash led to stress fracture of spine, plaintiff alleged	Richard S. Vecchio, White Plains, NY of Worby Groner Edelman L.L.P.	\$ 215,000
Weinstein v. Flaster	5/25	Queens Supreme	No-Fault Case: Couple claimed car crash caused spinal injuries	Gary Slobin, New York, NY of Alpert, Slobin & Rubenstein, LLP	\$ 200,000
Kondel v. Demera	9/13	Bronx Supreme	No-Fault Case: Plaintiff claimed car crash disabled him for three years	Jason S. Krakower, New York, NY of Raphaelson & Levine, PC	\$ 200,000
Wang v. Lam-Lau	11/4	Queens Supreme	No-Fault Case: Woman hit by car, claimed injuries of back, knee, shoulder	Adam E. Deutsch, New York, NY of Morelli Ratner P.C.	\$ 200,000

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT—REAR END COLLISION

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Alfonzo Simmons et al v. Zelenka Nursery et al.	2/14	Federal Court	Plaintiff's Jeep was rear-ended by a tractor trailer involved in interstate trucking. Plaintiff claimed spinal injuries.	John Zaremba & Brian Brown of Zaremba Brownell & Brown, PLLC	\$ 4,500,000
Baez v. Spitz	5/23	New York Supreme	Rear-ender: Accident will result in lifelong spinal woes, plaintiff claimed	Jeffrey A. Block, New York, NY of Block O'Toole & Murphy LLP	\$ 4,250,000
Nyitrai v. Terhaar	10/21	Erie Supreme	Rear-ender: Accident aggravated spinal woes, plaintiff claimed	James E. Brown & Donald P. Chiari, Lancaster, NY of Brown Chiari LLP	\$ 3,375,000
Tsang v. DiVito	11/16	Queens Supreme	Rear-ender: Expressway accident caused spinal injuries, plaintiff claimed	Frederick C. Aranki & Daniel P. O'Toole, New York, NY of Block O'Toole & Murphy, LLP	\$ 2,400,000
Kalu v. Dolah	10/7	Kings Supreme	Rear-ender: Car crash led to fusion of neck, plaintiff claimed	Frederick C. Aranki & Daniel P. O'Toole, New York, NY of Block O'Toole & Murphy, LLP	\$ 1,500,000
Metcalf v. Kelley	5/14	Suffolk Supreme	Rear-ender: Multi-car crash caused spinal injuries, plaintiff alleged	Mathew Marino & Christine M. Schibani, Medford, NY of Jacoby & Jacoby	\$ 1,500,000
Alexis v. Carr	10/25	Kings Supreme	Rear-ender: Plaintiff: sudden stop caused accident.	Sean P. Constable & Stephen J. Murphy, New York, NY of Block O'Toole & Murphy, L.L.P.	\$ 1,250,000
Forbes v. Jackson	3/29	Kings Supreme	Rear-ender: Car crash aggravated neck woes, led to fusion, plaintiff claimed	Stephen J. Murphy & David L. Scher, New York, NY of Block O'Toole & Murphy, LLP	\$ 1,200,000
Rago v. Laura	1/14	Nassau Supreme	Rear-ender: Plaintiffs injured in multi-vehicle crash on bridge	Gerard N. Misk, Queens, NY of Ginsburg & Misk; Peter G. Prisco, Westbury, NY of McAndrew, Conboy & Prisco	\$ 1,000,000
Jimenez v. Zambrano	8/11	Kings Supreme	Rear-ender: Expressway accident led to spinal fusion, plaintiff alleged	Stephen J. Murphy & David L. Scher, New York, NY of Block O'Toole & Murphy, L.L.P.	\$ 950,000
Cerulli v. Wilson	3/30	Nassau Supreme	Rear-ender: Accident led to fusion of neck, motorcyclist claimed	Kostantinos Mallas, Brooklyn, NY of Georgaklis & Mallas PLLC	\$ 875,000
Arieta v. MTA Bus Co.	10/30	Nassau Supreme	Rear-ender: Multi-vehicle crash caused spinal injuries, plaintiff claimed	Steven Bournazos & Dennis S. Matarangas, New York, NY of Bournazos & Matarangas	\$ 845,000
Gaona-Garcia v. Estate of Ruckel	5/25	Bronx Supreme	Rear-ender: Defense experts: Car crash couldn't have caused injuries	Joshua N. Stein, New York, NY of Greenberg & Stein, P.C.	\$ 741,944
Coster v. Williams	1/21	Erie Supreme	Rear-ender: Car accidents caused disabling spinal injuries, plaintiff claimed	John E. Ballow, Buffalo, NY of Ballow Law Firm	\$ 676,500
Millard v. Baptiste	5/10	Kings Supreme	Rear-ender: Crash caused knee, shoulder, spinal injuries, plaintiffs alleged	Larry Hallock, Brooklyn, NY of Wellerstein & Associates	\$ 562,250
Fernandes v. Jalloh	11/30	Bronx Supreme	Rear-ender: Car crash caused neck, shoulder injuries, plaintiff claimed	Liba N. Groveman, Mineola, NY of Sanders, Sanders, Block, Woycik, Viener & Grossman PC, trial counsel, Bergman, Bergman, Lamonsoff & Goldman	\$ 450,000
Ptach v. Lebron	11/10	Westchester Supreme	Rear-ender: Car crash caused back, knee injuries, plaintiff claimed	Scott J. Koplik & Todd J. Krouner, Chappaqua, NY of Law Office of Todd J. Krouner	\$ 350,000

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Higgins v. West 50th Street Associates LLC	2/4	New York Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Building's managers neglected clogged roof drain, tenant alleged	Denise M. Dunleavy, New York, NY of Kramer & Dunleavy, LLP	\$ 7,143,004
Greene v. 350 East Montauk Highway Corp.	4/1	Nassau Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Firefighter electrocuted by improperly wired sign	Lucille Fontana & Henry G. Miller, White Plains, NY of Clark, Gagliardi & Miller, P.C.	\$ 5,500,000
Page v. Ulrich Development Co.	3/11	Niagara Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Building's landlord ignored damaged stairway, suit alleged	Thomas M. Mercure & Scott M. Schwartz, Buffalo, NY of Lipsitz Green Scime Cambria LLP	\$ 3,900,000
Meek-Horton v. Salvation Army	4/28	New York Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: College professor: Need for pain meds led to end of career	Howard G. Frederick & Howard R. Schatz, New York, NY of Silbowitz, Garafola, Silbowitz, Schatz & Frederick, LLP	\$ 3,100,000
Colon v. 315 West 115th Street Co., L.P.	1/20	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Child was poisoned by exposure to lead-based paint, suit alleged	Philip Monier, III, New York, NY of Levy, Phillips & Konigsberg, LLP	\$ 3,000,000
Molina v. N.Y.C.T.A.	10/27	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Suit: Trash a recurrent problem on subway station's stairs	Andrea V. Borden, New York, NY of Burns & Harris	\$ 2,610,000
Kaplan v. Port Authority of New York and New Jersey	1/18	New York Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Fall in airport caused permanent knee damage, plaintiff claimed	Michael W. Gunzburg, New York, NY of Michael Gunzburg, P.C.	\$ 2,305,000
Knab v. Mansell Real Estate Group, LLP	9/30	Erie Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Landlord, contractor ignored dangerous parking lot, suit alleged	Thomas R. Elliot, Buffalo, NY of The Ballow Firm, PC	\$ 2,100,000
Doe v. Bertuna	10/26	Kings Supreme	Inadequate or Negligent Security: Building not closed to outsiders, assaulted tenant claimed	Eric Richman, New York, NY of Law Office of Eric Richman	\$ 2,000,000
Castro v. Baktidy Associates, LLC	3/21	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Roof's collapse a product of neglected drain, plaintiffs alleged	Benjamin E. Setareh, Pleasantville, NY of Benjamin E. Setareh, P.C.; Jordan D. Hecht, New York, NY of Hecht, Kleeger & Damashek	\$ 1,742,500
Roche v. Soho House New York, LLC	10/17	New York Supreme	Dangerous Condition: Club's freshly painted stairs a hazard, guest alleged	Nataschia Ayers, New York, NY of Jaroslawicz & Jaros	\$ 1,593,000
Cusumano v. City of New York	6/9	Queens Supreme	Dangerous Condition: Handrail violated building codes, injured fireman claimed	Michael P. Eisenman & Jonathan M. Kanuck, New York, NY of Miller & Eisenman, LLP	\$ 1,255,000
Gondek v. CSA Transportation Inc.	10/13	Erie Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Rain yard's poor drainage caused hazard, worker claimed	John Collins, Hamburg, NY of Collins & Collins, LLC	\$ 1,200,000
Ever Win Inc. v. 1-10 Industry Associates LLC.	3/1	Kings Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Warehouse flood damaged \$1.3M of clothes, plaintiff claimed	Adam E. Deutsch, New York, NY of Morelli Ratner PC	\$ 1,181,660
MacWhinnie v. MacWhinnie	3/30	Suffolk Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Boiler-carrying plaintiff crushed when stairs collapsed	Denny Brown, Ronkonkoma, NY of Gruenberg & Kelly	\$ 1,170,000
Hart v. Baer's Rug & Linoleum Co. Inc.	5/11	Suffolk Supreme	Failure to Warn: Plaintiff claimed no notice of workplace hazard	John L. Geis, Bay Shore & Mark A. Rudner, Bay Shore, NY of Siben & Siben, LLP	\$ 1,150,000
Velez v. ASAP Distributing Inc.	6/10	Bronx Supreme	Falling Object: Supermarket's customer struck by falling shelf	Christopher A. Marothy, Bronx, NY of Dubow, Smith & Marothy, trial counsel, Michael A. Ruiz, New York, NY	\$ 1,100,000
Wilson v. Skyline Windows, LLC	6/28	Bronx Supreme	Dangerous Condition: Workers' drop cloth created a hazard, apartment's tenant alleged	Glenn A. Herman, New York, NY of Law Firm of Jonathan C. Reiter	\$ 1,050,000
Bradbury v. Greys	11/14	Kings Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Plaintiff sustained three-part fracture of leg in fall on sidewalk	Dov Medinets & Martin Wolf, New York, NY of Ginsberg & Wolf, P.C.	\$ 1,000,000
Gonzalez v. City of New York	4/14	Kings Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: School didn't address slippery vestibule, plaintiff alleged	Paul J. Edelstein, New York, NY of The Edelsteins, Faegenburg & Brown LLP	\$ 1,000,000
Williams v. Singh	2/4	Albany Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Siblings claimed they were poisoned by apartments' lead	Mo Athari, Utica, NY of Athari & Associates, LLC	\$ 1,000,000
Alvarez v. 437 East 165th Street Realty Corp.	6/16	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Plaintiff claimed building's owner ignored damaged sidewalk	Andrea V. Borden, New York, NY of Burns & Harris	\$ 930,000
Mejia v. Grove Gardens Associates LLC	4/29	Queens Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Partygoer fell down elevator's shaft, claimed defect of door	Vito A. Cannavo & Liza Milgrim, New York, NY of Sullivan Papain Block McGrath & Cannavo P.C.	\$ 900,000
Caraballo v. 783 Beck Street Housing Development Fund Corp.	6/29	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Landlord ignored slippery steps, tenant alleged	William Ricigliano, New York, NY of William Ricigliano, P.C.	\$ 900,000
Leonard v. Home Cafe Inc	8/15	Monroe Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Deliveryman claimed restaurant didn't clean greasy floor	Martin D. Smalline, Albany, NY of Smalline and Harri	\$ 850,000
Barbaccia v. Jeanne Marie Associates, L.L.C.	1/3	Rockland Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Apartment complex didn't repair broken floodlight, tenant alleged	Barry S. Kantrowitz, Chestnut Ridge, NY of Kantrowitz, Goldhamer & Graifman, P.C.	\$ 826,576
Murray v. Barcov Holding Corp.	12/21	New York Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Stairway's risers, handrail a hazard, plaintiff claimed	Andrew D. Leftt, New York, NY of David P. Kownacki, P.C.	\$ 825,000
Bender v. 3616 Henry Hudson Parkway Corp.	9/14	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Building's manager didn't clear mounded snow, tenant alleged	Pablo A. Sosa, Bronx, NY of Law Office of William A. Gallina	\$ 800,000
Rodriguez v. South Bronx Community Corp.	5/31	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Apartment building's tenant claimed frayed lobby rug a hazard	Pablo A. Sosa, Bronx, NY of Law Office of William A. Gallina	\$ 800,000
Ortiz v. Joremi Enterprises Inc.	3/15	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Landlord's neglect of door led to girl's injury, suit alleged	John S. Manassis, Flushing, NY of Mallilo & Grossman	\$ 750,000
Gomez v. Christos Realty Inc.	1/11	Queens Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Building's owner didn't shut down faulty elevator, suit alleged	Robert J. Bellinson, New York, NY of trial counsel, Wingate, Russotti & Shapiro LLP	\$ 750,000
Willacy v. Park-58 Corp.	1/20	Kings Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Building's owner didn't clear icy, snowy sidewalk, suit alleged	Michael Maiolica, Great Neck, NY of Law Office of Steven Wildstein P.C.	\$ 750,000
Torres v. The City of New York	11/15	Kings Supreme	Dangerous Condition: Construction caused hole in sidewalk, plaintiff alleged	Kostantinos Mallas, Brooklyn, NY of Georgaklis & Mallas PLLC	\$ 675,000
Guerra v. New York City Transit Authority	4/7	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Subway station's icy platform was ignored, plaintiff alleged	Neil R. Kafko, Bronx, NY of Kafko Schnitzer LLP	\$ 650,000
Groom v. Sagamore Realty, LLC	5/27	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Landlord ignored stairway's broken handrail, tenant alleged	Seth A. Harris & Alison Keenan, New York, NY of Burns & Harris	\$ 617,000
Ogman v. Mastrantonio Catering Inc.	9/27	Richmond Supreme	Dangerous Condition: Partygoer scalded after coffee urn toppled	Martin Rubenstein, Staten Island, NY of Law Offices of Howard M. File	\$ 600,000

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Valez v. Smile Deli Grocery Ltd.	12/7	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Deli's slippery steps caused fall, deliveryman claimed	Timothy M. Sullivan, New York, NY of The Sullivan Law Firm	\$ 600,000
Kahle v. New York State Electric & Gas	3/14	Niagara Supreme	Dangerous Condition: Plaintiff hit by falling debris, claimed injury of neck	Michael C. Scinta, Lancaster, NY of Brown Chiari LLP	\$ 500,000
Doe v. Gateway Sherman Inc.	1/14	Kings Supreme	Inadequate or Negligent Security: Landlord's neglect of security system led to rape, suit alleged	Adam D. Cahn & Matthew Sakkas, New York, NY of Sakkas, Cahn & Weiss, LLP	\$ 500,000
Phillips v. Kashtan Realty LLC	10/12	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Building's broken door lock allowed assault of tenant	Robert P. Kelly, New York, NY of Kelly & Rubin, L.L.P.	\$ 500,000
Harrison v. New York City Transit Authority	6/28	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Subway station's icy platform not addressed, plaintiff claimed	Steven M. Gershowitz, New York, NY of Raphaelson & Levine, PC	\$ 500,000
Hernandez v. 580-585 Realty, LLC.	2/15	Kings Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Building's owner didn't clean up after workers, plaintiff alleged	John Burnett, Howard Beach, NY of Scott Baron & Associates	\$ 500,000
Sow v. Harlem River Park Houses Inc.	1/25	Bronx Civil	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Fall on stairs ended career, computer operator claimed	Howard G. Frederick, New York, NY of Silbowitz Garafola Silbowitz Schatz & Frederick, L.L.P.	\$ 500,000
Iginosun v. Jerome Cluster 1, LLC.	1/19	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Landlord ignored leaky pipe, injured tenant claimed	Joseph P. Stoduto, New York, NY of Wingate, Russotti & Shapiro, LLP	\$ 500,000
Molina v. M. Plaza L.P.	10/26	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Building's porter ignored stairway's hazard, plaintiff alleged	Justin M. Blitz & Fredrick Schulman, New York, NY of Schulman Blitz, LLP	\$ 500,000
Finck v. Marist College	1/19	U.S. District Court, S.D.N.Y.	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: College ignored dorm's leaking ceiling, plaintiff claimed	Frederick C. Aranki, New York, NY of Block O'Toole & Murphy, LLP	\$ 475,000
Paternostro v. Glendale Business Park Ass.	7/7	Queens Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Building's owner, tenant didn't clear icy lot, plaintiff alleged	Adam C. Yanover, Garden City, NY of Yanover & Yanover	\$ 450,000
Marx v. Reckson Associates Realty Corp.	5/17	Suffolk Supreme	Dangerous Condition: HVAC company responsible for vent cover, plaintiff conteded	Ted M. Rosenberg, Holtsville, NY of Rosenberg & Gluck, L.L.P.	\$ 437,500
Singleton v. RiverBay Corp.	4/11	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Co-op complex's tenant claimed she tripped on uneven walkway	Nicole M. Gill, New York, NY of Wingate, Russotti & Shapiro, LLP	\$ 425,000
Encarnacion v. Monier and Encarnacion v. Ballanca	6/9	Richmond Supreme	Trip and Fall: Plaintiff sues after sideswipe auto accident, and subsequent trip and fall.	Christopher R. Dean, Bohemia, NY of Dell, Little, Trovato & Vecere LLP, trial counsel to Bergman, Bergman, Goldberg & Lamonssoff, LLP, Mineola	\$ 417,500
Arroyo v. New York City Housing Authority	6/15	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Building's tenant fell in icy parking lot	Tina M. Wells, New York, NY of Trolman, Glaser & Lichtman, P.C.	\$ 400,000
Ortiz v. NYCTA	9/14	New York Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Subway station's patron claimed she slipped on broken step	Kevin Canfield, New York, NY of New York, NY, trial counsel, Stanley K. Shapiro	\$ 400,000
Raniolo v. City of New York Educational Construction Fund	4/15	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Neglected elevator malfunctioned, plaintiff alleged	William G. Scher, New York, NY of Garbarini & Scher, P.C.	\$ 400,000
Jean v. Slope 2015, LLC	6/9	Kings Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Residence's owner ignored recurrent leak, plaintiff alleged	Nicholas E. Tzaneteas, Mineola, NY of Law Office of Stephen H. Frankel	\$ 380,000
Rivera v. State of New York	2/23	Court of Claims, New York	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Public pool's damaged gutter a hazard, claimant alleged	Steven E. Millon, New York, NY of Shapiro-Millon	\$ 360,788
Sykes v. 247 West 38th Street Realty Corp.	9/26	New York Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Buildings' owners ignored broken sidewalk, plaintiff alleged	Sherri L. Plotkin, New York, NY of Rheingold Valet Rheingold McCartney & Giuffra LLP	\$ 350,000
Manzuela v. 610-620 West 141 LLC	1/24	New York Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Apartment's tenant scalded in tub, claimed boiler was defective	Eric H. Morrison, New York, NY of Morrison & Wagner	\$ 350,000
May v. Hartsdale Manor Owners Corp.	3/2	Westchester Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Apartment's tenant claimed he broke leg in fall on icy stairway	Michael V. Kaplen, New York, NY of DeCaro & Kaplen, L.L.P.	\$ 342,600
Chien v. Costco Wholesale	4/15	Westchester Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Retailer ignored icy parking lot, patron alleged	Christina M. Killerlane & James J. Killerlane, White Plains, NY of Law Offices of James J. Killerlane	\$ 340,000
Gecaj v. AutoZone Inc.	3/23	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Store ignored icy parking lot, plaintiff claimed	Stuart M. Rissoff, Garden City, NY	\$ 325,000
Rakoff v. New York City Department of Education	6/20	Kings Supreme	Slip and Fall: School's instructor slipped in gym, blamed kids in wet clothes	Jeffrey L. Lessoff, New York, NY	\$ 320,000
Schaer v. Stop & Shop Supermarket Co., LLC	7/12	Kings Supreme	Dangerous Condition: Supermarket's patron claimed she slipped on wrapping material	Vito A. Cannavo, New York, NY of Sullivan Papain Block McGrath & Cannavo P.C.	\$ 300,000
Kurek v. Borkowski	2/17	Queens Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Homeowner failed to address hazardous stairway, suit alleged	Joelle T. Jensen, New York, NY of Dinkes & Schwitzer	\$ 300,000
Cappell v. Feinberg	1/17	Queens Supreme	Sidewalk: Trip-and-fall plaintiff sued entire city block of homeowners	Stuart Wagner, New York, NY of Morrison & Wagner	\$ 297,500
Gray v. Love My Shoes of Bayside Inc.	1/19	Queens Supreme	Dangerous Condition: Shoe store's ramp dangerously steep, patron alleged	Kenneth R. Shapiro, Carle Place, NY of Philip J. Rizzuto P.C., Carle Place, NY, trial counsel, Michael Aranow, Sands Point, NY	\$ 290,000
Gonzalez v. 106-20 Shorefront Realty, LLC	3/31	Queens Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Defendants didn't clear icy parking lot, plaintiff alleged	Craig C. DeMeo, Syosset, NY of DeMeo & Associates, LLC	\$ 290,000
Ronda v. Strong Arm Inc.	6/15	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Postal facility ignored recurrent leak, worker alleged	Pablo A. Sosa, Bronx, NY of Law Office of William A. Gallina	\$ 275,000
Williams v. Saati Americas	2/8	Westchester Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Building's drain system caused icy hazard, plaintiff alleged	Kevin J. Quaranta, Bronx, NY of Quaranta & Associates	\$ 275,000

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Silva v. Jerome Terrace Associates, L.P.	6/16	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Plaintiff claimed he broke shoulder after tripping in elevator	Jonathan O. Michaels, Bronx, NY of Pena & Kahn, PLLC	\$ 266,000
Baez-Sharp v. New York City Transit Authority	8/18	New York Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Subway station's leak ignored, plaintiff claimed	Joshua N. Stein, New York, NY of Greenberg & Stein, P.C.	\$ 265,000
Cruz v. 2025 Regent Realty, LLC.	1/19	Kings Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Child poisoned by apartment's lead-based paint, mother alleged	Richard L. Goldberg, Brooklyn, NY of Peters, Berger, Koshel & Goldberg	\$ 265,000
DaSilva v. City of New York	11/10	Kings Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Building's owner ignored icy sidewalk, plaintiff claimed	Norman Steiner, New York, NY, trial counsel, Berkman Law Office, Brooklyn, NY	\$ 261,200
Winger v. Congregation Nechlas Meharim	6/17	Kings Supreme	Dangerous Condition: Synagogue's entryway area a hazard, visitor alleged	Irving Gertel, Brooklyn, NY of Kagan & Gertel	\$ 253,400
Schmalfuhs v. Warwick Valley Stables & Equestrian Center	11/30	Orange Supreme	Inadequate or Negligent Security: Plaintiff said her six-year-old daughter suffered severe facial injuries after she was bitten by a horse, claimed stablehand was negligent	Adam M. Greenberg, New York, NY of Law Alan M. Greenberg, P.C.	\$ 250,000
Moore v. Davidson Realty Associates, LLC	7/28	Bronx Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Restaurant's customer claimed door slammed on her heel	John C. Naccarato, New York, NY of Kim I. McHale & Associates	\$ 250,000
McPhaul v. Mutual of America Life Insurance Co.	12/8	Kings Civil	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Building's lobby a slippery hazard, plaintiff claimed	Norman Steiner, New York, NY, trial counsel, Berkman Law Office, Brooklyn, NY	\$ 250,000
Wojda v. Pezar	11/30	Queens Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Neighbors didn't clear ice from shared driveway, plaintiff alleged	Adam C. Yanover, Garden City, NY of Yanover & Yanover	\$ 247,500
Falzon v. JPMorgan Chase & Co.	6/15	U.S. District Court, E.D.N.Y.	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Bank's staff didn't address slippery vestibule, patron alleged	Anthony J. Emanuel, Garden City, NY of Bornstein & Emanuel, P.C.	\$ 240,000
Mulligan-Shaw v. Six Flags Inc.	12/16	Warren Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Icy parking lot not addressed, plaintiff claimed	Michael T. McGarry, Albany, NY of Finkelstein & Partners, LLP	\$ 225,000
Hicks v. Stern	9/16	Monroe Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Landlord ignored chipping lead-based paint, tenant alleged	Neil J. McKinnon & Michael A. Ponterio & Keith R. Vona, Buffalo, NY of Lipsitz & Ponterio L.L.C.	\$ 221,000
Bracker v. MTA / New York City Transit Authority	8/3	New York Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Subway station's stairway sticky and hazardous, plaintiff claimed	Andrea V. Borden, New York, NY of Burns & Harris	\$ 200,000
Battle v. City of New York	4/13	Kings Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: City ignored uneven sidewalk, plaintiff alleged	Christopher J. Donadio, New York, NY of Burns & Harris	\$ 200,000
French v. Breezy Point Cooperative Inc.	9/28	Queens Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Co-op's resident claimed she slipped on icy sidewalk	Craig C. DeMeo, Syosset, NY of DeMeo & Associates, LLC	\$ 200,000
Means v. City of New York	2/23	New York Supreme	Negligent Repair and/or Maintenance: Plaintiff's fall on stairs blamed on sloppy repair work	Adam H. Rossol, New York, NY of Robinson & Yablon, P.C., New York, NY, trial counsel, Morton J. Sealove	\$ 200,000

PRODUCTS LIABILITY

CASE	DATE	COURT	TYPE OF ACTION	PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL	AMOUNT
Dummitt v. A.W. Chesterton	8/17	New York Supreme	Failure to Warn: Former U.S. Navy man linked mesothelioma to asbestos	Bryan Belasky, Seth A. Dymond, Jordan C. Fox, James C. Long, Jr., & William N. Papain, New York, NY of Belluck & Fox, L.L.P.	\$32,000,000
McCarthy v. A.C. & S., Inc	6/21	New York Supreme	Failure to Warn: Men's fatal cancer caused by asbestos, suit alleged	Michael Fanelli & Danny R. Kraft, Jr., New York, NY of Weitz & Luxenberg, P.C.	\$22,150,000
Marache v. New Palace Painters Supply Co. Inc.	9/23	Bronx Supreme	Warnings: Lacquer's sellers didn't disclose flammability, suit alleged	William Gentile, Anthony P. Gentile & David M. Godosky, New York, NY of Godosky & Gentile, P.C.	\$15,195,840
Hoover v. New Holland North America Inc.	4/8	Niagara Supreme	Design Defect: Auger's protruding bolt a hazard, plaintiff alleged	Laraine Kelley & Richard P. Weisbeck, Jr., Buffalo, NY of Lipsitz Green Scime & Cambria LLP	\$ 8,811,587
Marache v. Akzo Nobel Coatings Inc.	3/2	U.S. District Court, S.D.N.Y.	Warnings: Lacquer's label should have suggested ventilation, suit alleged	Anthony P. Gentile, New York, NY of Godosky & Gentile, P.C.	\$ 4,000,000
Ginter v. Anderson & Vreeland Inc	7/13	Erie Supreme	Failure to Warn: Mesothelioma due to use of grinding machine, plaintiff alleged	Michael A. Ponterio & Keith R. Vona, Buffalo, NY of Lipsitz & Ponterio, LLC	\$ 2,500,000
Failing v. Acbestos Corp. Ltd.	12/7	Niagara Supreme	Failure to Warn: Asbestos's distributor didn't disclose dangers, suit alleged	Michael A. Ponterio & Keith R. Vona, Buffalo, NY of Lipsitz & Ponterio, LLC	\$ 2,000,000
Zarzycki v. LAN Metal Products Corp.	9/19	Kings Supreme	Design Defect: Unshielded press brake snared and crushed worker's hand	Richard A. Gurfein, New York, NY of Gurfein Douglas LLP	\$ 1,100,000

TOXIC TORTS

CASE	DATE	COURT	TYPE OF ACTION	PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL	AMOUNT
Sanni v. Clark	1/19	Kings Supreme	Lead Poisoning: Mother alleged kids poisoned by apartment's lead-based paint.	Maria Castagnozzi, Yonkers, NY of Fitzgerald & Fitzgerald P.C.	\$ 600,000
Lindor v. Gough	4/12	Kings Supreme	Lead Poisoning: Defense: Autism, not lead poisoning, caused defects	Alberto Casadevall, Yonkers, NY of Fitzgerald & Fitzgerald	\$ 555,000
Patterson v. Bozart	3/29	Bronx Supreme	Lead Poisoning	Charles Greene & Robert A. Levy, New York, NY of Friedman, Levy, Goldfarb & Green P.C.	\$ 400,000



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CONSTRUCTION ACCIDENT

CASE	DATE	COURT	TYPE OF ACTION	PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL	AMOUNT
Konstantin v. 630 Third Avenue Associates	8/16	New York Supreme	Labor Law: Contractor didn't disclose asbestos's dangers, suit alleged	Bryan Belasky, Seth A. Dymond, Jordan C. Fox, James C. Long, Jr. & William N. Papain, New York, NY of Belluck & Fox, L.L.P.	\$19,550,157
Carroll v. 1156 APF, LLC	11/15	New York Supreme	Labor Law: Safety harness couldn't prevent paralyzing fall, worker claimed	Gail S. Kelner & Robert S. Kelner, New York, NY of Kelner & Kelner	\$16,500,000
Ball v. New York City School Construction Authority	8/22	Bronx Supreme	Labor Law: Worker paralyzed after being hit by beam that fell from crane	David H. Mayer & Kenneth Sacks, New York, NY of Sacks & Sacks	\$13,000,000
Breen v. 25 Broadway Office Properties, LLC	10/28	New York Supreme	Labor Law: Worker claimed 18-foot fall caused hand, head, spine injuries	Douglas J. Fanning & James J. McCrorie, New York, NY of Fanning & McCrorie, P.C.	\$11,000,000
Yanchapanta v. Eldert Corners LLC	3/2	Kings Supreme	Labor Law: Mason claimed fall from shaky ladder ended career	Christopher J. Gorayeb, New York, NY of Gorayeb & Associates, P.C.	\$11,000,000
Belding v. Verizon New York Inc.	3/30	New York Supreme	Labor Law: Shaky ladder led to fall, amputation of leg, worker claimed	Gail S. Kelner & Robert S. Kelner, New York, NY of Kelner & Kelner	\$ 9,700,000
Valencia v. Obayashi Corp.	5/24	Westchester Supreme	Labor Law: Work site's fallen fence caused paralyzing injury	Anthony J. Pirrotti, Jr., Scarsdale, NY of Pirrotti Law Firm LLC	\$ 8,500,000
Vieira v. Eldora Construction Corp	9/23	Nassau Supreme	Labor Law: Worker fell off ladder, sustained paralyzing injury	Dallin M. Fuchs, New York, NY of Queller, Fisher, Washor, Fuchs & Kool, LLP	\$ 6,500,000
Carmona v. Dormitory Authority State of New York	6/10	Bronx Supreme	Labor Law: Worker claimed 25-foot fall led to fusion of spine	Frederick C. Aranki & Daniel P. O'Toole, New York, NY of Block O'Toole & Murphy, LLP	\$ 6,400,000
Heer v. North Moore Street Developers, L.L.C.	5/27	Bronx Supreme	Labor Law: Fall from scaffold caused brain injury, worker alleged	Michael Flomenhaft, New York, NY of The Flomenhaft Law Firm, PLLC	\$ 5,880,000
Estate of Pauta v. 340 Madison Owner, LLC	10/26	New York Supreme	Labor Law: Worker's slip through scaffold caused fatal injuries	Victor Greco, New York, NY of O'Dwyer & Bernstien, L.L.P.	\$ 5,500,000
Maung Than Zaw OO, v. Prompt Apparel, Inc	12/21	Kings Supreme	Labor Law: Electric shock caused worker to fall from ladder sustaining injuries	Stanley A. Tomkiel, III, New York, NY, Tomkiel & Tomkiel, PC	\$ 5,260,000
Crooks v. E. Peters, LLC.	1/26	Kings Supreme	Labor Law: Fall from ladder caused back, leg injuries, worker alleged	Sean P. Constable & S. Joseph Donahue, New York, NY of Block, O'Toole & Murphy, L.L.P.	\$ 5,000,000
Hu v. Eng	2/1	Kings Civil	Labor Law: Loose floorboards caused fall, fractured hip, worker claimed	Adam E. Deutsch, New York, NY of Morelli Ratner P.C.	\$ 4,500,000
Saucedo v. Sweeney & Conroy, Inc.	10/3	Queens Supreme	Fall from Height: Family sues after ceiling collapsed underneath deceased construction worker.	Frederick C. Aranki & Daniel P. O'Toole, New York, NY of Block O'Toole & Murphy, LLP	\$ 4,475,000
Engel v. 33 West End Avenue GP Inc.	9/21	New York Supreme	Labor Law: Work site's dangerous gap not properly shielded, suit alleged	Kenneth Sacks, Joseph P. Carfora & David H. Mayer, New York, NY of Sacks & Sacks, LLP	\$ 4,450,000
Lanzetta v. Schappert Construction Inc.	3/7	Suffolk Supreme	Labor Law: Scaffold's collapse caused disabling injuries, worker claimed	Ian M. Sack, Islandia, NY of Davis & Hersh, PC	\$ 4,206,910
Morales v. DP 21, LLC	10/3	Bronx Supreme	Labor Law: Worker's 25-foot fall caused fractures of arm, face, leg	Michael S. Lamonsoff, New York, NY of Law Offices of Michael S. Lamonsoff; Kenneth Sacks, New York, NY of Sacks & Sacks, of counsel, Law Offices of Michael S. Lamonsoff	\$ 4,100,000
Gilhooly v. Dormitory Authority of State of New York	11/19	Suffolk Supreme	Labor Law: Ladder accident ended career, carpenter claimed	Kenneth E. Mangano, Sayville, NY of Ferro, Kuba, Mangano, Sklyar, P.C.	\$ 4,005,545
Minchala v. Port Authority of New York and New Jersey	3/8	Queens Supreme	Labor Law: Worker hit and injured by slab that fell off of forklift	Kenneth Sacks of Sacks & Sacks, LLP, New York, NY, Jacob Oresky & Associates PLLC, Bronx, NY	\$ 4,000,000
DeJesus v. Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority	10/18	Bronx Supreme	Labor Law: Scaffold tipped, dumped worker, then fell on him	David H. Mayer, New York, NY of Sacks & Sacks LLP	\$ 3,900,000
Pollizzo v. Mamaroneck Partners L.P.	7/1	Queens Supreme	Labor Law: Plaintiff claimed ladder accident ended construction career	Jacob Oresky, Bronx, NY of Jacob Oresky & Associates PLLC; Howard R. Borowick, New York, NY of counsel, Jacob Oresky & Associates PLLC	\$ 3,900,000
Eichler v. Cumberland Builders LLC	5/11	Kings Supreme	Labor Law: Worker's 8-foot fall from ladder caused spinal fracture	Joseph P. Carfora & Michael A. Rose, New York, NY of Hach & Rose, LLP	\$ 3,525,000
Gaudioso v. St. John's University	6/27	New York Supreme	Labor Law: Worker claimed he was struck by debris thrown from window	Joseph P. Carfora & Michael A. Rose, New York, NY of Hach & Rose, LLP	\$ 3,500,000
Daniels v. FJ Sciamè Construction Co.	4/26	Queens Supreme	Labor Law: Plumber hit by falling gravel at job site, claimed spinal injuries	Stephen J. Murphy & David L. Scher, New York, NY of Block O'Toole & Murphy, LLP	\$ 3,075,000
Palumbo v. Prestige Properties Mgmt.	4/7	Bronx Supreme	Labor Law: Worker died after excavating vehicle fell onto him	Vito A. Cannavo & Frank V. Floriani, New York, NY of Sullivan Papain Block McGrath & Cannavo P.C.	\$ 3,000,000
Massa v. NYC Economic Development Corp.	1/6	Bronx Supreme	Labor Law: Skid loader fell off of building's edge, driver crushed and killed	Jacob Oresky, Bronx, NY of Jacob Oresky & Associates, PLLC	\$ 3,000,000
Gambino v. 835 Avenue of the Americas, L.P.	6/14	Kings Supreme	Labor Law: Worker tossed when excavating vehicle tipped	Marie Ng, New York, NY of Sullivan, Papain, Block, McGrath & Cannavo, P.C.	\$ 3,000,000
Ciepierski v. New York City School Construction Authority	3/18	Bronx Supreme	Labor Law: Mason claimed work platform wasn't safely reachable	David H. Perelman & Mariusz Sniarowski, New York, NY of The Perelman Firm, P.L.L.C.	\$ 2,871,200
Coombs v. City N.Y.	10/13	Bronx Supreme	Labor Law: Blinded worker claimed proper goggles weren't provided	Ronald W. Gill, Brooklyn, NY of Fortunato & Fortunato, PLLC	\$ 2,700,000
Henry v. J.E. Levine Builder	9/14	Kings Supreme	Labor Law: Carpenter fell from roof at condo construction site, suffered injuries	Stanley A. Tomkiel, III, Scarsdale, NY of Tomkiel & Tomkiel PC	\$ 2,700,000
Rodriguez v. City of NY	6/8	Kings Supreme	Labor Law: Fall from scaffold caused disabling injury, plaintiff claimed	William Pagan, New York, NY of The Pagan Law Firm, P.C.	\$ 2,630,000
Dornellian v. New York Builders Corp.	6/22	Kings Supreme	Labor Law: Worker claimed four-story fall caused injuries of head, spine	Jordan D. Hecht, New York, NY of Hecht, Kleeger & Damashek	\$ 2,620,000

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Matos v. City of New York	9/28	New York Supreme	Labor Law: Construction laborer said that he tripped and fell on a pile of concrete	Louis Grandelli, New York, NY of Louis Grandelli, P.C.	\$ 2,500,000
Dickson v. Merkel Properties LLC	11/9	Kings Supreme	Labor Law: Worker's 18-foot fall led to fusion of spine	Jordan D. Hecht, New York, NY of Hecht, Kleeger & Damashek	\$ 2,500,000
Yu v. 2030 Embassy LLC	7/11	New York Supreme	Labor Law: Electrician fell off scaffold, fractured spine	Robert Stein, New York, NY of Caesar & Napoli	\$ 2,250,000
Miller v. Spall Development Corp.	4/4	Monroe Supreme	Labor Law: Fall from stepladder caused disabling injuries, worker claimed	Anthony J. LaDuca, Rochester, NY of LaDuca Law Firm L.L.P.	\$ 2,250,000
Singh v. 244 W. 39th St. Realty Inc.	3/17	Kings Supreme	Labor Law: Worker knocked off of scaffold, plummeted 10 feet	Daniel P. O'Toole, New York, NY of Block O'Toole & Murphy, LLP, trial counsel; Julio C. Roman, Rego Park, NY of Elliot Iffraimoff & Associates	\$ 2,225,000
Moracho v. Open Door Family Medical Ctr. Inc.	5/6	New York Supreme	Labor Law: Worker broke back after fall through open skylight	Gregory J. Cannata, New York, NY of Gregory J. Cannata & Associates	\$ 2,200,000
Ulrich v. City of New York	12/8	Queens Supreme	Labor Law: Messy work site a hazard, plumber claimed	Jordan Hecht & Joel Rubenstein, New York, NY of Hecht, Kleeger & Damashek	\$ 2,125,000
Ramirez-Martinez v. 300 East 74th Street Garage, Corp.	9/26	New York Supreme	Labor Law: Repairman claimed he wasn't provided safe ladder	Jordan D. Hecht, New York, NY of Hecht, Kleeger & Damashek	\$ 2,100,000
Owens v. City of New York	6/1	Kings Supreme	Labor Law: Doorknob's failure caused 10-foot fall, worker alleged	Joseph Carfora & Michael A. Rose, New York, NY of Hach & Rose, LLP	\$ 2,100,000
Espin v. Gouzoz	10/21	Kings Civil	Labor Law: Worker's fall from scaffold caused face and spine fractures	Scott A. Steinberg, New York, NY of Greenberg & Stein P.C.	\$ 2,086,000
Chrabaszcz v. Western Loft Equities LLC	4/11	New York Supreme	Labor Law: Worker broke heel in 6-foot fall from scaffold	David H. Perecman & Steven M. Weinstein, New York, NY of The Perecman Firm, PLLC	\$ 2,000,000
Baker v. KeySpan Gas East Corp.	9/13	Nassau Supreme	Labor Law: Construction worker hurt when trench collapsed	Michael S. Lamonssoff, New York, NY of Law Offices of Michael S. Lamonssoff	\$ 1,975,000
Santana v. Union Withers Realty, LLC	8/1	Kings Supreme	Labor Law: Welder hit by falling beam, sustained fractures of arm	Jeffrey L. Goodman, New York, NY of Law Offices of Jeffrey L. Goodman, P.C.; Ronald J. Landau, New York, NY of Mirman, Markovitz & Landau	\$ 1,750,000
Medina v. 119 Chambers LLC	3/2	New York Supreme	Labor Law: Worker claimed 10-foot fall caused spinal injuries	James J. McCrorie, New York, NY of Fanning & McCrorie, P.C.	\$ 1,750,000
Alvarez vs. 1407 Broadway Real Estate, LLC	11/30	New York Supreme	Labor Law: Scaffold lacking outriggers tips as plaintiff climbs, multiple fractures sustained	Stanley A. Tomkiel, III, New York, NY, Tomkiel & Tomkiel, PC	\$ 1,625,000
Pleace v. Chesapeake Appalachia, LLC	9/23	Niagara Supreme	Labor Law: Worker struck by board that fell from above building's entrance	A. Angelo DiMillo & George V.C. Muscato, Lockport, NY of Muscato, DiMillo & Vona	\$ 1,576,000
Merriman v. Integrated Building Controls Inc.	9/7	Queens Supreme	Labor Law: Fall from ladder caused ankle, head injuries, worker claimed	Gerard N. Misk, Queens, NY of Ginsburg & Misk	\$ 1,500,000
Martinez v. Tishman Construction Corp.	2/16	Queens Supreme	Labor Law: Falling beam struck demolition worker, fractured leg	Frederick C. Aranki & Daniel P. O'Toole, New York, NY of Block O'Toole & Murphy, LLP	\$ 1,500,000
Kilenovic v. 34 Leonard Residential Construction LLC	8/18	New York Supreme	Labor Law: Laborer: Goggles didn't protect against eye injury	Michael J. Hurwitz, New York, NY of David Horowitz, P.C.	\$ 1,500,000
Chacha v. Carsal Associates Inc.	12/14	Kings Supreme	Labor Law: Demolition worker hurt when building's roof collapsed	Martin Grossman, New York, NY of Robert A. Cardali & Associates	\$ 1,475,000
Vassell v. Lexington Hotel, LLC	5/17	Kings Supreme	Labor Law: Worker claimed foreign object permanently damaged his eye	Seth A. Harris & Alison Keenan, New York, NY of Burns & Harris	\$ 1,200,000
Lema v. New York Hospital Medical Center of Queens	4/29	Queens Supreme	Labor Law: Demolition workers hurt when chimney collapsed	Mark Keller, Elmhurst, NY of Abramson & Keller, P.C.; Jon L. Norinsberg, Bronx, NY of Norinsberg LLP; Alex Umansky of counsel, Norinsberg LLP	\$ 1,200,000
Berrios v. 735 Avenue of the Americas, LLC	2/24	Bronx Supreme	Labor Law: Fall from 'scaffold' ended carpentry career, plaintiff claimed	Lawrence R. Bailey, Jr., White Plains, NY of Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, White Plains, NY, trial counsel, Maxwell S. Pfeifer, Bronx, NY	\$ 1,200,000
Ryan v. Breezy Point Cooperative Inc.	6/2	Queens Supreme	Labor Law: Worker broke leg after 13-foot fall from scaffold	Skip Alan LeBlang, New York, NY of Law Offices of Skip Alan LeBlang	\$ 1,200,000
Ferris v. Benbow Chemical Packaging Inc.	4/7	Onondaga Supreme	Labor Law: Worker broke heels in fall from folded ladder	Michael S. Porter, Syracuse, NY of Porter Nordby Howe LLP	\$ 1,027,441
Duque v. City of New York	6/30	Richmond Supreme	Labor Law: Fall from scaffold caused brain damage, plaintiff claimed	Arthur V. Lynch, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ of Lynch Law Firm	\$ 1,006,557
Derjavine v. 1221 50th St LLC	3/14	Kings Supreme	Labor Law: Worker broke spine in fall at unfinished building	Adam M. Orlow, Flushing, NY of The Orlow Firm	\$ 935,000
Franco DeGeorge v. NYCTA	4/18	Bronx Supreme	Plaintiff suffered crush injuries to leg by moving man-lift	John Zarembo of Zarembo Brownell & Brown	\$ 928,000
Divietri v. 1200 Fifth Associates LLC	12/2	New York Supreme	Labor Law: Fall from scaffold caused back, knee injuries, plaintiff claimed	Michael Joseph, White Plains, NY of Law Offices of Michael H. Joseph	\$ 922,900
Shen v. WBSJ K 111	12/20	Kings Supreme	Labor Law: Worker's fingers mangled by miter saw	Adam E. Deutsch, New York, NY of Morelli Ratner PC	\$ 850,000
Fariss v. LeChase Construction Services, LLC	5/23	Niagara Supreme	Labor Law: Injured worker claimed rope not suitable for tugging heavy hose	Gregory P. Krull, Buffalo, NY of Lipsitz Green Scime Cambria LLP	\$ 850,000
Plaza v. Ninth Avenue Tomato Inc.	7/11	Queens Supreme	Labor Law: Plaintiff broke heels in fall from ladder, claimed he can't work	Andrew J. Levine & Howard A. Raphaelson, New York, NY of Raphaelson & Levine, PC	\$ 840,000
Avila v. Avenue K. Developers Inc.	6/20	Queens Supreme	Labor Law: Worker's leg fractured by power tool	Jonathan S. Damashek, New York, NY of Hecht, Kleeger & Damashek	\$ 788,000
Coreas v. Wendel Home Center Inc.	5/19	Suffolk Supreme	Labor Law: Worker claimed ladder shifted, tossed him onto sidewalk	Brian R. Gunn, Garden City, NY of Cerussi & Gunn, P.C.	\$ 780,000
Dukaj v. Circle Properties Associates	12/15	Bronx Supreme	Labor Law: Property owners said laborer should've waited for torch	Duane R. Morgan, New York, NY of Dervishi, Levine & Morgan, P.C.	\$ 775,000
Matofey v. City of New York	2/28	Queens Supreme	Labor Law: Worker claimed noxious fumes made him faint atop ladder	Mark R. Bernstein, Mineola, NY of The Sanders Firm	\$ 750,000
Cepeda v. 360 Brooklyn Investors, LLC	5/12	Kings Supreme	Labor Law: Worker claimed he injured back, wrist in fall from ladder	Stephen J. Murphy & David L. Scher, New York, NY of Block O'Toole & Murphy, LLP	\$ 750,000

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CASE	DATE	COURT	TYPE OF ACTION	PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL	AMOUNT
Pingui v. Zuccarello	11/17	Queens Supreme	Scaffolds and Ladders: Homeowner's Exception to Labor Law Alleged	Jason Shapiro, Bronx, NY of Shapiro Law Offices, PLLC	\$ 750,000
Rojas v. Glenman Industrial & Commercial Contractor Corp.	11/28	Queens Supreme	Labor Law: Icy rooftop led to fall, disabling injuries, worker claimed	Jack L. Grossman, Flushing, NY of Mallilo & Grossman	\$ 725,000
Katouchis v. Jeport Hotel Corp.	9/16	Queens Supreme	Labor Law: Fall from ladder caused spine, rib injuries, plaintiff claimed	Steven Bournazos & Dennis S. Matarangas, New York, NY of Bournazos & Matarangas	\$ 700,000
Mann v. K.G. Indus. Inc.	4/7	Bronx Supreme	Labor Law: Unsecured ladder caused fall, spinal fracture, inspector claimed	Frank V. Kelly, Bronx, NY of William A. Gallina, PLLC	\$ 675,000
Martinez v. Acky Inc.	7/13	Bronx Supreme	Labor Law: Worker's foot crushed by brick that fell during demolition	Jonathan S. Damashek, New York, NY of Hecht, Kleeger & Damashek	\$ 625,000
Martinez v. West 60th Street Associates, LLC.	2/16	Bronx Supreme	Labor Law: Messy work area led to fall, broken ankle, plaintiff claimed	Alan M. Greenberg, New York, NY of Law Offices of Alan M. Greenberg	\$ 600,000

CONTRACTS

CASE	DATE	COURT	TYPE OF ACTION	PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL	AMOUNT
Board of Managers of Essex House Condominium v. Manhattan L.B. Living Trust	1/28	New York Supreme	Breach of Contract: Plaintiffs claimed condo board hid mold problem	John Siegal, New York, NY of Baker & Hostetler	\$ 714,798
Morris v. 702 East Fifth Street Development Fund Corp.	11/17	New York Supreme	Breach of Settlement Agreement: Nightclub hurt by landlord's restrictions, suit alleged	Jerome Greenberg, New York, NY; Fred B. Lichtmacher, New York, NY of The Law Office of Fred Lichtmacher	\$ 706,978
Marty & Dorothy Silverman Foundation v. Mosdos Chofetz Chaim Inc.	8/8	New York Supreme	Fraudulent Inducement: Borrower didn't disclose legal issues, lender claimed	Peter A. Axelrod, New York, NY of Axelrod, Fingerhut & Dennis	\$ 632,758
Pennamen v. Jerman	3/28	Nassau Supreme	Fraud Real Estate: Couple claimed they were scammed in mortgage refinance	Scott R. Cohen, Bellmore, NY of Scott R. Cohen Esq.	\$ 479,586
United Methodist Home of Sharon Inc. v. Wicker	7/25	Dutchess Supreme	Debtor Creditor Fraudulent Conveyances: Nursing home claimed resident hid assets to avoid payment	Peter DeFilippis, New York, NY of Law Offices of Peter DeFilippis & Associates	\$ 123,500
Samett v. ITI Corp.	9/26	Rockland Supreme	Breach of Contract: Unemployment not breach of contract, home's buyers claimed	Ira H. Goldfarb, New York, NY of Friedman, Levy, Goldfarb & Green, P.C., trial counsel to David Englander, Tappan, NY	\$ 117,400

EMPLOYMENT

CASE	DATE	COURT	TYPE OF ACTION	PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL	AMOUNT
Speed v. Six Flags	4/21	American Arbitration Association, Manhattan	Labor & Employment: Six Flags contract breached and ruled fraudulent, arbitrator finds	Gregory N. Filosa & Douglas H. Wigdor, New York, NY of Thompson Wigdor & Gilly LLP	\$24,000,000
Equal Employment Opportunity Commission v. KarenKim Inc.	1/20	U.S. District Court, N.D.N.Y.	Sexual Harassment: Grocery store's female workers alleged lewd behavior by boss	Judy A. Keenan & Ami T. Sanghvi, New York, NY & Markus L. Penzel, Boston, MA of Senior Trial Attorney of Equal Employment Opportunity Commission; Matthew E. Bergeron & Mimi C. Satter, Syracuse, NY of Satter & Andrews Law Firm	\$ 1,260,080
Marable v. City of New York	3/15	U.S. District Court, E.D.N.Y.	Gender Discrimination: Police officer claimed career was stunted by departmental bias	Jeffrey L. Goldberg, Lake Success, NY of Jeffrey L. Goldberg, P.C.	\$ 600,000
Welch v. UPS	10/4	U.S. District Court, E.D.N.Y.	Retaliation: Employee with heart condition says UPS made him do heavy lifting	Peter Romero & Rashmee Sinha, Farmingdale, NY of Frank & Associates, P.C.	\$ 200,000
Roa v. City of New York	10/28	U.S. District Court, S.D.N.Y.	Failure to Accommodate: Injuries led to termination, worker claimed	Steven T. Sledzik, Scarsdale, NY of Jones, LLP	\$ 150,000
Williams v. City of New York	2/23	U.S. District Court, E.D.N.Y.	Race Discrimination: Police officer claimed male sergeant harassed her	Eric Sanders, New York, NY of The Sanders Firm, P.C.	\$ 131,500

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE—BIRTH INJURY

CASE	DATE	COURT	TYPE OF ACTION	PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL	AMOUNT
Bustos v. Lenox Hill Hospital	3/31	New York Supreme	Childbirth: Doctors, nurse mismanaged delivery of child, suit alleged	Scott Occhiogrosso, New York, NY of Hill & Moin, LLP	\$ 5,500,000
Tranchina v. Stern	10/7	Dutchess Supreme	Birth Injury	Thomas A. Moore, New York, NY of Kramer, Dillof, Livingston & Moore	\$ 4,600,000
Torres v. New York City Health and Hospitals Corp.	6/16	New York Supreme	Birth Injury: Birthing techniques led to nerve damage, plaintiff contended	Robert Vilensky, New York, NY of Ronemus & Vilensky, LLP	\$ 1,000,000
Delgado v. Murray	10/14	Bronx Supreme	Birth Injury: Plaintiff: doctor used excessive force during delivery	Stephen E. Erickson, Lake Success, NY of Pegalis & Erickson, L.L.C.	\$ 1,000,000

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE—FAILURE TO DIAGNOSIS/TREAT/MONITOR/TEST

CASE	DATE	COURT	TYPE OF ACTION	PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL	AMOUNT
Carelli v. Westchester County Health Care Corp.	8/5	Westchester Supreme	Failure to Monitor: Hospital didn't anticipate or treat bedsore, patient alleged	Peter E. Tangredi, White Plains, NY of Peter E. Tangredi & Associates	\$14,500,000
Luna v. Spadafora	12/1	Suffolk Supreme	Failure to Diagnose: Doctors failed to recognize signs of thyroid cancer, plaintiff contended	Diane Paolicelli & Daniel J. Woodard, New York, NY of Levy Phillips & Konigsberg, LLP	\$ 6,832,875
Smith v. Long Island College Hospital	8/19	Kings Supreme	Failure to Treat: Untreated arterial condition turned fatal, estate alleged	Dennis A. Breitner, New York, NY of Dinkes & Schwitzer	\$ 5,720,000
Perazzo v. Maimonides Medical Center	5/6	Kings Supreme	Failure to Diagnose:	Michael M. Bast, New York, NY of Silverstein & Bast	\$ 4,000,000
Younus v. Gusset	2/4	Kings Supreme	Delayed Diagnosis: Colon cancer patient claimed doctors failed to diagnose	Harvey Weitz, New York, NY of Weitz & Associates, P.C., New York, NY, trial counsel, Perry Silver, John Chambers P.C.	\$ 3,975,000
Kremer v. Liefbrig	11/21	Suffolk Supreme	Delayed Treatment: Plaintiff said that doctor failed to consult with Infectious Disease expert, schedule follow-up appointment after diagnosing her with MRSA	Thomas P. Giuffra, New York, NY of Rheingold, Valet & Rheingold, P.C.	\$ 3,250,000
Vizzini v. Nezhat	11/1	Kings Supreme	Cancer Diagnosis: Plaintiff: Ovarian growth was not adenocarcinoma	Richard A. Gurfein, New York, NY of Gurfein Douglas LLP	\$ 2,433,000

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE—GENERAL

CASE	DATE	COURT	TYPE OF ACTION	PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL	AMOUNT
Manganiello v. Ahmed	7/8	Orange Supreme	Prescription and Medication: Doc didn't spot patient's sodium deficiency, suit alleged	Robert Winters, Parsippany, NJ of Law Offices of Robert Winters, Parsippany, NJ, of counsel, Fein, Such, Kahn & Shepard, P.C.	\$33,745,000
Estate of Lee v. New York Hospital Queens	12/23	Queens Supreme	Hospital Suit: Decedent was nil per os for three days before surgery	Judith A. Livingston, New York, NY of Kramer, Dillof, Livingston & Moore	\$ 7,579,560

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE—MISDIAGNOSIS

CASE	DATE	COURT	TYPE OF ACTION	PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL	AMOUNT
Capwell v. Guneratne	5/27	Westchester Supreme	Medication Malpractice/Wrongful Death – Failure to properly diagnose and manage her pancreatitis	Matthew Gaier & Judith A. Livingston, New York, NY of Kramer, Dillof, Livingston & Moore, P.C.	\$ 9,000,000
Shickle v. Das	5/26	Westchester Supreme	Misdiagnosis: Surgeons removed nerves not tumor, plaintiff contended	Peter E. Tangredi, White Plains, NY of Peter E. Tangredi & Associates	\$ 2,871,666
Rivera v. Jothianandan	5/6	Bronx Supreme	Misdiagnosis: Appendicitis's effects permanent, suit alleged	Robert J. Bellinson, New York, NY of New York, NY, trial counsel, Law Office of Martha Gold	\$ 2,599,000
Ryan v. NYCH & H	4/7	Kings Supreme	Misdiagnosis: Doc overlooked signs of fatal appendicitis, suit alleged	Allan Zelikovic, New York, NY of Weitz & Luxenberg, P.C.	\$ 1,975,000

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT—BICYCLE

CASE	DATE	COURT	TYPE OF ACTION	PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL	AMOUNT
Cropper v. Stewart	8/11	New York Supreme	Bicycle: Cyclist claimed bus hit him after he avoided taxi's open door	Walter G. Alton, Jr., New York, NY of Walter G. Alton, Jr. & Associates P.C.	\$ 9,180,000
Preiss v. Precision Elevators	9/23	U.S. District Court, S.D.N.Y.	Bicycle: Bicyclist hit by bus after avoiding parked van's open door	Guy I. Smiley & Andrew J. Smiley, New York, NY of Smiley & Smiley, LLP	\$ 1,251,853
Dalliessi v. Bennett	10/12	Westchester Supreme	Bicycle: SUV's driver struck bicyclist from behind, suit alleged	Henry G. Miller & John S. Rand, White Plains, NY of Clark, Gagliardi & Miller, P.C.	\$ 1,250,000
Estate of Rahman v. Elite Delivery Systems, Inc	4/21	Kings Supreme	Bicycle: Bicyclist killed while trying to navigate between trucks	James J. McCrorie, New York, NY of Fanning & McCrorie, P.C.	\$ 691,200
Harding v. Thomason	3/4	Niagara Supreme	Bicycle: Bicyclist hit by SUV, claimed spinal woes	Edward L. Smith, III & Marc C. Panepinto, Buffalo, NY of Cantor, Lukasuk, Dolce & Panepinto, P.C.	\$ 350,000
Tirado v. New York City Transit Authority	5/18	New York Supreme	Bicycle: Bicyclist claimed van's driver opened door in her path	Michael A. Madonna, New York, NY of Trolman, Glaser & Lichtman P.C.	\$ 275,000
Lisa v. Konstantas	12/8	Queens Supreme	Bicycle: Teenager struck by car during nighttime bike ride	Todd M. Rubin, Mineola, NY of Finz & Finz, P.C.	\$ 250,000
Juarez v. Mahmood	7/20	Kings Supreme	Bicycle: Bicyclist collided with U-turning motorist	Robert C. Rosenberg, Brooklyn, NY of Hill, Rosenberg & Thurston, trial counsel, Paul Koenigsberg	\$ 97,000
Wentling v. Oh-Boy Cab Corp	5/23	Kings Supreme	Bicycle: Bicyclist, cabbie debated whether collision occurred	Adam H. Rossol, New York, NY of Robinson & Yablon, P.C., New York, NY, of counsel, Morton J. Sealove	\$ 50,000

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT—PEDESTRIAN

CASE	DATE	COURT	TYPE OF ACTION	PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL	AMOUNT
Kusz v. New York City Transit Authority	8/17	Queens Supreme	Pedestrian: Woman hit by bus, underwent amputations of arm and leg	Alan M. Shapey, New York, NY of Lipsig, Shapey, Manus & Moverman, PC	\$20,316,049
Henderson v. Action Carting Environmental Services	5/24	New York Supreme	Pedestrian: Motorist's seizure results in pedestrian deaths and injuries	Frederick C. Aranki & Daniel P. O'Toole, New York, NY of Block O'Toole & Murphy, LLP; Scott Messinger, Forest Hills, NY of Gladstein & Messinger; Andrew Park, New York, NY of Sim & Park, LLP; Kenneth P. Nolan & Jeanne M. O'Grady, New York, NY of Speiser, Krause, Nolan & Granito	\$10,500,000
Arvelo v. State of New York	9/19	Court of Claims, Buffalo	Pedestrian: Driver veered off road, struck girl, suit alleged	James E. Brown, Donald P. Chiari & Samuel J. Capizzi, Lancaster, NY of Brown Chiari LLP	\$ 8,975,000
Lewis v. New York City Transit Authority	3/3	New York Supreme	Pedestrian: Inattentive bus driver ran over teen, suit alleged	Richard A. Gurfein, New York, NY of Gurfein Douglas LLP	\$ 6,783,203
Anderson v. City of New York	6/30	New York Supreme	Pedestrian: Worker hit by forklift claimed career-ending injury	Ronald C. Burke & Todd J. Strier, New York, NY of Kelner & Kelner	\$ 5,250,000
Ramos v. Charles	9/22	Kings Supreme	Pedestrian: Unlicensed driver's accident blamed on police officer's order	Robert S. Kelner & Gail S. Kelner, New York, NY of Kelner & Kelner	\$ 5,025,000

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT—PASSENGER

CASE	DATE	COURT	TYPE OF ACTION	PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL	AMOUNT
Jean-Baptiste v. PSCH Inc.	2/10	Kings Supreme	Passenger: Man paralyzed for eight months after van crash	Roy S. Hiller, New York, NY	\$12,000,000
McGinn v. Fasman	4/6	Westchester Supreme	Passenger: Teen endured four-month coma after Jeep accident at scout camp	Richard S. Vecchio, White Plains, NY of Worby Groner Edelman L.L.P.	\$ 5,100,000
DiSalvio v. Tsui	12/23	Kings Supreme	Passenger: Front seat passenger said she was rear-ended by defendant, causing partial tear of posterior tibial tendon, ankle injury, spinal injury	Ira H. Goldfarb, New York, NY of Friedman, Levy, Goldfarb & Green P.C. trial counsel	\$ 4,984,055
Fowlkes v. Half Hollow Hills C.S.D.	4/4	Suffolk Supreme	Passenger: School bus accident left boy with brain damage, suit alleged	William Ricigliano & Joel H. Robinson, New York, NY of Robinson & Yablon, P.C.	\$ 3,775,000
Tondreau v. City of New York	5/19	Queens Supreme	Passenger: Policeman wrong to pursue motorist for U-turn, suit alleged	John K. Avanzino, Brooklyn, NY of Avanzino & Moreno, P.C., Brooklyn, NY, trial counsel, Rubenstein & Rynecki	\$ 2,525,000
Musheyev v. New York City Transit Authority	1/28	Queens Supreme	Passenger: Crash between bus and school van led to girls' lawsuits	Harry Burstein, Great Neck, NY of Fischer and Burstein, P.C.; Steven Miller, Roslyn Heights, NY of Miller, Montiel & Strano, P.C.	\$ 1,966,000
Horton v. Hannaford Trucking Co.	3/7	Bronx Supreme	Passenger: Plaintiff claimed she tore knees in highway crash	Alan M. Greenberg, New York, NY of Law Offices of Alan M. Greenberg, New York, NY, trial counsel, Sheldon Leibenstein	\$ 1,700,000
Murphy v. Hempstead Auto Sales, Ltd	6/23	Nassau Supreme	Passenger: Car crash caused injuries of spine, shoulder, plaintiff claimed	Joel Levine, Mineola, NY of Levine & Wiss	\$ 1,505,000
Parchment v. Wolfe	8/23	Nassau Supreme	Passenger: Accident ended hope for football scholarship, plaintiff claimed	Mark E. Weinberger, Great Neck, NY of Mark E. Weinberger, P.C.	\$ 1,220,000
Kellum v. Autorama Enterprises of Bronx Inc.	7/28	Bronx Supreme	Passenger: Teacher claimed she switched to sub position after accident	Kostantinos Mallas, Brooklyn, NY of Georgaklis & Mallas PLLC, Brooklyn, NY, trial counsel, Crasto & Associates	\$ 1,000,000
Christie v. Minning-Hirschfield	2/3	Kings Supreme	Passenger: Cars collided during funeral procession, right of way debated	Michael P. Vessa, Uniondale, NY of Vessa & Wilensky, P.C.	\$ 865,000
Estate of Gilmartin v. Commack Auto Transport Inc.	2/14	Suffolk Supreme	Passenger: Driver's failure to yield caused fatal crash, suit alleged	Robert M. Ginsberg, New York, NY of Ginsberg & Wolf, P.C.	\$ 775,000
Vasquez v. Estate of Roots	7/25	Queens Supreme	Passenger: Plaintiff claimed car crash caused injuries of shoulder, spine	L. Michael Davicino, Huntington Station, NY of Cannon & Acosta LLP	\$ 750,000
Quast v. Ibrahim	2/9	Queens Supreme	Passenger: Vehicular accident's parties disputed status of traffic signals	Robyn Brazzil & Daniel P. O'Toole, New York, NY of Block O'Toole & Murphy, LLP, New York, NY, trial counsel, Omrani & Taub, P.C.	\$ 750,000
Mancini v. CSX Transportation Inc.	2/16	U.S. District Court, N.D.N.Y.	Passenger: Railroad didn't provide safe trip home, conductor claimed	David L. Lockard, Philadelphia, PA of David Lockard & Associates; Colleen M. Murphy & Christopher M. Murphy, Buffalo, NY of Doran & Murphy, PLLC	\$ 646,105
Smart v. Falcon Voice & Data Inc.	10/14	Bronx Supreme	Passenger: Motorist turned across traffic, caused crash, plaintiffs claimed	Stephen Z. Williamson, Queens, NY, trial counsel, Elliot Iffraimoff & Associates	\$ 625,000
Lindlau v. Redland Insurance	4/5	Matter not filed	Passenger: Car crash caused injuries of spine, shoulder, claimant alleged	Michael DellaUniversita, Ronkonkoma, NY of Gruenberg & Kelly, P.C.	\$ 475,000
Edwards v. Caledonia Limo & Car Service Inc.	3/7	Bronx Supreme	Passenger: Taxi's fare broke arm when cab struck pole	Robert J. Menna, New York, NY of the Law Offices of Alan M. Greenberg, P.C.	\$ 400,000
Rodriguez v. Philadelphia Insurance Cos.	6/27	Richmond Supreme	Passenger: Auto accident caused injuries of back, knee, plaintiff claimed	Michael H. Bush, Staten Island, NY of Chelli & Bush	\$ 350,000
Frank v. Marchica	3/18	Kings Supreme	Passenger: Car crash led to permanent hand pain, plaintiff claimed	Michael W. Gunzburg, New York, NY of Gunzburg & Associates	\$ 350,000
Reyes v. Libster	1/11	Richmond Supreme	Passenger: Plaintiff claimed car crash caused pelvis, shoulder injuries	Jason L. Paris, New York, NY of Paris & Chaikin, P.L.L.C.	\$ 350,000
Lopez v. Birnie Bus Service Inc	7/13	Oneida Supreme	Passenger: Bus's abrupt stop caused fall and fracture, rider claimed	Stephen P. Joyce, Sherburne, NY of Joyce and Holbrook	\$ 340,000
Bush v. Shiovone	2/16	Westchester Supreme	Passenger: Mortgage broker claimed car crash caused permanent injury	Neil Flynn, Garden City, NY of Paul Ajlouny & Associates	\$ 260,000
Perez v. Varughuse	2/3	Queens Supreme	Passenger: Motorist's lane change blamed for three-car crash	John Elefterakis, New York, NY of Elefterakis & Elefterakis	\$ 260,000
Brown v. Outler	3/17	Bronx Supreme	Passenger: Driver's hasty turn led to crash, passenger contended	Raphael Rybak, New York, NY of Mark E. Seitelman Law Offices	\$ 250,000
Zangari v. Pogue	8/10	Jefferson Supreme	Passenger: Outdoorsman claimed crash's injury affected his ability to work	Craig K. Nichols, Fayetteville, NY of Nichols Law Offices, PLLC	\$ 250,000
Chiara v. Dernago	9/21	Nassau Supreme	Passenger: Drunken driver caused crash on bridge, plaintiffs claimed	Edmond C. Chakmakian, Hauppauge, NY of Law Offices of Edmond C. Chakmakian, P.C.	\$ 230,000
Pomakoyk v. Inman	7/22	Saratoga Supreme	Passenger: Plaintiff claimed car accident resulted in permanent foot pain	Warren Redlich, Albany, NY of Redlich Law Firm	\$ 225,000
Cotrone v. Peritore	12/12	Kings Supreme	Passenger: Expressway crash aggravated spinal woes, couple claimed	Anthony J. Rattoballi, Mineola, NY of Cartiglia, Connolly & Russo	\$ 185,000
Hughes v. Penney	6/23	Greene Supreme	Passenger: Car's passenger couldn't save himself after driver passed out	William M. Simon, Tannersville, NY of Simon & Schneider PLLC	\$ 175,000
Vainer v. Disalvo	10/28	Kings Supreme	Passenger: Car crash caused injury of knee, plaintiff claimed	Eitan A. Ogen, New York, NY of Ogen & Sedaghati, P.C.	\$ 168,000
Rosado v. Johnson	1/19	Bronx Supreme	Passenger: Car crash caused tears of knees, plaintiff claimed	Adam Cahn & Matthew Sakkas, New York, NY of Sakkas, Cahn & Weiss, LLP	\$ 150,000
White v. Diaz	6/7	Bronx Supreme	Passenger: Double-parked van's passenger hurt in crash	Alan A. Tarzy, New York, NY of Law Office of Alan A. Tarzy	\$ 150,000

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT—PEDESTRIAN (CONTINUED)

CASE	DATE	COURT	TYPE OF ACTION	PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL	AMOUNT
Estate of Kull v. Alpine Bakery Inc.	1/5	New York Supreme	Pedestrian: Motorist's inattentive act had fatal result, suit alleged	David P. Kownacki & Andrew D. Leftt, New York, NY of David P. Kownacki, P.C.	\$ 3,000,000
Davis v. City of NY	1/31	Kings Supreme	Pedestrian: Bystander hurt when car rolled out of crash, mounted sidewalk	Jeffrey A. Block & S. Joseph Donahue, New York, NY of Block O'Toole & Murphy, LLP	\$ 2,875,000
Zeiset v. Trenway Wagar Inc	2/17	Livingston Supreme	Pedestrian: Fatal highway crash blamed on bus driver having fallen asleep	Richard J. Barnes, Buffalo, NY of Cellino & Barnes, P.C.; Alfred J. Monte, Jr., Blue Bell, PA of Fox Rothschild LLP; Edith A. Pearce, Philadelphia, PA of The Pearce Law Firm; Mark J. Valerio, Rochester, NY of Valerio & Kufta	\$ 2,627,500
Simon v. Heins	9/28	Suffolk Supreme	Pedestrian: Plaintiff claimed she was struck by distracted motorist	Harvey Weitz, New York, NY of Weitz & Associates, New York, NY, trial counsel; Marc H. Miner, New York, NY of Zalman, Schnurman & Miner P.C.	\$ 2,375,000
Ricardi v. Conley	1/17	Nassau Supreme	Pedestrian: Deliveryman struck by car while unloading truck	Seth I. Fields, West Babylon, NY of Fields & Levy, LLP	\$ 2,000,000
Attoh v. New York City Transit Authority	7/11	Bronx Supreme	Pedestrian: Drunken man stumbled into bus's path, defense contended	James H. Bartolomei & Jeff S. Korek, New York, NY of Gersowitz, Libo & Korek, PC	\$ 2,000,000
Estate of Dymburt v. NYCTA	6/9	Kings Supreme	Pedestrian: Woman sustained fatal injuries after being hit and dragged by bus	Nicholas A. Wise, New York, NY of Weitz & Luxenberg, P.C.	\$ 1,500,000
Tiongson v. K.P. Hospitality LLC.	5/16	Queens Supreme	Pedestrian: Hotel's doorman was hit by shuttle bus, suffered knee injuries	Harlan A. Wittenstein, Oceanside, NY of Wittenstein & Associates, trial counsel, Law Office of Neil Kalra, P.C., Forest Hills, NY	\$ 1,395,000
Alfonso v. Metropolitan Transit Authority	4/15	New York Supreme	Pedestrian: Woman struck by bus, claimed disabling fracture of wrist	David J. Dean, New York, NY of Sullivan Papain Block McGrath & Cannavo P.C.	\$ 1,290,000
Tsoi v. Lucky River Transportation	10/11	New York Supreme	Pedestrian: Bus's driver should have yielded, injured pedestrian claimed	William J. Ryan, New York, NY of Lurie, Ilchert, MacDonnell & Ryan LLP	\$ 1,250,000
Olsen v. Silverman	3/10	Suffolk Supreme	Pedestrian: Jogger struck by car, sustained fatal injuries	Mark E. Alte & Alexander J. Galvez, Mineola, NY of Law Offices of Mark E. Alter	\$ 1,250,000
Kaplun v. Morris	12/23	Kings Supreme	Pedestrian: Man hit by mini-bus, claimed injuries of e lbow, head, wrists	Harlan A. Wittenstein, Oceanside, NY of Wittenstein & Associates	\$ 1,100,300
Aguilar v. Williams	11/3	Queens Supreme	Pedestrian: Turning motorist didn't yield, injured pedestrian claimed	Elliott H. Taub, New York, NY of The Taub Law Firm, P.C.	\$ 1,050,000
Estate of Acteopan v. FJC Security Services Inc.	9/14	Kings Supreme	Pedestrian: Boy fatally wounded after being hit by two cars, suit alleged	Donte O. Mills, New York, NY of Sullivan Papain Block McGrath & Cannavo P.C.	\$ 1,000,000
Civitello v. E-Freight Seaboard World Logistics LLC	3/9	Kings Supreme	Pedestrian: Plaintiff claimed forklift accident led to permanent foot pain	John Bonina, Jr., Brooklyn, NY of Bonina & Bonina P.C.	\$ 1,000,000
Testa v. Rywalt	1/31	Queens Supreme	Pedestrian: Car bounced out of collision, hit bystander on sidewalk	Frederick C. Aranki & Stephen J. Murphy, New York, NY of Block O'Toole & Murphy, LLP	\$ 900,000
Caraballo v. Zhang	11/17	Kings Supreme	Pedestrian: Car hit by truck, was pushed into pedestrian	Kenneth R. Shapiro, Carle Place, NY of Philip J. Rizzuto, P.C.	\$ 900,000
Geller v. Acme Bus Corp.	5/20	Nassau Supreme	Pedestrian: Teacher hit by car, claimed career-ending brain injury	Howard S. Kass, Carle Place, NY	\$ 850,000
Sanabria v. Fulcher	6/1	Bronx Supreme	Pedestrian: Suit's parties debated whether motorist struck pedestrian	Tina M. Wells, New York, NY of Trolman, Glaser & Lichtman, P.C.	\$ 800,000
Toribio v. Javier	5/10	U.S. District Court, E.D.N.Y.	Pedestrian: Speeding trucker didn't notice child in street, suit alleged	Robert Vilensky, New York, NY of Ronemus & Vilensky, LLP	\$ 650,000
Crivello v. Beck	12/6	Suffolk Supreme	Pedestrian: Plaintiff claimed she was struck by inattentive driver	Michael P. Vessa, Uniondale, NY of Vessa & Wilensky, P.C.	\$ 635,000
Estate of Stedge v. Danow	4/26	Rockland Supreme	Pedestrian: Defense: Pedestrian's poor judgment led to fatal accident	Jonathan Ripps, Suffern, NY; Jeffrey M. Adams, Bardonia, NY of Adams Law Firm, P.C.	\$ 600,000
Skouras v. Enterprise Rent-a-Car	6/14	New York Supreme	Pedestrian: Plaintiff struck by van, claimed he suffers brain damage	Dennis S. Matarangas, New York, NY of Bournazos & Matarangas	\$ 600,000
Brutting v. Town of Fishkill	11/1	Dutchess Supreme	Pedestrian: Drunken man struck by car, claimed driver never saw him	Barry Birbrower, Peekskill, NY of The Birbrower Law Firm	\$ 500,000
Wilensky v. Chesir	3/3	Kings Supreme	Pedestrian: Parked truck, inattentive driver blamed for pedestrian accident	David M. Godosky, New York, NY of Godosky & Gentile, P.C.	\$ 500,000
Fisher v. Tickle	6/15	Richmond Supreme	Pedestrian: Plaintiff claimed car mounted sidewalk and struck him	Rodney Stilwell, Staten Island, NY of Tracy & Stilwell	\$ 425,000
Fried v. MTA Long Island Bus	5/26	Nassau Supreme	Pedestrian: Plaintiff struck by bus, claimed driver ignored stop sign	Glenn Auletta, Ronkonkoma, NY of Gruenberg & Kelly, P.C.	\$ 425,000
Hossain v. Cruz	6/2	Queens Supreme	Pedestrian: Motorist, pedestrian debated who initiated collision with whom	William C. Bellard, New York, NY of New York, NY, of counsel, Perry D. Silver, PLLC	\$ 400,000
Sanchez v. Nichols	6/6	Westchester Supreme	Pedestrian: Plaintiff claimed speeding driver struck her	James C. Freeman, White Plains, NY of Kent Hazzard LLP	\$ 400,000
Werner v. Falbo	7/20	Monroe Supreme	Pedestrian: Driver, pedestrian debated who initiated contact with the other	Anthony J. LaDuca, Rochester, NY of LaDuca Law Firm, L.L.P.	\$ 350,000
Martinet v. Stevens	10/13	Ulster Supreme	Pedestrian: Vehicle bounced out of collision, hit fence, sign, house	Daniel G. Heppner, Kingston, NY of Rusk, Wadlin & Heppner	\$ 328,500
Nguessan v. Mr. Tires Automotive Inc.	3/3	Bronx Supreme	Pedestrian: Plaintiff claimed careless mechanic struck him with car	Alexandra F. Pinilla, Forest Hills, NY of Law Offices of Morton Povman, P.C., Bronx, NY, trial counsel, Orlian & Levine, New York, NY	\$ 310,000
Gill v. Alvarado	8/2	Bronx Supreme	Pedestrian: Plaintiff argued defendant was speeding before knock-down	Gerard A. Lucciola, New York, NY of The Cochran Firm	\$ 250,000
Morrison v. Rasoulinejad	7/18	Bronx Supreme	Pedestrian: Plaintiff claimed distracted motorist backed into him	Julian J. Bailey, Manhasset, NY	\$ 250,000

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT—PEDESTRIAN (CONTINUED)

CASE	DATE	COURT	TYPE OF ACTION	PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL	AMOUNT
Kempf v. Allstate Insurance Co.	11/1	American Arbitration Association	Pedestrian: Plaintiff hit by car, claimed driver sped into intersection	Dennis S. Matarangas, New York, NY of Bournazos & Matarangas	\$ 250,000
Estate of Munoz v. Guarino	3/29	Queens Supreme	Pedestrian: Suit's parties debated location of fatal car accident	George J. Pfluger, New York, NY of Sullivan Papain Block McGrath & Cannavo, P.C.	\$ 225,576
Dinewitz v. Bouderau	4/5	Nassau Supreme	Pedestrian: Pedestrian, SUV's driver disputed whether contact occurred	Stuart Wagner, New York, NY of Morrison & Wagner L.L.P.	\$ 200,000
Guzman v. Gee	3/24	Bronx Supreme	Pedestrian: Policeman hit by car, claimed motorist ignored his instructions	Marc D. Citrin, Suffern, NY of Suffern, NY, trial counsel, Park & Nguyen, Bronx, NY	\$ 200,000
Reitman v. Blue Chip Building Maintenance Inc.	9/30	New York Supreme	Pedestrian: Plaintiff hit by van, fell and broke nose	Eric Richman, New York, NY of Law Office of Eric Richman;	\$ 185,000
Batista v. Hartford Fire Insurance Co.	9/27	Bronx Supreme	Pedestrian: Man hit by car claimed disabling spinal injury	John J. Burnett, Howard Beach, NY of Scott Baron & Associates, P.C.	\$ 150,000
Shortte v. Gibbs	3/15	Queens Supreme	Pedestrian: Car crash caused spinal injuries, plaintiff alleged	Dimitri Kotzamanis, Jamaica, NY of Shaevitz & Shaevitz	\$ 140,000
Grinnage v. Flatrate Transportation LLC	1/28	Kings Supreme	Pedestrian: Livery cab bumped other cab, toppling fare	Richard M. Levy, Brooklyn, NY of Rubenstein & Rynecki	\$ 125,000
Milonis v. Tietze	7/29	Nassau Supreme	Pedestrian: Woman hit by car, claimed fractures of spine	L. Michael Davicino, Huntington Station, NY of Cannon & Acosta LLP	\$ 120,000
Pope v. Doe	4/1	Bronx Supreme	Pedestrian: Plaintiff struck by car, claimed injuries of back, shoulder	Daniel S. Berke, New York, NY, trial counsel to Scott Inwald, Fort Lee, NJ	\$ 105,000
Guy v. O'Brien	8/12	Richmond Supreme	Pedestrian: Man hit by car, claimed injury ended hope of basketball career	Patrick F. Bisogno, Brooklyn, NY of Bisogno & Meyerson	\$ 100,800
Gilfedder v. Super Josh Cab Corp.	6/14	Kings Supreme	Pedestrian: Cabbies traded blame for crash that ended with injured pedestrian	Barry Montrose, New York, NY, trial counsel to Robyn M. Brilliant, New York, NY	\$ 100,000
Wallace v. Bryson	2/4	Queens Supreme	Pedestrian: Car's owners liable for thief's injurious jaunt, suit alleged	Joel A. Horowitz, New York, NY of Burns & Harris	\$ 100,000
Broadway v. New Mega Limo Car Service	2/14	Kings Supreme	Pedestrian: Plaintiff claimed taxi backed into her on one-way street	Stephen H. Jacobson, New York, NY of Hecht, Kleeger & Damashek	\$ 100,000
Henderson v. Arnold	9/6	Oneida Supreme	Pedestrian: Plaintiff hit by SUV, claimed permanent shoulder injury	Victoria Lieb Lightcap, Liverpool, NY of Finkelstein & Partners LLP	\$ 100,000
Portillo v. Franco	2/22	Queens Supreme	Pedestrian: Woman claimed she was hit by car, hurt back and knee	Steven L. Kaplan, Melville, NY of Kaplan & Kaplan, P.C.	\$ 100,000
Semple v. Rocio	6/9	Kings Supreme	Pedestrian: Teen hit by car, claimed she sustained injuries of spine	Gencian Gjoni, New York, NY of Raphaelson & Levine, PC	\$ 98,000

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT—ROADWAY

CASE	DATE	COURT	TYPE OF ACTION	PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL	AMOUNT
John Doe v. ABC Corp.	7/11	Bronx Supreme	Motor Vehicle: Motorist pinned between cars, bilateral leg amputations	Evan Torgan, New York, NY of Torgan Cooper & Aaron, P.C.	\$20,000,000
Chun v City & State of NY	7/8	NY Supreme & Court of Claims	Roadways: Removal of signs created hazardous condition leading to intersection accident	Edward T. Cooper, New York, NY of Torgan Cooper & Aaron, P.C.	\$12,025,000
Batista v. State of New York	3/22	Court of Claims, New York	Dangerous Condition: Parkway's acceleration lane too short, claimant alleged	Frank Panetta, Garden City, NY of Massimo & Panetta	\$ 4,300,000
Saling v. Triborough Bridge & Tunnel Authority	3/22	New York Supreme	Defective Roadway: Motorcyclist claimed bridge's roadway was poorly constructed	Andrew W. Siegel, New York, NY of Geller & Siegel	\$ 2,500,000

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT—NO-FAULT

CASE	DATE	COURT	TYPE OF ACTION	PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL	AMOUNT
Marquez v. Labriola	3/9	Bronx Supreme	No-Fault Case: Car crash caused spinal injuries, plaintiff claimed	Adam Handler, New York, NY of Law Offices of Spar & Bernstein, P.C.	\$ 2,550,000
Trezza v. M.T.A.	11/22	Bronx Supreme	No-Fault Case: Car crash caused shoulder, spine injuries, plaintiff claimed	Eitan A. Ogen, New York, NY of Ogen & Sedaghati, P.C.	\$ 2,500,000
Anderson v. State of New York	6/23	Court of Claims, Albany	No-Fault Case: Car crash caused spinal injuries, claimant alleged	Alan J. Stern, Garden City, NY of Alan J. Stern, P.C.; Walter F. Benson, Syracuse, NY of Counsel	\$ 2,233,288
Rotondo v. Northrop Grumman Corp.	6/24	Nassau Supreme	No-Fault Case: Car crash caused back, knee, neck injuries, plaintiff alleged	Marilyn Diamond, Garden City, NY of Diamond Law Offices; Michael W. Gunzburg, New York, NY of Michael Gunzburg, P.C.	\$ 1,324,500
Schoenle v. Mosher	2/7	Erie Supreme	No-Fault Case: Vehicular accident aggravated spinal woes, plaintiff claimed	Stephen R. Foley, Buffalo, NY of Paul William Beltz, P.C.	\$ 925,000
Cristo v. Lebron	2/9	Bronx Supreme	No-Fault Case: Plaintiff hit by passing truck's open door, claimed he can't work	Mark S. DeAngelis, Mount Vernon, NY of DeAngelis & Hafiz	\$ 900,000
Hume-Folk v. Paper Service Inc.	4/12	Bronx Supreme	No-Fault Case: Three-car crash caused injuries of shoulder, wrist, plaintiff claimed	Joseph Gorczyca & Christopher F. Holbrook, Jericho, NY of Schwartzapfel Partners P.C.	\$ 900,000
Ahmad v. Bivomi	2/23	New York Supreme	No-Fault Case: Cabbie struck by taxi, claimed injuries of spine	Alan R. Inwood, New York, NY of Hochheiser Hochheiser & Inwood LLP	\$ 800,000
Kahvejian v. Pardo	10/6	Rockland Supreme	No-Fault Case: Car crash caused permanent injury of hip, plaintiff claimed	Justin S. Blash, New York, NY of New York, NY, trial counsel, Neimark & Neimark LLP, New City, NY	\$ 800,000
Alfred v. Dodge	8/4	Bronx Supreme	No-Fault Case: Traffic accident caused tear of shoulder, plaintiff claimed	Howard G. Frederick, New York, NY of Silbowitz Garafola Silbowitz Schatz & Frederick, L.L.P.	\$ 800,000