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Driver Receives \$15K for CR-65 Broadside MVA

Court of Common Pleas of Ohio, Cuyahoga County.

Copfer v. Blasko

Type of Case:

Vehicle Negligence • Motor Vehicle v. Motor Vehicle
Vehicle Negligence • Intersection
Vehicle Negligence • Broadside
Vehicle Negligence • Signal Violation
Vehicle Negligence • Stationary Structure

Specific Liability: Driver failed to stop for red traffic signal, struck another vehicle broadside in intersection

General Injury: Fractured left navicular bone, ruptured left peroneal longus tendon, left leg contusion, sprains and strains, past and future medical expenses

Jurisdiction: State: Ohio County: Cuyahoga

Related Court Documents:

Plaintiff's complaint: [2007 WL 4792629](#)
Defendant's answer: [2007 WL 4792628](#)
Plaintiffs' trial brief: [2007 WL 4792626](#)
Defendant's trial brief: [2007 WL 4792627](#)
Verdict form: [2007 WL 4792351](#)

Case Name: Ray F. Copfer v. Pauline Blasko and Aetna Health Inc.

Docket/File Number: CV-07-612132

Verdict: Plaintiff, \$15,000.00

Verdict Range: \$1 - 49,999

Verdict Date: Dec. 18, 2007

Judge: [James D. Sweeney](#)

Attorneys:

Plaintiff: [Michael G. Dobronos](#), Dobronos and Dobronos, Brecksville, Ohio
Defendant: [Andrew H. Isakoff](#), Brooklyn, Ohio

Trial Type: Jury

Experts:

Plaintiff: [Alinawaz Moghal, MD](#), general practice, Gates Mills, Ohio
Defendant: [Timothy L. Gordon, MD](#), orthopedic surgeon, Willoughby Hills, Ohio

Breakdown of Award: \$15,000.00 to plaintiff

Summary of Facts: Ray Copfer was driving north on Ames Road March 6, 2006. He was preparing to make a left hand turn west onto CR-65 when Pauline Blasko, who was driving west on CR-65, allegedly ran a red traffic light and struck Copfer's car broadside. Copfer's vehicle spun and struck a utility pole. He sustained physical injuries for which he sought medical care and payment through his health **insurance** provider Aetna Health Inc.

Copfer filed a complaint Jan. 8, 2007 against Blasko and Aetna in the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas. The plaintiff said Blasko's negligent driving caused the motor-vehicle collision. Aetna's subrogation interests required it be a necessary party to the action. Copfer sought judgment for physical injuries that included a fractured left navicular bone, rupture of left peroneal longus tendon, aggravation of pre-existing degenerative left foot and neck conditions, left leg contusion, sprains and strains, anxiety, \$9,313.41 past medical expenses, and future medical expenses yet to be determined.

Blasko contested the extent of the plaintiff's medical expenses given Copfer's pre-existing degenerative diseases.

The plaintiff's final settlement demand was \$41,250. The defendant's final offer was \$16,000.

A jury convened before Judge James D. Sweeney returned a verdict Dec. 18, 2007 in favor of the plaintiff in the amount of \$15,000.

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