

WEST'S JURY VERDICTS - ILLINOIS REPORTS

Defense Verdict in St. Charles Fender Bender

Circuit Court of Illinois, Sixteenth Judicial Circuit, Kane County.

**Davis v. Radensleben**

**Type of Case:**

Vehicle Negligence • Motor Vehicle v. Motor Vehicle  
Vehicle Negligence • Passenger  
Vehicle Negligence • **Truck**  
Vehicle Negligence • Inattention  
Vehicle Negligence • Excessive Speed  
Vehicle Negligence • Rear-End

**Specific Liability:** Motorist drove too fast and failed to slow down in time to avoid causing a rear-end collision and damages to passenger in another vehicle

**General Injury:** Unspecified personal injuries

**Jurisdiction:**

State: Illinois  
County: Kane

**Related Court Documents:**

[Plaintiff's complaint: 2004 WL 5518138](#)

[Defendant's answer: 2004 WL 5518137](#)

Jury instructions: [2007 WL 4792213](#)

**Case Name:** Denise Davis v. Julie Radensleben

**Docket/File Number:** 04 LK 270

**Verdict:** Defendant, \$0

**Verdict Range:** \$0

**Verdict Date:** Dec. 12, 2007

**Judge:** [F. Keith Brown](#)

**Attorneys:**

Plaintiff: [David J. Heyer](#), Law Office of David J. Heyer, Chicago, Ill.

Defendant: Scott R. Ellefsen, Law Offices of O'Donnell, Murtaugh & Coghlan, Aurora, Ill.

**Trial Type:** Jury

**Experts:**

Plaintiff: None mentioned

Defendant: None mentioned

Unspecified: Kevin D. Rutz, MD, orthopedic surgeon, Orthopedic Specialists PC, St. Louis, Mo.

**Breakdown of Award:**

\$0

**Summary of Facts:**

Denise Davis was a passenger in a 1999 Ford F-150 pickup that was headed north on Riverside Avenue in St. Charles, Ill., in March 2003. Julie Radensleben drove a 2001 Saturn L200 behind Davis and eventually into the rear of the pickup.

Davis, claiming injuries, sued Radensleben in Kane County Circuit Court for allegedly failing to keep a proper lookout, driving faster than the posted speed limit and failing to reduce speed or change direction to avoid a collision.

The plaintiff asked the court for more than \$50,000 in damages to cover such things as medical care, pain and suffering and loss of a normal life.

In her response the defendant denied the collision or that she was negligent. She eventually admitted negligence but denied proximately causing the plaintiff's alleged damages.

Kane County jurors sided with the defendant Dec. 12, 2007. Judge F. Keith Brown entered judgment accordingly.

Court: Circuit Court of Illinois, Sixteenth Judicial Circuit, Kane County.

2007 WL 4924673 (Ill.Cir.)

END OF DOCUMENT