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Superior Court, Los Angeles County, California.

Sanchez vs. Hernandez

TOPIC:

Synopsis: Pedestrian struck as intersection light changes  
Case Type: Vehicle Negligence; Pedestrian; Vehicle Negligence; Crosswalk; Vehicle Negligence; Intersection

DOCKET NUMBER: BC367224

STATE: California  
COUNTY: Los Angeles

Verdict/Judgment Date: February 26, 2008

JUDGE: [Helen I. Bendix](#)

ATTORNEYS:

Plaintiff: [Joan M. Lauricella](#), Law Offices of Joan M. Lauricella, Sherman Oaks.  
Defendant: [Dennis E. O'Meara](#), Law Offices of Marsha Munemura, Glendale.

SUMMARY:

Verdict/Judgment: Plaintiff  
Verdict/Judgment Amount: \$4,504

Range: \$1-49,999

\$4,004 economic damages; \$500 non-economic damages reduced by 50 percent comparative liability.  
Trial Type: Jury  
Deliberations: Not reported.  
Jury Poll: Not reported.

EXPERTS:

Plaintiff: Not reported.  
Defendant: Not reported.

TEXT:

CASE INFORMATION  
FACTS/CONTENTIONS

According to court records: On June 28, 2006, plaintiff Olimpia Sanchez was a pedestrian and was struck by a 2002 Dodge Ram Truck owned by defendant Jorge E. Hernandez and driven by defendant Edgar Manuel Bonilla Orellana. The collision occurred near 60th Street and Vermont Avenue in Los Angeles at approximately 6:30 a.m.  
Plaintiff alleged she was walking within the crosswalk eastbound on 60th Street at the intersection of 60th and Vermont when she was struck by defendant's vehicle. Plaintiff said she entered the crosswalk legally and on a green light, but the light changed to yellow while she was in the crosswalk.  
Defendant contended the light for his direction of travel turned green and he proceeded to move forward. Defendant claimed plaintiff ran in front of his vehicle.  
Plaintiff and defendant each claimed the other was negligent and caused the collision. Defendant denied plaintiff was injured and disputed the nature and extent of her injuries.

CLAIMED INJURIES

According to court records:  
Not reported.

CLAIMED DAMAGES

According to court records:  
Not reported.

SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS

According to court records:  
Not reported.

COMMENTS

According to court records:  
The complaint was filed on March 2, 2007.  
The **insurance** carrier was Allstate **Insurance** .

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