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RECENT CASES OF NOTE

➢ 3.8 million dollar verdict: An Erie County jury awarded our client $3.8 million dollars for disabling back injuries she sustained when a weld on a Chinese manufactured piece of exercise equipment broke. We proved that the product was defective and this defect caused her injuries.

➢ 2.4 million dollar verdict: A jury ordered insurance companies for an Olean area doctor to compensate our client for her pain and suffering as a result of the doctor's negligence. We demonstrated that the doctor deviated from acceptable standards of medical care.

➢ $600,000.00 settlement after trial: After we proved that the State of New York was responsible for our client's motorcycle accident, the State paid this $600,000.00 settlement to our client for his severe leg fracture. We demonstrated that he lost control of his motorcycle because the State Department of Transportation had improperly filled and repaired cracks in the highway with crack-filling material.

TIPS OF THE MONTH:

- New Law Denies Health Insurers a Part of Your Settlement
  Recently, Governor Patterson signed into law a provision which prevents most health insurance companies from claiming an interest in — and getting paid out of — your lawsuit. This has been an area of concern for many years, and clients were often being sued by their insurance company for the repayment of medical expenses. This new law will allow most clients to keep more of their just rewards.

- Ask Your Insurance Agent about SUM Coverage
  Many clients are unaware of the fact that they may buy auto insurance to protect themselves in the event the person causing the accident does not have enough insurance coverage to fully compensate them. This is called SUM (or supplementary underinsured motorist coverage). It's an inexpensive way to protect you and your family. Call us if you have any questions.

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