
6/25/15 - Judge CHARLES V. HARRINGTON -CV 2013-5740 - VALENZUELA (James E. Abraham of Zanes Law) v VALENZUELA (Douglas W. Glasson of Curl & Glasson, P.L.C.) - PERSONAL INJURY - REAREND. Case being tried on Dfnt's appeal of Plntf's \$13,899.05 arbitration award, with a finding that Dfnt was ninety percent at fault. Plntf, male, was a passenger in a vehicle operated by nonparty Albrecht, travelling southbound on Arizona State Route 77, near milepost 84. Plntf alleged that, as non-party Albrecht stopped for a Department of Public Safety officer, who was in the roadway, stopping traffic, Plntf's vehicle was rear-ended by Dfnt. (NON-PARTY ALBRECHT SETTLED BEFORE TRIAL FOR AN UNDIS-CLOSED AMOUNT.) Dfnt, female, admitted some negligence, but argued comparative fault and causation. Plntf sustained unspecified injuries. Plntf called Michael E. Verant, D.C. Plntf used the videotape deposition of Grant D. Padley, D.O., an orthopod. Dfnt argued some of Plntf's complaints were unrelated. Dfnt called Jon T. Abbott, M.D., an orthopod; and Colin R. Bamford, M.D., a neurologist; both of whom performed independent medical examinations. Prayer: Just and reasonable compensatory damages; plus an unspecified amount for medical expenses. Dfnt made a \$6,000 pretrial offer of judgment. (Carrier: State Farm Insurance.) Three day trial. Jurv out one hour. AWARDED PLNTF \$14,500 COMPENSATORY DAMAGES. UNANIMOUSLY.

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