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arm injuries

brachial plexus injuries,
\$5.4 million V: 164
\$2.75 million S: 222
\$830,000 V*: 6
\$120,000 S*: 6
fractures,
\$3.85 million S*: 54
\$1 million S*: 271
\$250,000 S*: 271
\$50,000 S*: 271
\$25,000 S*: 271
hand,
finger,
amputation,
\$215,000 S: 307
thumb,
amputation,
\$4.46 million V*: 207
ligament tear,
\$150,000 V: 20

back injuries

\$1.5 million PVS*: 91
\$1.2 million S*: 124
\$999,500 V*: 21
arthritis, aggravated,
\$390,000 V: 171
disk,
bulging,
\$874,300 V: 256
\$80,000 S*: 273
cervical,
bulges,
\$950,000 S*: 172
rupture,
\$1 million S: 149
herniated,
\$2.5 million V*: 94
\$1.5 million S: 293
\$1.4 million V*: 342
\$1.2 million V: 133
\$950,000 S*: 172
\$623,000 V: 313
\$325,000 S: 112
\$315,000 S: 51
ligaments,
strained,
\$2.98 million V: 98
meniscus,
torn,
\$80,000 S*: 273
vertebrae,
fracture,
\$1.4 million S*: 51

brain injuries

\$15.68 million V*: 236
\$6.54 million V*: 302
\$5.06 million V: 352
\$3.2 million V: 280
\$1 million S*: 221
anoxic brain damage,
\$1.25 million S*: 293
closed head injury,
\$4.4 million S*: 265
\$2.75 million S*: 5
\$1.75 million S*: 185
\$1.25 million S*: 293

coma,
\$1.2 million S*: 293
concussion,
\$6 million V: 98

\$2.5 million V*: 94
\$830,000 V*: 6
\$120,000 S*: 6
hematoma,
epidermal,
\$1 million S*: 344
multiple,
\$900,000 SS*: 330

post-concussion syndrome,
\$1 million S: 99
traumatic brain injury,
\$24.88 million V: 93
\$11.76 million V: 348
\$8 million V: 237
\$6.69 million V*: 76
\$6.4 million S: 237
\$3.85 million S*: 54
\$3 million SS: 129
\$2.6 million S: 27
\$1.25 million S: 186
\$900,000 SS*: 330

burns

arm,
\$1.07 million S: 351
body,
\$8.95 million S: 99
\$7 million S: 62
\$4.5 million SS: 63
\$1.1 million S*: 314
\$1.08 million V*: 43
lung,
\$750,000 V: 273
second-degree,
50% of body,
\$13.73 million S: 206
\$770,000 S: 136
25% of body,
\$1.18 million S: 208
14% of body,
\$807,000 V: 235
third-degree,
50% of body,
\$13.73 million S: 206
\$770,000 S: 136
25% of body,
\$1.18 million S: 208
14% of body,
\$807,000 V: 235
13% of body,
\$1.4 million V*: 306

cognitive defects

\$6 million V: 98
\$5 million SS*: 29
\$3.85 million S*: 54
\$1.45 million S*: 5

consortium, loss of

\$1.61 million V: 237
\$500,000 V: 98
\$300,000 V: 352
\$250,000 V: 113
\$250,000 V: 186
\$150,000 S: 123

\$52,500 V: 42
\$50,000 V: 78

dog bites

\$850,000 S: 93
\$250,400 J: 234
\$250,000 S: 129
\$150,000 S: 21
\$128,500 S: 58
\$42,900 J: 343

ear injuries

\$313,200 V*: 52
hearing loss,
\$5 million SS*: 29
\$313,200 V*: 52
ruptured membrane,
\$602,600 V: 42

eye injuries

\$300,000 S: 198

facial injuries

eyebrows,
scarring,
\$79,200 V: 269
fractures,
eye,
\$1 million S*: 271
\$250,000 S*: 271
\$50,000 S*: 271
\$25,000 S*: 271
nose,
\$516,200 V*: 150
\$200,000 V*: 62

jaw,

broken,
\$325,000 V: 339
lacerations,
\$1 million S*: 127
\$516,200 V*: 150
\$250,000 S: 129
\$150,000 S: 21

fractures

ankle,
\$2.77 million S*: 242
\$2.51 million V: 351
\$1 million S*: 271
\$650,000 S: 220
\$250,000 S*: 271
\$97,000 V: 198
\$80,000 S: 55
\$70,000 S: 159
\$60,000 S: 304
\$50,000 S*: 271

arm,

\$3.85 million S*: 54
\$1 million S*: 271
\$250,000 S*: 271
\$50,000 S*: 271
\$25,000 S*: 271

elbow,

\$840,000 S: 57

finger,

\$250,000 S: 4

heel,

\$1.45 million S*: 5

hip,

\$1.5 million S*: 78
\$1.45 million S*: 5

jaw,

\$1 million S*: 271
\$250,000 S*: 271
\$200,000 V*: 62

leg,

\$4.9 million S*: 243
\$4 million V*: 114
\$3.85 million S*: 54
\$2.39 million V*: 303
\$1.46 million V: 7
\$1.45 million S*: 5
\$625,000 S: 172
comminuted,
\$200,000 S: 308

multiple,

\$15.5 million V: 185
\$8.3 million V*: 90
\$6.69 million V*: 76
\$6.54 million V*: 302
\$5.7 million V: 186
\$5 million S*: 149
\$4.4 million S*: 265
\$3.36 million V: 113
\$2.75 million S*: 5
\$2.12 million V*: 100
\$1.25 million S: 77
\$1.2 million S*: 293
\$1.13 million S*: 149
\$1.06 million V: 150
\$1 million V: 78
\$1 million S*: 127
\$950,000 S*: 172

pelvis,

\$1.4 million S*: 51
\$1.13 million S*: 149

ribs,

\$3.85 million S*: 54
\$830,000 V*: 6
\$120,000 S*: 6

shoulder,

\$2.15 million V*: 184
\$750,000 V: 200

skull,

\$15.68 million V*: 236
\$8.3 million V*: 90
\$6.69 million V*: 76
\$2.5 million S: 237
\$1 million S*: 221
\$1 million S*: 344
\$900,000 SS*: 330
\$750,000 S*: 331

spine,

at C-2,
\$2.15 million S*: 330
at L1,
\$2.25 million S: 352
at L2-4
\$1.13 million S*: 149

wrist,

\$625,000 S: 172
\$200,000 V*: 62

head injuries

\$5 million SS*: 29
\$1 million V*: 241
\$200,000 V: 116

hip injuries	\$1.5 million V: 61	\$2.3 million S: 279	\$275,000 V: 227
crushed socket	knee cap,	muscle damage,	\$209,300 V: 263
\$5 million S*: 149	\$1 million S*: 28	\$4 million V*: 114	\$100,000 S*: 16
dislocation	meniscus, tear,	nerve damage,	\$81,000 V: 241
\$1.4 million S*: 51	\$2.55 million V: 64	\$1.4 million V*: 342	posttraumatic stress disorder,
internal injuries	leg injuries	neck injuries	\$3.2 million V: 349
\$3.85 million S*: 54	\$2.12 million V*: 100	\$999,500 V*: 21	\$1.5 million S*: 315
\$200,000 V*: 62	amputation,	paralyzing injuries	\$1 million V*: 241
bladder,	\$375,000 S: 204	foot drop,	\$1 million S*: 329
neurogenic,	surgical,	\$2.15 million S*: 330	\$301,300 V*: 125
\$9.81 million V: 201	\$4 million S: 292	paraplegia,	\$200,000 V: 168
colon,	\$2.77 million S*: 242	\$1.5 million S: 278	\$193,000 AA*: 329
ruptured,	\$2.75 million S*: 5	incomplete,	reputation, injury to
\$2.39 million V*: 303	\$1.75 million S: 41	\$4.54 million V*: 294	\$305,000 V*: 47
duodenum,	ankle,	quadruparesis,	\$100,000 S*: 16
torn,	expelled talus bone,	spastic,	respiratory injuries
\$1.4 million V: 123	\$5 million S*: 149	\$24.88 million V: 93	\$556,300 V: 20
kidney,	reflex sympathetic	quadriplegia,	shoulder injuries
contusions,	dystrophy,	\$17.68 million V: 230	\$1.5 million PVS*: 91
\$1.75 million S*: 185	\$277,500 S: 201	\$6.8 million S: 167	\$1 million S: 234
liver,	contusions,	\$3.85 million S*: 54	\$1 million S*: 329
laceration,	\$516,200 V*: 150	\$2.3 million S: 306	\$193,000 AA*: 329
\$1.45 million S*: 5	crush injuries,	right arm paralysis,	impingement syndrome,
\$1.25 million S*: 293	\$1.4 million S*: 51	\$2.15 million S*: 330	\$1.5 million S*: 78
lung,	degloving,	psychological injuries	rotator cuff, torn,
burns,	\$4.9 million S*: 243	\$1.88 million S: 171	\$2.15 million V*: 184
\$750,000 V: 273	\$4 million V*: 114	\$250,000 S: 133	\$140,000 V: 159
collapsed,	\$1.4 million S*: 51	depression,	separated shoulder,
\$6.69 million V*: 76	foot,	\$500,000 V: 205	\$1.1 million S*: 314
contusions,	\$16.07 million V: 353	emotional distress,	spinal injuries
\$1.75 million S*: 185	\$1.5 million S*: 315	\$7.5 million V: 262	<i>see also fractures</i>
\$1.2 million S*: 293	\$1 million S*: 271	\$1.88 million S: 171	Brown-Sequard Syndrome,
punctured,	\$250,000 S*: 271	\$1.5 million S: 277	\$4.54 million V*: 294
\$2.12 million V*: 100	\$50,000 S*: 271	\$1.3 million V: 155	cord injuries,
spleen,	\$25,000 S*: 271	\$1.2 million S*: 124	\$900,000 SS*: 330
removal,	fracture,	\$1.08 million V*: 43	compression,
\$1.25 million S*: 293	\$4.9 million S*: 243	\$1.03 million V: 155	\$2 million S*: 329
knee injuries	\$4 million V*: 114	\$892,500 S: 133	\$464,000 AA*: 329
\$1 million S*: 329	\$3.85 million S*: 54	\$700,000 S: 26	degenerative,
\$500,000 S: 22	\$2.39 million V*: 303	\$500,000 V: 205	\$1.1 million S: 194
\$193,000 AA*: 329	\$1.46 million V: 7	\$305,000 V*: 47	trauma,
fractures,	\$1.45 million S*: 5	\$301,300 V*: 125	\$6.97 million V: 257
\$5 million S*: 149	\$625,000 S: 172		
	heel, shattered,		

Wrongful Death Awards

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Men

\$30 million V, 48-year-old, survived by parents: 52
\$20 million V, 20-year-old student, survived by parents, adult brother, and adult stepbrother: 61
\$17.5 million V, 23-year-old army lieutenant, survived by parents: 221
\$5 million S, 36-year-old lineman earning about \$62,000 annually, survived by infant daughter: 97
\$3.5 million SS, 45-year-old taxi driver earning about \$7,500 annually, survived by wife and four minor children: 114
\$3.5 million J, 39-year-old operator/helper on sand molding machine, survived by father, wife, and two minor children: 315
\$3.02 million V, 18-year-old student, survived by parents, adult brother and sister, and minor sister: 164
\$3 million V, 20-year-old student, survived by parents, one minor sibling, and one adult sibling: 98
\$3 million V, 35-year-old graphic designer earning \$20,000 annually, survived by parents: 242
\$3 million S, 29-year-old, survived by wife, parents, and three brothers: 259
\$2.75 million V, 19-year-old part-time laborer earning about \$20,000 annually, survived by parents and adult brother: 77
\$2.73 million S, 39-year-old insurance broker earning about \$80,000 annually, survived by wife and two minor children: 87
\$2.65 million V, 58-year-old psychiatrist earning about \$100,000 annually, survived by wife: 337
\$1.95 million S, 33-year-old part-time student and grocery store worker, survived by minor child: 234
\$1.5 million S, 33-year-old bus driver earning about \$500 weekly, survived by three minor children and one adult child: 113
\$1.37 million S, 63-year-old retiree, survived by wife: 41
\$1.25 million S, 23-year-old army lieutenant, survived by parents: 221
\$1.1 million S, 40-year-old driver earning about \$30,000 annually, survived by mother and two daughters: 316
\$950,000 S, 39-year-old oil rig worker earning about \$64,700 annually, survived by parents and three adult siblings: 279
\$453,000 V, 24-year-old securities expert, survived by parents and two sisters: 126
\$437,500 S, 61-year-old attorney and investor earning \$250,000 annually, survived by wife, four adult children, and one minor child: 186

\$375,000 V, 35-year-old convenience store chain owner earning about \$50,000 annually, survived by wife and minor son: 79

Women

\$17 million V, 40-year-old milk plant worker, survived by husband and adult son: 28
\$8 million AA, 19-year-old student, survived by parents: 115
\$3 million V, 25-year-old, survived by father and posthumously adopted son: 91
\$2.23 million PVS, 42-year-old department store executive earning about \$57,200 annually, survived by husband: 160
\$1.25 million S, 87-year-old, survived by two adult sons: 257
\$1.04 million S, 23-year-old naval officer, survived by parents and four siblings: 281
\$1 million S, 49-year-old store manager earning about \$35,000 annually, survived by husband, two minor children, and three adult children: 23
\$1 million S, 32-year-old company vice president earning about \$33,800 annually, survived by parents and brother: 77
\$85,000 S, 20-year-old student and dental assistant, survived by mother, father, stepfather, brother, and sister: 19

Children

\$15 million V, 17-year-old boy, survived by parents and two minor siblings: 150
\$6.64 million V and \$4 million S, 8-year-old boy, survived by parents and two minor brothers: 127
\$9.3 million V, 16-year-old boy: 196
\$6.5 million V, 11-year-old boy, survived by parents and one minor stepbrother: 237
\$2 million V, 15-year-old girl, survived by parents and three minor siblings: 42
\$2 million S, 12-year-old girl, survived by parents and two minor siblings: 205
\$1.5 million SS, 5-year-old boy, survived by mother: 330

Multiple Victims

\$6.5 million S, 72-year-old and 73-year-old retirees, both survived by one adult daughter: 257
\$5.25 million V, 14-year-old, 11-year-old, and 11-year-old, all survived by their mother, stepfather, and grandparents: 63
\$5.1 million PVS, 12-year-old boy, survived by parents; 12-year-old boy survived by mother, father, and two half-siblings: 25
\$1.75 million S, 66-year-old retiree, survived by six adult children; 59-year-old retiree, survived by five adult children: 185