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Nov. 8, 2006

**Headline:** Jury Awards $3 Million To New Jersey Man Injured In ***Accident*** With Phantom ***Car***

**Result:** $3 million plaintiff verdict

**Injury:** Half of pinky amputated; head and facial injuries

**Court:** N.J. Super., Middlesex Co.

**Judge:** Phillip Paley

**Plaintiff Profile**

Allen Williams

**Defendant Profile**

State Farm Insurance Co

**Plaintiff Counsel**

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**Defendant Counsel**

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**Case Summary**

**Claim:** Breach of contract

**Background:** Sources told Mealey Publications that on June 30, 2000, Allen Williams claimed that as he was driving in the right lane of Route 287 in Piscataway approaching Route 1, he was cut off by an unidentified driver, forcing him to veer to his right toward the grassy median and then flip on his roof as he attempted to turn back and avoid hitting the median.As a result of the ***accident***, sources said, Williams had half of his left pinky amputated as well as suffering head and facial injuries, including a 9-inch scar on his head and forehead.Williams sued auto insurance company State Farm Insurance Co. on Feb. 15, 2005, in the Middlesex County, N.J., Superior Court.

**Other:** Sources said the defense moved for a new trial on Oct. 18, 2006.The trial lasted three days, and the jury deliberated two hours, sources said.

**Defense:** Allegations denied; there was no unidentified driver.

**Plaintiff Expert(s)**

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