# [***Muhammed Shafique v. Gargaram Ragi; 2007 Mealey's Jury Verdicts & Settlements 3724***](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=jury-verdicts-settlements&id=urn:contentItem:4PKP-VWJ0-0223-Y1HC-00000-00&context=)

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**Headline:** New Jersey Man Severely Injured In Auto ***Accident*** Settles In State Court For $350,000

**Result:** $350,000 settlement

**Injury:** Left shoulder and lower back injuries, head trauma, which resulted in cognitive disabilities including lack of short-term memory, organizational skills and lack of focus

**Court:** N.J. Super., Bergen Co.

**Plaintiff Profile**

Muhammed Shafique

**Defendant Profile**

Gargaram Ragi

**Plaintiff Counsel**

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**Defendant Counsel**

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**Case Summary**

**Claim:** Auto negligence

**Background:** Sources told Mealey Publications that on Sept. 12, 2003, around 6: 30 a.m., Muhammed Shafique was driving his ***car*** south on Union Avenue in Upper Saddle River, N.J., when a ***car*** driven by Gargaram Ragi was going west on Pleasant Avenue and ignored a stop sign. Ragi, blindsided Shafique and sent his ***car*** into a tree, sources said.Shafique suffered injuries to his left shoulder and lower back, sources said, as well his head, where he suffered mild traumatic brain injury. Sources said Shafique has short-term memory loss, organizational skills problems and lack of focus but has been able to return to his job as a representative of a wireless company.Shafique sued Ragi on May 2, 2005, in the Bergen County, N.J., Superior Court.

**Other:** Sources said the case was mediated before Harold Braff.There were no offers of settlement, and the case did not go to arbitration, sources said.Chubb Group of Insurance Cos. was Ragi's insurance provider and will pay part of the settlement, sources said.

**Defense:** Allegations denied.

**Plaintiff Expert(s)**

None called

**Defendant Expert(s)**

None called

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