# [***Ronye Leder v. Kumi Sarpong, et al; 2006 Mealey's Jury Verdicts & Settlements 946***](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=jury-verdicts-settlements&id=urn:contentItem:4M6G-XFJ0-0223-Y1F2-00000-00&context=)

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**Headline:** $445,000 Settlement For New Jersey Woman Injured In Multivehicle ***Accident***

**Result:** $445,000 settlement

**Court:** N.J. Super., Mercer Co.

**Judge:** Paul Innes

**Plaintiff Profile**

Ronye Leder

**Defendant Profile**

Kumi Sarpong, Ammie Cruz, Anthony Fresca, Pomponio Trucking, Jackson Trucking

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**Case Summary**

**Claim:** Auto negligence

**Background:** Sources told Mealey Publications that on June 24, 1999, Ronye Leder, of East Windsor, was injured in a multivehicle ***accident*** on Route 130 in South Brunswick, N.J. Leder was injured when her ***car*** was cut off by an unidentified sport utility vehicle as Leder approached the scene of an ***accident*** and hit the rear wheel of the truck driven and was sitting on the shoulder of the road, sources said. Leder's ***car*** ricocheted across traffic, where it was struck by a ***car*** driven by Ammie Cruz, sources said. Sources said Anthony Fresca, driving a truck owned by Pomponio Trucking, had hit a van driven by Kumi Sarpong and owned by Jackson Trucking while making an illegal U-turn and causing the chain-reaction ***accident***.Sources said Leder suffered a fractured right hip and later had her right knee replaced. Both have caused her to walk with a limp, sources said. Leder also fractured her left thumb and had minor dental problems along with facial lacerations, sources said. Leder sued Sarpong, Cruz, Fresca, Pomponio Trucking and Jackson Trucking on Jan. 23, 2001, in the Mercer County, N.J., Superior Court.

**Other:** Sources said the jury deliberated for about an hour and found Cruz not liable. Sources said Leder settled with Fresca and Pomponio during the trial.Sources said Leder settled with Fresca and Pomponio for $300,000 and with Sarpong and Jackson Trucking for $45,000. Leder also received the policy limit of $100,000 for uninsured motorist coverage involving the unidentified SUV, sources said. The plaintiff moved for a new trial on Sept. 29, 2006, on the basis of continuing liability against those involved in the ***accident***, sources said.Sources said the trial ran Sept. 13 to 20.

**Defense:** Allegations denied.

**Plaintiff Expert(s)**

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