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DEFENSE VERDICT MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT



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Attorney Craig Pelini obtained a defense verdict in a motor vehicle accident trial in Tuscarawas County. The accident was a chain-reaction rear-end accident that involved three motor vehicles. The Plaintiff was in the first vehicle and was waiting to make a left-hand turn when he was rear-ended by a semi-tractor trailer, which was then rear-ended by a third semi-tractor trailer.

Plaintiff alleged injuries to his neck including a cervical disc injury which required surgery to repair. Additionally, Plaintiff claimed that he was forced to retire early from the U.S. Army Reserves due to the injuries sustained in the accident. Plaintiff incurred about \$90,000 in medical specials. Plaintiff claimed over \$1,000,000 in lost wages from his early retirement with the Army Reserves.

The Plaintiff settled his claim with the driver of the middle semi-tractor trailer for \$1.75 Million. He sought further claims against the driver of the third semi-tractor, which Plaintiff alleges "pushed" the middle semi-tractor trailer into Plaintiff's vehicle. The case went to trial on these claims.

The jury heard the case over four days of trial in Tuscarawas County. The Plaintiff asked the jury to award \$30 Million in damages. The jury ultimately returned a defense verdict for the driver and company of the third semi-tractor trailer. The jury found that this Defendant did not proximately cause any of the injuries to Plaintiff.