

Garrett Obtains Defense Verdict in Multi-Vehicle Accident

R. Brett Garrett obtained a defense verdict in the Circuit Court of Lee County Alabama on behalf of his client in a complicated, multi-vehicle automobile accident that occurred in Auburn, Alabama. The case involved a high speed collision that occurred at the intersection of North College Street and Shug Jordan Parkway. Mr. Garrett's client collided with a vehicle being driven by another driver in the intersection who subsequently veered off and stuck a stationary vehicle driven by Plaintiff.

Plaintiff sued Mr. Garrett's client and the other involved driver alleging that they acted negligently and wantonly in causing the accident. Plaintiff alleged that both drivers were liable under a theory of combining and concurring negligence. As Plaintiff was not involved in the precipitating accident, Mr. Garrett did not contend that Plaintiff was contributorily negligent. Plaintiff claimed substantial bodily injury requiring surgical treatment. She called her treating surgeon as a witness at trial who offered his medical opinion that Plaintiff's injuries were directly caused by the subject accident and, further, that surgery was necessary for treatment of her injuries. Plaintiff claimed the cost and expense of future surgery as part of her damages at trial.

The case tried before Hon. Jacob Walker, III. After a three day trial, the jury returned a verdict in favor of Mr. Garrett's client.