

## MOTOR VEHICLE

PALM BEACH CIRCUIT COURT

### **Woman awarded \$190,000 for neck injury in crash**

A jury awarded \$190,100 to a woman who injured her neck in a rear-end collision.

In 2006, Lisa Hernandez, then 33, was stopped at a red light when she was struck by Arquimides Paredes. She was diagnosed with a cervical herniation and underwent physical therapy. She returned for more physical therapy around twice a year, as needed, to treat pain flare-ups.

Defense counsel argued Hernandez received all the treatment she needed and she had been shown exercises to perform at home. The defense argued Hernandez would not incur future medical expenses. The jury awarded Hernandez for her past and future medical expenses, and past and future pain and suffering.

**Case:** Hernandez v. Paredes

**Case No.:** 502009CA043821XXXXMB

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