

1/21 Jury awards \$338,000 to woman hurt in crash

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MILFORD — A Superior Court jury recently awarded an Ansonia woman more than \$300,000 for injuries she sustained in a car crash three years ago.

The six-member jury on Dec. 28 awarded Caterina Razowski of Catalina Drive \$338,000. Interest could drive that sum to \$507,000, said her lawyer, Harold Rosnick of Bridgeport.

"Now Caterina can have the much-needed neck surgery that she has had to delay [while] waiting for the case to go to trial," Rosnick said.

The 49-year-old mother of three was severely injured when her car was rear-ended by a pickup truck driven by Roger Daigle, of Providence Avenue in Shelton, on Aug. 28, 1997.

Rosnick said his client, who works as a dental assistant in Trumbull, was waiting at a traffic light on Division Street in Ansonia when Daigle's truck plowed into her 1989 Plymouth Voyager.

She suffered injuries to her neck, back and right knee in the crash, resulting in permanent partial disabilities, he said.

"As a result she has given up most physical recreational activities," he said.

A judge later ruled in favor of Razowski's lawsuit against Daigle after he failed to present a defense. A jury was convened last week to decide damages.

Daigle could not be reached for comment.

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