

PI E-MAIL & FAX ALERT

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Lewkovich –Dr. how do you really know your patient is injured?

1. Few things in life are 100% certain. I am trained to make decisions based on *reasonable medical certainty*.
2. Vast majority of patients are honest. A very small % misrepresent.
3. To rule out misrepresentation I use malingering tests to objectively measure the extent of injuries.
4. I question the mechanics of the collision--to see if the injuries fit medically.



5. In the exam I look for the best indicator of patient honesty---consistency.
6. I mark the area where the patient complains of pain and ask his pain scale. Minutes later I repeat the exam. An injured patient would easily replicate the exact complaints.

Monthly PI Teleconference:

Wednesday, Oct. 27 @ 1:00 PM Sharp!

Our guest: Judge William Sheffield

What is that case worth?

Exactly how do PI judges evaluate PI cases?

What do they generally think of DC claims?

What do they like and not like?

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William Thomas, DC---Doctor of the Month --\$101,747 verdict

Next time you see a cement truck veering out of control in front of you ---try avoiding him. Marciano Meda smashed into the cement truck which just rammed the freeway divider ahead of him, southbound on the 57 in Anaheim. The impact fractured two ribs plus a host of musculoskeletal problems.

Meda was taken to the UCI Med Center from accident. Meda treated by William Thomas, DC of La Mirada [drt@drtchiro.com]. Dr. found the rib injuries extremely tender –and used activator. Treatment took several months to reduce the inflammation. Quite unusual is that Dr. Thomas found a “loose” cartilage with rib # 2 which was and is a constant source of irritation. As a construction worker Meda lost time from work.



Meda was credible because he did not overplay his injuries. Meda admitted he made good recoveries...but for the rib cartilage. Dr. Thomas testified for over six hours! He was paid in full.

Meda v. Johnson 07CC07650 Orange Co Superior Court, Judge Kirk Nakamura.