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## VERDICTS & SETTLEMENTS

# Plaintiff missed promotion due to injuries from crash

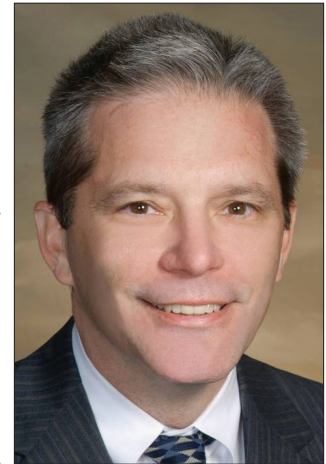
### \$500,000 Settlement

The plaintiff was driving a vehicle on I-95 in Prince William County in route to a business meeting when she was struck by the defendant. The collision resulted in moderate damage to both vehicles. The plaintiff was initially treated at a local hospital with only minor complaints. Upon returning to Richmond, the plaintiff was treated by a physician and received a short course of physical therapy. When the plaintiff's cervical symptoms did not resolve after three months, she was seen by an orthopedic surgeon, who diagnosed her with a C5-6 disc herni-

ation. The plaintiff ultimately underwent an anterior discectomy and fusion.

The plaintiff was prepared to offer testimony at trial that she missed out on a job promotion at work because of the time missed after the collision and surgery. The case settled at mediation.

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**Type of action:** Personal injury – auto accident

**Injuries alleged:** C5-6 disc herniation, thoracic strain, lumbar strain

**Court:** Richmond Circuit Court

**Resolved by:** Mediation

**Mediator:** Michael C. Allen

**Verdict or settlement:** Settlement

**Amount:** \$500,000

**Attorney for plaintiff:** David E. Durrett, Richmond