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LIFE ACTIVITY CALENDAR SUBSTANTIATES \$250,000 SETTLEMENT WHEN GRANDMOTHER HITS TRACTOR/TRAILER

LIFE ACTIVITY CALENDAR substantiates a \$250,000 settlement for 50 year old Grandmother who struck a tractor/trailer.

Bristol, Virginia: Robert W. Johnson & Associates was asked to prepare a LIFE ACTIVITY CALENDAR to graphically illustrate the drastic change in Norma Faye Anderson's daily activities and in her relationship with her family, due to the injuries sustained when her automobile struck a tractor/trailer.

Citation: *Anderson vs. Cannon, et al.; Washington County; Circuit Court of Washington County, No CL91-150; Attorney James E. Arrington, Jr, Bristol, Virginia.*

Case Synopsis: On March 18, 1991, Norma Faye Anderson, plaintiff, was traveling north on a four lane highway. The defendant, who was operating a tractor/trailer, entered the road from a parking lot, blocking both north bound lanes of travel. The Plaintiff struck the tractor / trailer. Mrs. Anderson was hospitalized for one month with significant injuries including compound fractures of her right leg. After being released from the hospital, she was sent to a nursing home where she remained for an additional month. Special damages totaled less than \$55,000.

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Through the use of the LIFE ACTIVITY CALENDAR Checklist, Mrs. Anderson was able to clearly catalog the many activities she had once enjoyed. The Calendar dramatically demonstrated how, before the injury, Mrs. Anderson wore high heels, read to and played with her grandchildren, visited her parents and her friends, and had uninterrupted sleep. She had enjoyed doing at least one or more of these activities every day of the week, all year long. During this most current year (three years since Mrs. Anderson sustained the injuries) the Calendar showed one or more of these activities was now only enjoyed once a week (compared to 7 days a week before the incident).

Attorney Comments: "The LIFE ACTIVITY CALENDAR dramatically demonstrated the effects of the tremendous loss upon Mrs. Anderson and her family. The LIFE ACTIVITY CALENDAR was presented during trial, and was immediately followed by the accepted settlement offer."

Results: Defense did not make a pretrial offer to settle the case. A settlement of \$250,000.00 was accepted on the third day of plaintiff's presentation of evidence.

About Robert W. Johnson & Associates: A nationally recognized full service consulting firm that specializes in illustrating and quantifying non-economic damages. Consulting services include: quantifying the loss of enjoyment of life (pain and suffering) in a personal injury case, quantifying the loss of love, care, comfort, society, consortium, etc. to the survivors in a wrongful death case, illustrating, with the LIFE ACTIVITY CALENDAR, the loss of enjoyment/ quality of life; analyzing structured settlements, and generating wage loss reports that include the present value of future medical expenses.

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