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\$1.2M for Pedestrian's Injuries

Phillips v. Dong: An Essex County judge on Jan. 6 approved a \$1.2 million settlement for a teenage pedestrian whose pelvis was crushed when a car struck her while she was crossing a street.

The accident occurred on Park Street in Montclair on Jan. 10, 2005. Lucy Phillips fractured her sacrum and femur, suffered a degloving of her right thigh and underwent lumbar fusion, placement of a plate and screws in her leg and attachment of an external fixator to stabilize her pelvis, says her lawyer, **John Voynick Jr.** of Cedar Grove's **Renda & Voynick**.

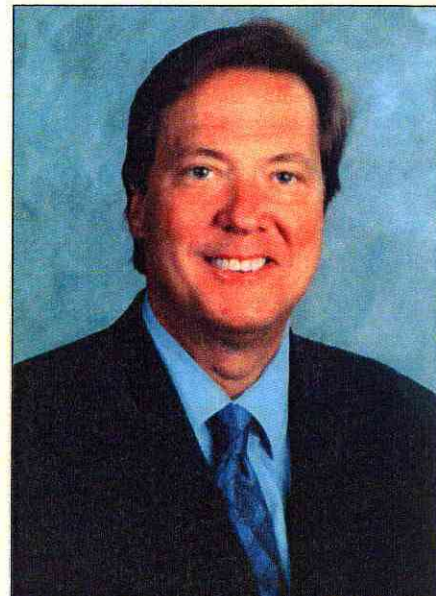
Now 14, she limps and faces the

possibility of back problems and impaired fertility, Voynick says.

Under the settlement approved by Superior Court Judge **Walter Koprowski Jr.**, Phillips' father will receive \$47,018 for medical expenses. The rest will fund a structure.

Hanover New Jersey Insurance Co., the insurer for the car's driver, Archer Dong of Bloomfield, will pay his full \$250,000 coverage. The other \$950,000 will come from the Phillips' \$1 million Chubb Insurance homeowner's policy.

Hanover's attorney, **Fred Ira Eckhaus** of **Craig Terkowitz's** firm in Piscataway, confirms the settlement.



John Voynick won \$1.2 million for a teenage pedestrian whose pelvis was crushed when a car struck her as she crossed a street.

Chubb's lawyer, **Michael Schwartz** of **Judith Heim's** office in Florham Park, did not return a call for comment.

— *By Mary P. Gallagher*