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## 73-year-old suffers neck, shoulder injuries in crash

### \$62,000 Verdict

On Aug. 22, 2008, the plaintiff was operating a motor vehicle stopped at a yield sign in the Peterburg when he was struck in the rear by the defendant. The vehicle sustained moderate property damage. Plaintiff, who was 73 years old at the time of the collision, was transported by an ambulance to Southside Regional Medical Center, where he was treated for injuries to his neck and left shoulder and complained of a headache.

After being discharged from the emergency room, the plaintiff under-



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went a short course of physical therapy with his primary care physician. The plaintiff completed all treatment by Oct. 3, 2008. The plaintiff was seen by his primary care physician on one subsequent occasion in March 2009, with a complaint of neck stiffness.

Plaintiff missed one week from work. The majority of the plaintiff's special damages were incurred at the emergency room. [10-T-097]

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

**Injuries alleged:** Neck pain, shoulder pain and headaches

**Name of case:** Street v. Thompson

**Court:** Petersburg Circuit Court

**Special damages:** \$10,169.06

**Verdict or Settlement:** Verdict

**Amount:** \$62,000

**Date:** March 29, 2010

**Demand:** Jury trial with high/low

agreement of \$20,000/\$50,000

**Highest offer:** \$15,000

**Insurance company:** Allstate

**Plaintiffs' attorney:** David E.

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