



RICHARD J. SCHNEIDER, ESQ. CASES
Notable Settlements/Mediations
(5 years running)

Case Name: *Confidential*
Mediator: EEOC
Insured/Client: Confidential

Case Type: Employment – Gender/Race/Age discrimination. Settlement in exchange for immediate resignation.
Opposing Counsel: L. Marcel Lewis.
Settlement Amount: \$140K.

Case Name: *Confidential*
Mediator: Andrew S. Albert
Insured/Client: Confidential

Case Type: Transportation – Paraplegia.
Opposing Counsel: Panish Shea & Boyle.
Settlement Amount: Confidential.

Case Name: *Chili v. California State University*
Mediator: Kenneth D. Gack, Esq.
Insured/Client: CSU (San Francisco)

Case Type: Education – Paraplegia/TBI/Hemiparesis.
Opposing Counsel: Dolan Law Firm.
Settlement Amount: \$3M.

Case Name: *Estate of Morgan v. Toyota Motor Corp., et al.*
Mediator: Charlie F. Hawkins
Insured/Client: Monterey-Salinas Transit District

Case Type: Product Liability/Transportation
Opposing Counsel: The Brandi Law Firm
Settlement Amount: Confidential as to Toyota, unsuccessful as to Monterey-Salinas Transit. Trial set for November 19, 2018.

Case Name: *Johnson v. City of Pomona*
Mediator: Janet Fields
Insured/Client: City of Pomona

Case Type: Dangerous Condition – TBI.
Opposing Counsel: Panish Shea & Boyle.
Settlement Amount: \$960K.

Case Name: *Pineda v. County of Riverside*
Mediator: Troy Roe
Insured/Client: County of Riverside

Case Type: Dangerous Condition – two deaths, two serious bodily injury/bystander claims.
Opposing Counsel: Layfield & Barrett.
Settlement Amount: \$3.5M.

Case Name: *Morales v. City of Newport Beach*
Mediator: Troy Roe
Insured/Client: City of Newport Beach

Case Type: Dangerous Condition – school cross-walk. TBI.
Opposing Counsel: Aitken, Aitken, Cohn.
Settlement Amount: \$1.5M.

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Case Name: *Soriano v. County of Riverside*
Mediator: Mag. Judge Victor E. Bianchini
Insured/Client: County of Riverside

Case Type: Police Practices – § 1983 deliberate indifference. Inmate beaten into persistent vegetative state.
Opposing Counsel: Trujillo & Trujillo.
Settlement Amount: \$6M.

Case Name: *Cabrera v. City of Newport Beach*
Mediator: Andrew S. Albert
Insured/Client: City of Newport Beach

Case Type: Dangerous Condition – five occupants killed in single vehicle collision with median improvements. \$525K global settlement of all resulting claims – \$450K from City and \$75K from remaining limits from permissive user’s policy.
Opposing Counsel: Girardi Keese.
Settlement Amount: \$525K.

Case Name: *Morgan v. City of Beaumont*
Mediator: David B. Moon
Insured/Client: City of Beaumont

Case Type: Police Practices – vehicular pursuit. Wrongful death.
Opposing Counsel: Law Offices of Kenneth H. Stone.
Settlement Amount: \$1M.

Case Name: *A.P. v. County of Riverside*
Mediator: Raul Ramirez
Insured/Client: County of Riverside

Case Type: Special Relationship – developmental delay injury to foster child under County placement.
Opposing Counsel: Norris & Galanter.
Settlement Amount: \$6.95M.

Case Name: *Parra v. Empire Transportation*
Mediator: Troy Roe
Insured/Client: Riverside Transit Authority

Case Type: Transportation – high school student disembarking school bus. TBI/hemiparesis.
Opposing Counsel: Ritter and Associates.
Settlement Amount: \$7.35M.

Case Name: *Howard v. County of Riverside*
Insured/Client: County of Riverside

Case Type: Police Practices – excessive force. TBI/Hemiparesis. Solely as the re-insurer’s negotiator Rick secured a pre-trial demand of \$4.5M, which was not accepted and the County proceeded to trial. Plaintiff obtained a verdict and an award of fees and costs of \$7.1M. Having then been given authority to negotiate on the County’s behalf Rick settled the matter directly with plaintiff’s counsel.
Opposing Counsel: Dale Galipo.
Settlement Amount: \$6.9M.

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Case Name: <i>O'Connor v. City of Newport Beach</i> Mediator: Troy Roe Insured/Client: City of Newport Beach	<u>Case Type</u> : Police Practices – deliberate indifference to medical needs. Quadriplegia. <u>Opposing Counsel</u> : Aitken, Aitken & Cohn. <u>Settlement Amount</u> : \$6M.
Case Name: <i>Chen v. Irvine Ranch Water District</i> Mediator: William Sheffield Insured/Client: Irvine Ranch Water District	<u>Case Type</u> : Dangerous condition. <u>Opposing Counsel</u> : Carpenter, Zuckerman & Rowley. <u>Settlement Amount</u> : \$175K.
Case Name: <i>Paxton v. Kent International</i> Mediator: Andrew S. Albert Insured/Client: Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., Kent International, Inc.	<u>Case Type</u> : Products Liability – bicycle accident. Plaintiff demanded \$1M at mediation. The matter proceeded to a defense verdict at trial. <u>Opposing Counsel</u> : Law Offices of Patrick B. Conkey.
Case Name: <i>Fernandez v. Calipatria USD</i> Mediator: David B. Moon Insured/Client: Calipatria USD	<u>Case Type</u> : School Liability. \$250K demand. \$50K Offer. Matter proceeded to a \$90K jury verdict. <u>Opposing Counsel</u> : The Ellis Firm.
Case Name: <i>Hernandez v. City of Beaumont</i> Mediator: Russell Bostrom Insured/Client: City of Beaumont	<u>Case Type</u> : Police Practices – excessive force. Bilateral blindness and 7 bystander claims. Officer criminally charged. Following 2 days of mediation negotiated settlement directly with plaintiffs' counsel for \$18.5M for all 8 plaintiffs. Third Party Complaint for products liability pending in the Central District vs. the manufacturing chain. <u>Opposing Counsel</u> : Dale Galipo; Vicki Sarmento; Milton Grimes.
Case Name: <i>Sanchez-Graves v. California State University</i> Mediator: Jeff Krivis Insured/Client: California State University (Northridge)	<u>Case Type</u> : Product Liability – third-degree burns. <u>Opposing Counsel</u> : Panish, Shea & Boyle. <u>Settlement Amount</u> : \$5.2M.

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Case Name: *M.H. v. County of Alameda*
Mediator: Raul A. Ramirez
Insured/Client: County of Alameda

Case Type: Police Practices – § 1983 deliberate indifference to medical needs. Death of jail house detainee.
Opposing Counsel: Law Offices of John L. Burris & Haddad & Sherwin.
Settlement Amount: \$1M.

Case Name: *Martinez v. Imperial Irrigation District*
Mediator: Andrew S. Albert
Insured/Client: Imperial Irrigation District

Case Type: Employment.
Opposing Counsel: Brad Hallen, Esq.
Settlement Amount: \$400K.

Case Name: *Acuna v. City of San Diego*
Insured/Client: City of San Diego

Case Type: Motor Vehicle – garbage truck v. 7 year old skateboarder. Catastrophic.
Opposing Counsel: Estey & Bomberger.
Settlement Amount: Following unsuccessful mediation Rick negotiated settlement directly with plaintiff's counsel for \$18.5M.

Case Name: *Munoz v. County of Riverside*
Insured/Client: County of Riverside

Case Type: Police Practices – excessive force. Wrongful death. Acting solely as the re-insurer's negotiator Rick secured a pre-trial demand of \$700K, which was not accepted and the County proceeded to trial. Plaintiff obtained a \$1M verdict, and filed a \$700K request for fees and costs. After being given authority for the County's remaining self-insured retention Rick directly settled the case for \$1.2M.
Opposing Counsel: Law Offices of Dale K. Galipo.
Settlement Amount: \$1.2M.

Case Name: *Chung v. City of Newport Beach*
Mediator: Troy Roe
Insured/Client: City of Newport Beach

Case Type: Dangerous Condition – Wrongful Death.
Opposing Counsel: Engstrom, Lipscomb & Lack.
Settlement Amount: \$1M.

Case Name: *Hicks v. County of Imperial*
Mediator: Michael J. Roberts
Insured/Client: County of Imperial

Case Type: Police Practices – excessive force.
Opposing Counsel: Plourd & Breeze.
Settlement Amount: \$60K.

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Case Name: *Wagner v. County of Riverside*
Mediator: Troy Roe
Insured/Client: County of Riverside

Case Type: Dangerous Condition – 1 wrongful death,
2 serious bodily injury.
Opposing Counsel: Panish Shea & Boyle.
Settlement Amount: \$4.75M.

Case Name: *Holland v. Antelope Valley Transit*
Mediator: Steve Cerveris
Insured/Client: Antelope Valley Transit Authority

Case Type: Employment – wrongful termination/
whistle blower retaliation. Settlement in exchange for
resignation.
Opposing Counsel: Rehwald, Glasner & Chaleff.
Settlement Amount: \$475K.

Case Name: *Boerman v. The Sacramento Public*
Library
Insured/Client: the Sacramento Public Library

Case Type: Employment –whistle blower retaliation.
Settlement in exchange for immediate retirement.
Opposing Counsel: Law Offices of Anthony J.
Poidmore.
Settlement Amount: \$343K.