

Memorandum

To: Claims Committee
From: Risk Management
Date: February 21, 2025
Re: Leigh Ashley v. Polk County Board of County Commissioners



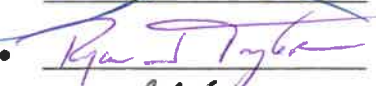


Claim Description: This claim stems from a motor vehicle accident which occurred on October 25, 2021. Our ambulance was traveling eastbound on Memorial Blvd. in Lakeland, near the intersection of Interlachen Pkwy., when the vehicle began to hydroplane. It crossed the center line resulting in a collision with the vehicle being driven by Ms. Leigh Ashley. This impact caused her to then collide with a UPS truck which was next to her in the westbound lanes.

Bodily Injury: Ms. Ashley reported injuries to her neck, back, chest, left thumb, left shoulder and abdomen. Her primary treatment was due to her neck and back injuries. An MRI revealed multiple herniated discs in her neck, mid and lower back. Her treatment has included medial branch blocks and radio frequency ablation procedures. Her medical charges related to her treatment are \$165,526.

Trial in this case is currently set for March 10, 2025.

Request: We are requesting \$150,000.00 to settle this claim. Ms. Ashley and her attorney Christopher Spath with Morgan & Morgan, agree to settle this claim in exchange for a full release.

SETTLEMENT REQUEST: \$150,000.00

-  Commissioner
-  County Attorney
-  Deputy County Manager
-  Director Risk Management
-  Clerk of Courts