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### Verdicts & Settlements

## Professional Negligence

### Assault

Injuries alleged:

Rape and assault

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Name of case:

Doe v. Patel

Court/case no.:

Monroe County Circuit Court, #94-2915  
NO

Name of judge:

Michael W. Labeau

Damages awarded:

\$377,627.93 (judgment); \$33,075.04 (interest)

Date:

May 7, 1998

Attorneys for the plaintiff:

E. Powell Miller and Gerard Mantese

Attorney for the defendant:

Withheld

Name/city of most helpful experts:

Gerald A. Shiener, M.D.

Other useful information:

The plaintiff contended that the defendant committed professional negligence by failing to order long-term hospitalization of an increasingly violent mental patient who had already assaulted two other children. The defendant's patient then attacked the plaintiff.

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