

Woman suffers food poisoning

\$1.13 million settlement

A 45-year-old woman contracted E. coli after eating salmon at a restaurant. She was hospitalized and subsequently developed hemolytic uremic syndrome requiring plasmapheresis. She later suffered renal failure due to fluid overload, which required hemodialysis treatment.

The plaintiff was discharged after 20 days and returned to work full time shortly thereafter. However, she continued to suffer gastrointestinal problems.

The plaintiff's expert nephrologist concluded that she is at greater risk of renal failure as she ages. An expert epidemiologist opined that the plaintiff contracted E. coli poisoning from the salmon dinner.

The plaintiff's claims against the restaurant were settled at pre-suit mediation for \$1 million. The claims against the suppliers of the fish to the restaurant settled for an additional \$130,000.

Action: Negligence & tort

Injuries alleged: Food poisoning

Case name: Withheld

Court/case no.: Withheld

Jury and/or judge: N/A (mediated)

Amount: \$1.13 million

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