

## The Million Dollar Verdicts, Continued

### **The 2007 Million Dollar Verdicts at a Glance**

*These results are sorted in order from largest to smallest*

<u>County</u>	<u>Case#</u>	<u>Verdict</u>	<u>Description</u>
Jessamine Plaintiff:	3771 John Reynolds and David Thomas	\$16,000,000	A little girl's step-grandfather sexually molested her. A Nicholasville jury assessed punitives of \$8.5 million against the since-convicted molester. [The defendant was pro se.]
Bell Plaintiff:	3726 John Dodson & J.P. Cline	\$11,754,990	A hospital pathologist was blamed for missing signs of cancer while reviewing a portion of the plaintiff's appendix after an appendectomy after a treatment delay of eighteen months, widespread abdominal cancer was identified and the plaintiff was given a grim prognosis.
Louisville Plaintiff:	3570 Peter Perlman & Tyler Thompson	\$11,079,285	A young mother was left a paraplegic after an SUV roll-over crash precipitated by a defective towing dolly.
Jefferson Plaintiff:	3571 Joseph Satterley, Patrick O'Brien & Jeffrey Chod	\$9,323,660	While switching cars at a Southern Indiana trainyard, the plaintiff was struck by a rolling train. One leg was severed and the other badly injured.
Bullitt Plaintiff:	3691 Ann Oldfather & Kirsten Daniel	\$6,111,312	A teenage girl, a McDonald's employee, was strip-searched and sexually assaulted in the store office by her female manager and then by the manager's fiancé, all at the direction of a third-party caller pretending to be a police officer, but who was actually perpetrating a hoax. The girl sued McDonald's alleging negligent security as there was evidence the hamburger company was aware of numerous incidents of this hoax, yet took no steps to train or warn its managers.
Anderson Plaintiff:	3770 Joseph Satterley & Kenneth Sales	\$5,650,000	A woman developed mesothelioma after an industrial exposure to a talc product that contained asbestos.
Jefferson Plaintiff:	3568 Lee Sitlinger	\$5,107,949	The plaintiff hired a lawyer to sue a pilot after a plane crashed into her house; the lawyer did sue, but not until after the statute of limitations had expired, the plaintiff later alleging that beyond the lawyer's negligence in extinguishing the underlying claim, he committed fraud in his representation.
Fayette Plaintiff:	3608 Christopher Miller, William Rambicure & Charles Arnold	\$3,700,000	A woman, now in her forties, alleged the school district acted from 1976 to 1981 with deliberate indifference to her report of sexual abuse.
Madison Plaintiff:	3764 James Gilbert	\$2,751,940	In a serious right-of-way crash, a motorcyclist (age 42 and the HVAC controller at EKU), suffered a serious lower extremity injury and later sustained an above-the-knee amputation.
Taylor Plaintiff:	3684 Robert Elliott & Escum Moore, III	\$1,920,816	The plaintiff, age 37, reported to the ER with radiating chest pain. He was diagnosed with reflux. Twelve days later he was feeling poorly and called a hospital nurse who told him to take Mylanta. Within minutes, he was dead of a heart attack.

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Fayette Plaintiff:	3600 Beth Zahneis, Daniel Cody & Michael Djordevic	\$1,794,975	An infant girl sustained a brachial plexus birth injury her pain and suffering was valued at \$1,000,000 as claimed.
Fayette Plaintiff:	3594 Robert Stansbury	\$1,749,289	Plaintiff suffered complications after a sponge was left behind during a hysterectomy pain and suffering valued in Lexington at \$1.5 million.
Breathitt Plaintiff:	3728 Clyde Simmons & Dawn Watts	\$1,535,500	Arriving at the ER with chest pains, the plaintiff went outside to smoke his name was called and he didn't hear it leaving the hospital, he was dead of a heart attack within an hour his estate sued the ER doctor for not making efforts to see the patient in a timely fashion whether the patient was on a smoke break or not
Pike Plaintiff:	3755 Gary Johnson & Rhonda Blackburn	\$1,126,051	The axle on the defendant's truck fell off and crashed into the oncoming plaintiff the wreck left the plaintiff with an L4-5 disc injury the defendant replied that the axis failure was sudden and unexpected.
Bullitt Plaintiff:	3691 Glenn Cohen & Cynthia Effinger	\$1,100,000	A store manager at McDonald's became embroiled in the strip search scandal and was fired.