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**Roofing Negligence - In a bizarre incident while repairing a roof and replacing shingles, the plaintiff (the repair man) was knocked from the roof when the homeowner threw a shingle at him in an effort to expedite the repair – the homeowner denied throwing a shingle and suggested the plaintiff simply fell, his so-called “magic shingle” theory not being credible**

*Parks v. Stricklin, 2010-113*

Plaintiff: J. Harland Webster and W. Brennan Chapman, *Chapman Lewis & Swan*, Clarksdale

Defense: Richard L. Kimmel and Charles C. Auerswald, *Upshaw Williams Biggers & Beckham*, Greenwood  
Verdict: \$150,000 for plaintiff less 40% comparative fault

Court: **Desoto**

Judge: Robert Chamberlin

Date: 11-9-11

Jason Parks, then age 28, was doing a roof repair job in Olive Branch on 9-11-09 at the home of Fred Stricklin. Parks was replacing missing shingles. As Parks worked (with his back to Stricklin), Stricklin suddenly threw a shingle at Parks. Stricklin was apparently trying to hurry the job along.