

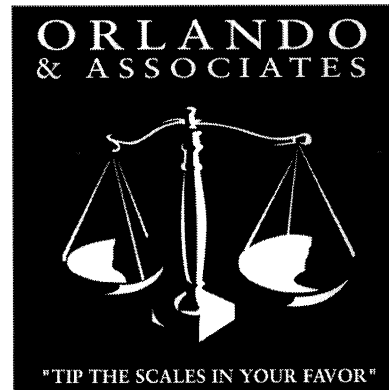
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Victim of Local Dentist's Mistake Gets Over \$100,000 in Damages

On Friday, April 8, 2011, a jury awarded Michael Strauss \$100,000.00 for the pain and suffering he experienced after Gloucester dentist Dawn Ansello extracted the wrong teeth. Mr. Strauss was also awarded interest in an amount to be determined by the court.

In order to fix the extensive damage done to his mouth by Dr. Ansello, Mr. Strauss was forced to pay over \$30,000.00 to other oral surgeons, including undergoing implants of bone from other areas of his body. In addition, for over five years, Dr. Ansello's insurance company refused to make a reasonable offer of settlement to resolve Mr. Strauss' claim, even though Dr. Ansello admitted to pulling the wrong teeth, resulting in financial strain for the Strauss family.

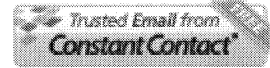
During the five day trial at Lawrence Superior Court, Attorney Joseph M. Orlando, assisted during the trial by his son, Joseph M. Orlando, Jr., Esq., argued that due to the fact that Dr. Ansello had admitted pulling the wrong teeth, Mr. Strauss should be justly compensated for all of the attendant financial and medical damages he was forced to undergo. "I am very pleased that the jury understood the devastating impact that this event had on Mr. Strauss and his family," states Attorney Orlando. "In these situations, it is imperative that juries hold medical personnel and the insurance companies who support them, accountable for their negligence."

Attorney Orlando will now turn his attention to a new claim against the insurance company who refused to settle Mr. Strauss' claim for five years leading up to trial, in the form of a bad faith lawsuit. "We anticipate future payments to be made to Mr. Strauss based on the insurance company's bad faith tactics in regard to this claim," states Attorney Orlando.

This was a long-awaited victory for the Strauss family.



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