

# After video presentation, transit authority settles negligence suit

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Wei Wang, who had worked in Sacramento, suffered numerous fractures and internal organ injuries in the February 2016 accident, according to the suit and a settlement video created by the Brady Law Group. *Wang v. El Dorado County Transit Authority et al.*, 34-2016-00197744 (Sacramento Super. Ct., filed July 21, 2016).

“We sent dozens of these videos on thumb drives out,” said attorney Steven J. Brady. “It’s 100 times more effective than a settlement brief.”

“I think they helped give everybody a clear understanding, not only of the details of the case but how well prepared we were for trial,” he added.

Brady sought damages for his client’s medical expenses, attendant care and loss of future earning capacity.

The attorney for the transit district, Stephen E. Horan of Porter Scott APC, could not be reached for comment.

An attorney for Ironshore Inc., one of the district’s insurers, Keith E. Smith of Wood Smith Henning & Berman LLP, said he could not comment on the case.

The 14-minute video, which details Wang’s life and family before and after the accident, contains an animation sequence that highlights her injuries in turn: a fractured sternum, ribs, vertebrae, pelvis, knee, ankle and foot as well as injuries to her aorta, liver and intestines.

Brady said he sent out the videos in mid-October and the case settled a month later, on the eve of what was expected to be a three- to four-week trial.

Based on footage from traffic and building cameras, Brady also prepared animation videos for trial, to demonstrate the accident from different angles.

The state Supreme Court ruled in *People vs Duenas*, 2012 DJDAR 10799, that such animation is acceptable demonstrative evidence to aid a jury in understanding testimony from experts.

“People want to see what the deal is,” Brady said. “They don’t like lawyers trying to tell them what to do. Jurors want to make decisions based on what they see.”

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