

Legislative Report

Settlements of Litigation for \$75,000 or more, G.S. §114-2.4(b), since March 15, 2005

Case Name	Date Closed	Settlement Amount	Case Summary
Adams, Gary Scott v. Department of Transportation	05/13/2005	\$75,000.00	Worker's Compensation Case. Back Injury. Employee unable to return to work. Employee asserts he is totally disabled.
Collins, James Bryan v. Department of Transportation	07/18/2005	\$170,000.00	Tort Claim. Death Case. Alleged that DOT failed to place proper signage.
Crosscup, William v. Department of Public Instruction	07/06/2005	\$145,000.00	Worker's Compensation Case. 53 year old teacher. Low Back injury requiring surgery. 25% permanent disability.
Cullifer, William v. Department of Public Instruction	06/01/2005	\$107,500.00	Worker's Compensation Case. Police Officer. Assaulted by a student. Disc herniations. Two spinal fusion surgeries performed.
Fleggas v. State of NC Teachers' and State Employees' Comprehensive Medical	06/01/2005	\$94,089.00	Claim for reimbursement of expenses for medical care.
Franzen, Jan v. Department of Public Instruction	06/01/2005	\$150,000.00	Worker's Compensation Case. 61 year old teacher tripped over student. Injuries include shoulder and head injuries and chipped teeth. Post traumatic stress disorder.
Freeze, Jerry v. Department of Agriculture	03/23/2005	\$170,000.00	Worker's Compensation Case. 64 year old truck driver. Right shoulder and elbow injury due to fall. 40% permanent disability with possibility of future shoulder surgery.
Fuller, Jack F. v. Department of Public Instruction	06/22/2005	\$125,000.00	Worker's Compensation Case. 61 year old shop teacher. Neck and Lower back injury. 20% Permanent Total Disability. Employer unable to accommodate employee restrictions.
Hairston, David v. North Carolina School of the Arts	03/28/2005	\$150,000.00	Workers Comp. case. 60 year old mechanic with back injury. 20% permanent rating to back and permanent 15 pound lifting restriction.
Harris, Aaron Isiah v. Department of Transportation	04/12/2005	\$75,000.00	Tort Claim. Lights out due to ice storm. Allegations that DOT improperly placed signs giving conflicting instructions to driver. Accident resulted in death.
Harris, Patricia v. Department of Public Instruction	08/29/2005	\$100,000.00	Worker's Compensation Case. 50 year old custodian. Right shoulder injury. 40% Permanent disability. Unable to return to work.
Howard, Judith v. Department of Public Instruction	08/10/2005	\$150,000.00	Worker's Compensation Case. 49 year old bus driver. Lower back injury from separating fighting students. Long term disability.
Larco Construction Co. v. Department of Transportation	07/22/2005	\$350,000.00	Highway Construction Contract Claim
LLC, PMLH v. Department of Commerce	03/23/2005	\$160,000.00	Financial Tort. Alleged financial hardship due to actions by State. Claims arose out of Hurricane Floyd and subsequent relief construction. Five Tort Claims.
Mclver, Kenneth v. Department of Public Instruction	05/25/2005	\$350,000.00	School Bus Accident. Defendant Driver cited for accident. Plaintiff suffered knee, back and shoulder injuries. One back surgery with possibility of additional.

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Olive, David v. Department of Transportation	07/18/2005	\$110,000.00	Tort Claim. Vehicle accident. Plaintiff injured back which required surgery. His medicals exceeded \$100,000.
Ratnesar, Matthew D. v. Department of Transportation	07/19/2005	\$125,000.00	Tort Claim. Allegations that DOT created dangerous road conditions. Motorcycle accident resulting in serious neck and shoulder injuries.
Rich, Regina L. v. Department of Correction	06/01/2005	\$105,000.00	Worker's Compensation Case. Correctional officer injured knee while working. Surgery required. 15% permanent disability rating.
Vukovich, Jennifer v. Department of Public Instruction	03/29/2005	\$100,000.00	Worker's Compensation Case. 36 year old teacher. Back injuries requiring surgery. 35% Permanent disability rating. Future surgery likely.