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LARGEST SETTLEMENTS OF 2004

\$13 Million	Negligence — railroad crossing <i>Beyersdorfer, et al. v. I&M Rail Link</i> Jackson County Circuit Court	Louis C. Accurso, Charles McKenzie and Ann Wright, <i>The Accurso Law Firm</i> , Kansas City; William McIntosh, <i>The McIntosh Law Firm</i> , Kansas City
\$9.5 Million	Automobile Accident — two deaths <i>De v. ABC Trucking Company</i> Jackson County Circuit Court	The Dallas, Kansas City
\$9 Million	Medical Malpractice — hypoxic brain injury <i>De v. ABC Hospital</i> Jackson County Circuit Court	Ed Henderson and Michelle Butler O'Neal, <i>The Henderson Law Firm</i> , Joplin
\$7.5 Million	False Imprisonment <i>De v. ABC County</i> St. Louis County Circuit Court	James Cochran, St. Louis; Mark Smith, St. Louis; Christy Pines and Charles Rogers, Kansas City
\$5.6 Million	Automobile Accident — closed head injury <i>De v. ABC</i> St. Louis City Circuit Court	Mark McDaniel, St. Louis
\$3.8 Million	Automobile Accident — two deaths <i>De v. ABC</i> St. Louis City Circuit Court	James M. Dwyer, David P. Dwyer, St. Louis
\$3.3 Million	Medical Malpractice — prolonged heart attack, heart transplant <i>De v. ABC</i> Jackson County Circuit Court	James F. Proffers and Michael C. Rudis, St. Louis; Proffers, Robinson & O'Neil, Kansas City
\$3 Million	Automobile Accident — incomplete quadriplegia <i>De v. ABC Trucking Company</i> Jackson County Circuit Court	James Pines Smith and Gary C. Smith, St. Louis; Mark Smith, Kansas City

LARGEST PLAINTIFF'S VERDICTS OF 2004

\$30 Million	Wrongful Death — murder <i>De v. ABC</i> City Circuit Court	John Ryan, Kansas City
\$27 Million	Automobile Accident — two deaths, closed head injury <i>De v. ABC</i> Jackson County Circuit Court	John W. Dwyer, James M. Dwyer, David P. Dwyer, St. Louis; James T. Thompson and Brandon Butler, St. Louis; P. Thompson, Kansas City
\$20 Million	Product Liability — popcorn burning <i>De v. ABC</i> City Circuit Court	Michael McLean, Douglas, Jennings & McLean, Kansas City
\$15 Million	Intellectual Property — misappropriation of name <i>De v. ABC</i> St. Louis City Circuit Court	Robert W. Miller, Robert D. Miller and B. Thomas Miller, St. Louis; Bradley J. Frank, Charles James Johnson, St. Louis; Steven P. Johnson, St. Louis
\$12.5 Million	Product Liability — automobile fuel tank <i>De v. ABC</i> Jackson County Circuit Court	J. Ross Johnson and Bruce Smith, Joplin; P. Thompson, Jennings; Roger Parker, St. Louis
\$12 Million	Negligence — railroad crossing <i>Sturdevant v. Kansas City Southern Railway Company</i> Jackson County Circuit Court	Louis C. Accurso, Steven D. Steinhilber and Ann Wright, <i>The Accurso Law Firm</i> , Kansas City; William McIntosh, <i>The McIntosh Law Firm</i> , Kansas City
\$7.6 Million	Automobile Accident — closed head injury <i>De v. ABC</i> Jackson County Circuit Court	Edward Henderson, Steve Henderson and Thomas Pines, <i>The Henderson Law Firm</i> , Joplin
\$6.5 Million	Product Liability — fuel tank <i>De v. ABC</i> Jackson County Circuit Court	John W. Dwyer Jr., Kansas City; Mark D. Hoffman, St. Louis; P. Thompson, Kansas City; David T. Dallas, Kansas City; Michael C. Rudis, Kansas City