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<u>Facts</u>: The accident stems from a motor vehicle/motorcycle accident that occurred on May 6, 2014 on the westbound service road of Queens Boulevard at or near its intersection with 76th Street in Queens. The defendant, Louisa Boyagbi, claims that she was stopped in the single lane of travel waiting to make a right hand turn when the plaintiff motorcyclist attempted to pass her on the left and sideswiped her vehicle. The plaintiff contends that while passing the defendant, the defendant veered to the left striking his motorcycle propelling him to the ground and causing serious and significant injuries.

<u>Injuries</u>: As a result of the accident, plaintiff claimed injuries to the right shoulder, right elbow, as well as abrasions to both hands and the right knee. The plaintiff underwent an MRI performed on August 18, 2014 revealing rotator cuff tendinopathy consistent with a tear of the anterior inferior labrum.

<u>Verdict</u>: The case was tried in the Civil Court, Queens County before Justice Hawkin on October 3 - 5, 2017 at which time the jury returned a verdict in favor of the defendant. The plaintiff's settlement demand was the policy limit of \$100,000, although right before the verdict, he lowered his demand to \$85,000.