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\$425K for Auto Accident in Warren Co.

Martin v. Klym Enterprises: A Pennsylvania man has received \$425,000 as compensation for injuries he received after his car struck a truck that had made an illegal U-turn.

Plaintiff Glenn Martin, 55, of Easton, Pennsylvania, agreed to the settlement Sept. 23 with Peninsula Ins. Co., the carrier for defendants Klym Enterprises of Pen Argyl, Pennsylvania, and its driver, Peter Baltjes, according to Martin's attorney, **Adam Epstein**.

Martin received his settlement funds Nov. 2.

Martin was injured Aug. 16, 2012, as he was driving on Interstate 78 in Pohatcong, said Epstein, of **Mazie Slater Katz & Freeman** in Roseland. Baltjes, who was in the right west-bound lane, began to make an illegal

U-turn in an attempt to get into the eastbound lanes, causing Martin's car to strike the Klym Enterprises truck on the driver's side, the suit claimed.

As a result of the accident, Martin sustained a fractured sternum, disc bulges and disc herniations in the lumbar spine. He was required to undergo disc fusion, Epstein said.

The lawsuit, filed in Warren County Superior Court, had not been assigned a trial date, Epstein said.

Peninsula retained **Gino Mecoli**, of the Merchantville office of **Reilly, Janiczek, McDevitt, Henrich & Cholden**, to represent Klym and Baltjes. He did not return a call seeking comment on the case.

— **By Michael Booth**



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