

NOVEMBER 1991

KING COUNTY

,Number : 91-2-05400-2

**Date of Arbitration:** 10/8, 1991

Plff Atty: Scott M. Donaldson (Seattle)

Def. **Atty:** Robin Aronson of Lee, Smart, Cook, Martin & Patterson (Seattle)

**Plff Med.:** William C. Ho MD (Family Practice-by report);  
David M. Chaplin MD FRCS (Orthopedist-by report)  
both Seattle

**Arbitrator:** Mark G. Honeywell

**FALL ON BUS**

**FRACTURED TEETH; BACK & SHOULDER. INJURIES; CONTUSIONS;  
LACERATION**

9/28/89 - Plff, female age 60, sales associate at Bon Marche. Plff contended she was passenger on Metro bus which was hit by Def.'s flatbed truck running a red light; impact caused Plff to be thrown down into aisle.

**Injuries:** Shoulder bursitis; bruising of arm and hip. Low back pain; cut on ankle and fractured teeth. Recovered from injuries after approximately one year with exception of left shoulder bursitis (Plff is left-handed) which although not permanent injury flares up occasionally due to work load.

**Specials:** Med. \$2,150.84 (not disputed); Lost Wages \$128.88 (one day, not disputed); Dental Expenses \$5,250 (disputed.)

**Settlement:** Demand: \$24,000. Offer: \$18,500.

**AWARD:** PLAINTIFF AWARD for \$25,709.72. (Arbitrator awarded Plff \$5,709.72 special damages (future dental of \$3,430, past medical of \$2,150.84 and wage loss of \$128.88) and \$20,000 in general damages.)