

# Injured nanny receives largest workers' comp settlement in state history

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A California law firm has announced that its client has been awarded the largest workers' compensation settlement in the state's history after suffering a catastrophic brain injury.

Harry Samarghachian, a partner at Rose, Klein & Marias, won a settlement of \$11.3 million for the client, a 29-year-old woman who was working as a nanny. The woman accompanied her employers on a ski vacation to Colorado to help them care for their young child.

While in Colorado, the woman was a passenger in her employers' car when it was involved in a severe traffic accident. She sustained major injuries, including a catastrophic traumatic brain injury that left her confined to a wheelchair and in need of round-the-clock care for the rest of her life.

Initially, the insurance company denied all liability for the claim. However, the victim's lawyer was able to demonstrate that her injuries occurred during the course of her job as a nanny, making her eligible for workers' compensation benefits. The insurance company eventually agreed to settle the case for \$11.3 million, and additionally agreed to pay for all past medical care to date.