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## School District Forced to Compensate Football Player

KKRR was able to compensate a young High School student who became the victim of his school's negligent supervision. The student, a member of the varsity football team, had been diligently running full-contact drills with his teammates when he suffered a traumatically induced nerve injury.

This incident was not the first time the student had been injured while participating in the activities of his school's football team, and he suffered disc bulges and herniations as a result. These injuries became so severe that he had to undergo spinal-fusion surgery followed by an extensive three months of physical therapy.

We felt that both the school district and his football coach were negligent because they did not properly notify his parents of how severe the injuries he had sustained were. Additionally, they were negligent for allowing him to participate in full-contact drills after a series of injuries, especially since medical clearance was never obtained before allowing our client to return to the team.

Our client relied upon the professionalism and knowledge of his coach to ensure he would not be allowed to come under any harm, but his trust was sadly misplaced, and in the end he suffered serious injuries as a result of this negligence. Fortunately we were able to vigorously fight for our client's rights.

We established a duty upon the coach and the school district to not only properly notify his parents of the extent to the injuries he suffered while in their care, but also to protect his well-being, making sure it was safe for him to participate in football drills and play in games.

In the end, we were able to obtain \$175,000 for the young student. We are grateful to have been able to justly compensate our client for a failure in supervision and care.

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