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To Whom It May Concern:

Dr. Victor Poletajev provided expert testimony as a medical evaluator in a case I presented to a Jury in Southwestern Pennsylvania in 2004. The defense had characterized this as simply being a "soft tissue injury;" and had remained steadfast at offering only \$20,000.00, which I am told is a common valuation for that type of injury in the area. The defense had sent my client to be evaluated by a Board Certified Rehabilitation specialist, who opined that there were no objective findings of injury. Dr. Poletajev, on the other hand, testified that there was evidence of nerve injury and that he had determined my client had suffered a 38% impairment from the wreck.

The jury returned a verdict of 8 times the amount which had been offered prior to settlement. I give much of the credit to Dr. Poletajev's able testimony. I also commend Dr. Poletajev for being extremely accessible and easy to work with. It is my intention to continue using Dr. Poletajev, as he did a very good job for our client and our firm.

Very truly yours,

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