

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE LAWSUITS IN NORTH CAROLINA 1998-2009

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In January 1998, the North Carolina Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) began to compile data on all filings of medical malpractice lawsuits, and to record the date each case was resolved and whether the case went to trial. The North Carolina Advocates for Justice contacted county clerk of court offices to compile information on all cases in the database that the AOC indicated had gone to trial through December 31, 2009. By checking Superior Court case files, the NCAJ determined the outcome of the trial and the amount of the verdict.

The AOC data, supplemented by information from Superior Court files, provides a comprehensive picture of the incidence of malpractice lawsuits in North Carolina, the number and outcome of malpractice trials, and the size of jury awards. This report summarizes the key findings.

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE CASE FILINGS

- From 1998 through 2009, North Carolinians filed an average of 566 medical malpractice lawsuits per year – a small fraction of the number of North Carolina patients harmed each year by medical mistakes (Table 1).
- From 1998 through 2009, the number of all civil case filings in North Carolina averaged 228,037 per year. The medical malpractice filings accounted for 0.25% of all civil cases.
- In 2009, North Carolinians filed 496 malpractice lawsuits. Over the past three years (2007, 2008, 2009), the annual average of malpractice filings was 465 – 22.5% lower than the annual average in the preceding nine years.
- While the number of malpractice suits has declined over the past ten years, the number of physicians in North Carolina continues to increase, and the rate of growth in the physician population continues to outpace the growth in total population. Between 1998 and 2008 (the last year with complete data), the total population in North Carolina grew by 18.3%, while the physician population increased by 29.1% (Table 2).

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE TRIALS

- Of the 6,795 malpractice cases filed since 1998, 91% (6,157) had been resolved by January 1, 2010.
- Four percent (245) of the resolved cases went to verdict. The other 96% were settled, dismissed before or during trial, or otherwise resolved.
- Of the 245 cases that went to verdict, the plaintiff won 54 times – a 22.3% success rate. In the other 191 trials, the health care provider obtained a defense verdict. (Table 3) (by date of disposition); (Table 4) (by county)
- Malpractice trials often involve multiple defendants. In many of the cases in which the plaintiff obtained a favorable verdict against one defendant, the jury found in favor of one or more co-defendants. In the five-year period from 2005-2009, a malpractice defendant had an 86% probability of winning at trial.

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE VERDICTS

- In the 54 malpractice cases in which the plaintiff won at trial and obtained a verdict on damages, the median jury award was \$320,000.

TABLE 1
MEDICAL MALPRACTICE CASE FILINGS IN NORTH CAROLINA,
1998-2009

Year	Civil Filings – Superior and District Courts	Medical Malpractice Filings	Percentage of All Civil Filings
1998	200,121	556	0.28%
1999	203,017	587	0.29%
2000	215,657	627	0.29%
2001	219,997	679	0.31%
2002	216,790	611	0.28%
2003	212,728	646	0.30%
2004	217,649	617	0.28%
2005	218,166	568	0.26%
2006	234,101	510	0.22%
2007	249,098	460	0.18%
2008	267,994	438	0.16%
2009	281,124	496	0.18%
Total	2,736,442	6,795	0.25%

Source: North Carolina Administrative Office of the Courts

TABLE 2
GROWTH IN TOTAL POPULATION AND GROWTH IN PHYSICIAN
POPULATION IN NORTH CAROLINA, 1998-2008

Year	Total Population	% Change from Previous Year	Total Physician Population	% Change from Previous Year	# Physicians Per 10,000 Population
1998	7,797,501	N/A	15,135	N/A	19.4
1999	7,938,062	1.8%	15,470	2.21%	19.5
2000	8,049,313	1.4%	15,925	2.94%	19.8
2001	8,187,855	1.7%	16,392	2.93%	20.0
2002	8,336,829	1.8%	16,769	2.29%	20.1
2003	8,485,802	1.8%	17,090	1.91%	20.1
2004	8,562,210	0.9%	17,349	1.51%	20.3
2005	8,663,674	1.2%	17,895	3.15%	20.7
2006	8,860,341	2.3%	18,396	2.80%	20.8
2007	9,069,398	2.4%	18,913	2.81%	20.9
2008	9,227,016	1.7%	19,542	3.33%	21.2
<i>Total Increase 1998-2008</i>	<i>1,429,515</i>	<i>18.3%</i>	<i>4,407</i>	<i>29.1%</i>	<i>+1.8</i>

Source: NC Health Professions Data System, Cecil G. Sheps Center for Health Services Research, UNC-Chapel Hill

TABLE 3
RESULTS OF TRIALS TO VERDICT OF MEDICAL MALPRACTICE CASES FILED IN NORTH CAROLINA
SINCE JANUARY 1, 1998, BY DATE OF DISPOSITION

Case Name	Case Number	County	Case Disposition Date	Result	Amount of Verdict
Bath v. Gihwala	1998CVS000285	Cleveland	1999-04-28	Defense	
Harris v. Dunn	1998CVS000572	Craven	1999-05-05	Defense	
Zelch v. Fleming	1998CVS000041	Watauga	1999-06-24	Plaintiff	160,000
O'Connor v. Mathews	1998CVS003637	Guilford	1999-08-16	Defense	
Flowers v. Horner	1998CVS008003	Mecklenburg	1999-09-01	Defense	
Gregorino v. Charlotte-Mecklenburg Hospital	1998CVS009367	Mecklenburg	1999-09-09	Plaintiff	1
Haynes v. Odell	1998CVS000286	Cleveland	1999-12-17	Plaintiff	650,000
Lynch v. Nalle Clinic Co.	1998CVS007686	Mecklenburg	2000-03-21	Plaintiff	164,000
Person v. Sturgis	1998CVS000190	Pitt	2000-04-17	Defense	
Blackburn v. Wilkes Regional Medical Ctr.	1998CVS000383	Wilkes	2000-05-05	Defense	
Liborio v. King	1998CVS000677	New Hanover	2000-05-23	Defense	
Gillespie v. Tolhurst	1998CVS001097	Cleveland	2000-06-06	Defense	
Stress v. Ogron	1998CVS000121	Buncombe	2000-06-14	Defense	
Gibson v. Heath	1999CVS002702	Forsyth	2000-06-14	Defense	
Teal v. Theofrastous	1999CVS001116	Buncombe	2000-06-20	Defense	
Herbert v. Chappell	1998CVS001126	Orange	2000-09-11	Defense	
Johansen v. Reames	1998CVS018331	Mecklenburg	2000-09-13	Defense	
Coffman v. Roberson	1998CVS001264	Columbus	2000-10-24	Plaintiff	250,000
Roberson v. Cannon	1998CVS000043	Martin	2000-11-09	Plaintiff	5,750
Frye v. Frye Regional Medical Center	1998CVS002692	Catawba	2000-11-13	Plaintiff	592,950
Dendy v. Sutton	1998CVS005136	Gaston	2000-12-18	Defense	
Crotts v. Robinson/Davie Healthcare	1999CVS003945	Forsyth	2001-01-05	Plaintiff	302,600
Sessoms v. Gaskins	1999CVS008814	Cumberland	2001-01-17	Plaintiff	4,500,000
Barnes v. Daly	1999CVS009225	Mecklenburg	2001-02-19	Plaintiff	8,100,000
Evans v. Rutherford Hospital, Inc.	1999CVS000804	Rutherford	2001-03-02	Defense	
Smith v. Carolina Manor Treatment Ctr.	1999CVS001749	Robeson	2001-03-13	Plaintiff	300,000
Suarez v. Wotring	1998CVS003189	Catawba	2001-03-27	Defense	
Clark v. Savidge	1999CVS001284	Brunswick	2001-05-07	Defense	
Cruz-Segarra v. Presbyterian Hospital	1999CVS008065	Mecklenburg	2001-05-23	Defense	

Hudson v. Zeidan	1998CVS001318	Richmond	2001-07-11	Plaintiff	80,500
Constantino v. Cuellar	2000CVS000151	Yancey	2001-08-15	Defense	
Johnson v. Cates	2000CVS001162	Gaston	2001-08-29	Defense	
Taylor v. King Group, Inc.	1999CVS001958	Durham	2001-09-17	Defense	
McLeod v. Coastal Physician Services	2000CVS003904	Cumberland	2001-09-18	Defense	
Batchelor v. Boyette	1999CVS001395	Nash	2001-10-02	Defense	
Talton v. Maxwell	1998CVS001067	Henderson	2001-10-03	Defense	
Ford v. Tucker	1999CVS003239	Mecklenburg	2001-10-09	Defense	
Smith v. Stagg	2000CVS002539	Forsyth	2001-10-18	Defense	
Graham v. Nerney	1999CVS000026	Cherokee	2001-10-22	Defense	
North v. New Hanover Regional Medical Ctr.	2000CVS000432	New Hanover	2001-10-22	Defense	
Jackson v. Garcia	2000CVS001632	Wayne	2001-10-30	Defense	
Foster v. Gerrard	2000CVS001318	Catawba	2001-12-20	Defense	
Collins v. Rodden ¹	1999CVS000580	Jackson	2002-02-01	Plaintiff	---
Barham v. Hawk	2001CVS000072	Polk	2002-03-21	Defense	
McCourry v. Humble	2000CVS001531	Buncombe	2002-03-26	Defense	
Roberson v. Mountain Radiation	1999CVS001024	Buncombe	2002-04-01	Plaintiff	125,000
Stroud v. Boyd	2000CVS001307	Johnston	2002-04-11	Defense	
Middleton v. Eruchalu	2000CVS009003	Mecklenburg	2002-04-19	Defense	
Meraz v. Price	1999CVS002177	Catawba	2002-04-29	Defense	
Livingston v. Blackwell	2000CVS001753	Wilkes	2002-05-14	Plaintiff	841,500
Dixon v. Vance	2000CVS001687	Guilford	2002-05-20	Defense	
Wilson v. McDougal	1998CVS001224	Catawba	2002-06-05	Defense	
Cockrell v. Lemaire	2000CVS001190	Wilson	2002-06-11	Defense	
Freet v. Hicks	2000CVS012476	Mecklenburg	2002-07-08	Defense	
Hoffman v. Watauga Medical Ctr.	2000CVS000633	Watauga	2002-07-26	Defense	
Willie v. Esposito	2001CVS003854	New Hanover	2002-09-09	Defense	
Knight v. Temple	1999CVS001358	Edgecombe	2002-09-12	Defense	
Tutherow v. Kessel	2000CVS003562	Catawba	2002-09-26	Defense	
Remesi v. Bessent	2000CVS005449	Mecklenburg	2002-09-30	Defense	
Parker v. Demir	1999CVS000700	Jackson	2002-10-08	Defense	

¹ In Collins v. Rodden (Jackson County, 1999 CVS 580) the trial was bifurcated on liability and damages. The case settled for a confidential amount after a jury verdict for the plaintiff on liability.

Pitts v. Nash Day Hospital	2001CVS000066	Nash	2002-12-16	Defense	
Gill v. Benson	2001CVS023625	Mecklenburg	2003-01-14	Defense	
Finley v. Kittner	2001CVS001418	Buncombe	2003-01-24	Defense	
Mancour v. Durham Emergency Phys., PA	2000CVS000503	Durham	2003-02-11	Defense	
Jester v. McCummiff	2000CVS000820	Yadkin	2003-03-06	Defense	
Ledford v. Reilly	2001CVS002531	Buncombe	2003-03-13	Defense	
Sellars v. Wilmington Health Associates	2000CVS004122	New Hanover	2003-03-17	Defense	
Whittington v. Vyas and Eastern Carolina Medical Center	2001CVS002440	Johnston	2003-04-03	Defense	
Salisbury v. Summers	2001CVS000989	Moore	2003-04-21	Defense	
Hoke v. NC Health Care Archdale	2001CVS002510	Randolph	2003-05-05	Plaintiff	600,000
Mitchell v. Scotland Health Care Systems	2001CVS000401	Scotland	2003-06-13	Plaintiff	56,000
Sutphins v. Hardigree	2000CVS002566	Gaston	2003-06-17	Defense	
Bridges v. Stowe	2001CVS002628	Mecklenburg	2003-06-30	Defense	
Anderson v. Selden	2000CVS014762	Wake	2003-06-30	Defense	
Chaffin v. North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Inc.	2002CVS001899	Forsyth	2003-07-03	Plaintiff	875,000
Howie v. Walsh	2000CVS013037	Mecklenburg	2003-07-17	Plaintiff	300,000
Skinner v. Furman	2001CVS000542	Watauga	2003-07-18	Defense	
Furr v. Lee	1999CVS001945	Cabarrus	2003-07-31	Defense	
Matthews v. Forsyth County	2001CVS009857	Forsyth	2003-08-05	Defense	
Thomas v. Wake Med	2001CVS001177	Johnston	2003-08-11	Defense	
Spell v. Longenecker	2001CVS009221	Guilford	2003-08-21	Plaintiff	176,000
Youngblood v. Lamboy	2001CVS000579	Cherokee	2003-08-22	Defense	
Strickland v. Menachem	2000CVS000891	Columbus	2003-08-25	Defense	
Huggins v. Thom	2002CVS003580	Cumberland	2003-10-02	Plaintiff	500,000
Miller v. Forsyth Memorial Hospital d/b/a Piedmont Medical Specialists	2002CVS005141	Forsyth	2003-10-06	Defense	
Spain v. Pitt Memorial Hospital	2000CVS000393	Pitt	2003-10-29	Plaintiff	2,375,000
Wilmoth v. Bolling	2002CVS005087	Forsyth	2003-11-07	Defense	
Carducci v. Hardcastle	2001CVS004238	Guilford	2003-11-07	Defense	
Newcome v. Towarnicky	2000CVS002016	Craven	2003-11-10	Defense	
Stull v. Wayne Memorial Hospital	2001CVS001944	Wayne	2003-11-10	Plaintiff	750,000
Taylor v. Whiewell	2002CVS000116	Wilson	2003-11-12	Defense	
Cutter v. Schupner	2001CVS002678	Wayne	2003-11-17	Defense	
Thomas v. Chandler	2000CVS008518	Mecklenburg	2004-02-19	Defense	

Morgan v. Steiner	2001CVS001413	Richmond	2004-03-02	Defense	
Wilson v. Novik	2001CVS012783	Mecklenburg	2004-03-24	Defense	
Young v. Graystone	2002CVS002990	Catawba	2004-04-13	Plaintiff	800,000
Fincannon v. Lovin	2000CVS001655	Catawba	2004-04-21	Defense	
Gray v. Gammon	2002CVS000075	Cleveland	2004-05-10	Plaintiff	865,000
Johnson v. Jain	2002CVS003468	Wake	2004-05-11	Defense	
Alston v. Britthaven	2001CVS000724	Franklin	2004-05-14	Defense	
Tingle v. Paul	2001CVS002467	Craven	2004-05-17	Defense	
Price v. Brenton	2001CVS002565	Wayne	2004-05-24	Defense	
Pipkin v. Thurman, MD et al. ²	2001CVS001928	Wilson	2004-05-30	Plaintiff	1,750,000
Cramer v. Fritz	2002CVS000140	Moore	2004-06-02	Defense	
Boykin v. Kim	2003CVS001081	Cumberland	2004-06-03	Plaintiff	2,000,000
Henson v. Andrews	2002CVS018098	Mecklenburg	2004-06-22	Plaintiff	225,000
Tremble v. Kennerly	2002CVS000571	Buncombe	2004-06-24	Defense	
Pons v. Miller	2002CVS000202	Burke	2004-07-01	Defense	
Phillips v. Pastelas	2001CVS002228	Onslow	2004-08-18	Defense	
Carter v. Taiwo	2002CVS000444	Martin	2004-09-03	Plaintiff	427,500
Stafford v. Holt	2003CVS000156	Chatham	2004-09-08	Defense	
Nelson v. Hunt	2002CVS001350	Caldwell	2004-09-20	Defense	
Elledge v. Bryan	2001CVS000817	Surry	2004-09-21	Defense	
Spence v. Lipsed	2003CVS000536	Cherokee	2004-10-14	Defense	
Squires v. Sandland	2001CVS000964	Columbus	2004-10-15	Defense	
Chamberlain v. Sherard	2003CVS000485	Lenoir	2004-10-26	Defense	
Schoolfield v. Jenkins	2003CVS000868	Rockingham	2004-11-24	Defense	
Stafford v. Knutson	2002CVS000636	Wayne	2004-12-02	Defense	
Hogsed v. Pikus	2002CVS004392	Buncombe	2004-12-14	Defense	
Parker v. Gardner	2002CVS002949	Gaston	2004-12-29	Defense	
Simmons v. Britthaven, Inc.	2003CVS001765	Johnston	2005-02-11	Plaintiff	140,000
Buchanan v. Sales	2002CVS003817	Gaston	2005-02-24	Defense	
McGwinn v. Arendale & Asheville Radiology	2002CVS003960	Buncombe	2005-03-15	Defense	
Hutchens v. Stambaugh	2001CVS003559	Davidson	2005-03-18	Defense	
Coffee v. Alamance Regional Medical Ctr.	2003CVS001152	Alamance	2005-05-02	Defense	
Jones v. Cathcart	2003CVS000928	Vance	2005-05-06	Defense	

² Pipkin v. Thurman, MD et al. (Wilson County, 2001 CVS 001928) was a bench trial.

McKinney v. Croom	2002CVS000759	McDowell	2005-05-10	Plaintiff	290,000
Powell v. Quigley	2002CVS016253	Wake	2005-05-10	Defense	
Ingalls v. Wilson	2001CVS000401	Orange	2005-05-19	Defense	
Reynolds v. Taavoni	2002CVS013311	Wake	2005-06-01	Defense	
May v. Armstrong	2002CVS017416	Mecklenburg	2005-06-16	Defense	
Lambeth v. Edrington	2003CVS002379	Wake	2005-07-06	Defense	
Pogue v. Sinning	2001CVS002310	Craven	2005-07-08	Defense	
Starling v. Kleinsteuber & Smokey Mtn. Healthcare Assoc.	2002CVS000293	Macon	2005-07-14	Defense	
Davis v. Pedraza	2003CVS000272	Wayne	2005-07-18	Defense	
DeVos v. Providence Obstetrics & Gynecology, et al.	2002CVS023006	Mecklenburg	2005-08-04	Defense	
Passmore v. Gaccione	2002CVS001170	Davidson	2005-08-08	Defense	
Strong v. Carolinas Medical Center	2003CVS019314	Mecklenburg	2005-08-17	Defense	
Donato v. Bruch	2003CVS001640	Durham	2005-10-12	Defense	
Yorke, Jr. v. McCaskill-Gainey	2004CVS004099	Forsyth	2005-10-19	Defense	
Reid v. Charlotte-Mecklenburg Hospital Authority	2004CVS000805	Mecklenburg	2005-10-25	Defense	
Hughes v. Rivera-Ortiz	2004CVS001408	Mecklenburg	2005-10-31	Plaintiff	1
Matthews v. Moss	2003CVS000345	Sampson	2005-11-10	Defense	
O'Mara v. Wake Forest Univ. Health Sciences	2004CVS000298	Yadkin	2005-11-30	Defense	
Rhodes v. Atkins	2002CVS003166	Wayne	2005-12-15	Defense	
Stokes v. HP/Reidsville, Inc.	2003CVS011836	Guilford	2005-12-19	Defense	
Lee v. Richardson	2003CVS000328	Bertie	2005-12-28	Defense	
Harvey v. McLaughlin	2000CVS001591	Lenoir	2006-02-27	Defense	
Gurganus v. Bogey, Jr.	2004CVS000047	Martin	2006-03-01	Defense	
Heiser v. Ross, MD	2003CVS000335	Jackson	2006-03-13	Defense	
Cestrono v. Gill	2002CVS020402	Mecklenburg	2006-03-13	Defense	
Morton v. Roberts	2003CVS003855	Buncombe	2006-03-27	Defense	
White v. Younkin, MD	2004CVS006291	Guilford	2006-03-30	Defense	
Squires v. Harmond, MD	2004CVS001803	Wake	2006-04-11	Defense	
Simmons v. Gaston Memorial Hospital, Inc.	2003CVS002784	Gaston	2006-04-13	Defense	
Kless v. Murray, MD	2005CVS000646	Durham	2006-06-02	Defense	
Segars v. New Hanover Regional Medical Center	2004CVS002034	New Hanover	2006-07-20	Plaintiff	25,000
Kellum v. Koutlas	2002CVS004021	Onslow	2006-08-02	Defense	
Dawkins v. Foundation Health Systems Corp.	2005CVS003142	Forsyth	2006-08-07	Plaintiff	1,000,000

Thomas v. Sweet	2003CVS012406	Mecklenburg	2006-08-31	Plaintiff	1,300,000
Edlein v. Floyd, DDS PA	2004CVS015972	Mecklenburg	2006-09-05	Defense	
Scott v. Albright	2003CVS016111	Wake	2006-10-09	Defense	
Phillips v. Rhoton, MD & Mountain Neurological Center	2005CVS000868	Buncombe	2006-10-27	Defense	
Greene v. Hoesktrea, MD	2002CVS000324	Transylvania	2006-10-27	Defense	
Scott v. Carter, MD	2005CVS004707	Cumberland	2006-11-15	Defense	
Halsall v. Walker, Capps, Bowman & Capps, Bowman & Associates	2003CVS002961	Pitt	2006-11-17	Plaintiff	6,000
Rush v. Mondri, MD	2005CVS001046	Moore	2006-11-28	Defense	
Carter v. Whispering Pines Nursing and Rehab. Center	2004CVS015358	Mecklenburg	2006-12-11	Defense	
Estate of Pruitt v. Recker, et al.	2003CVS002730	Robeson	2006-12-15	Plaintiff	1,500,000
McLaurin v. Stanly Memorial Hospital	2004CVS001535	Stanly	2006-12-27	Defense	
Cruise v. Ossey, MD et al. ³	2005CVS010002	Guilford	2007-01-22	Defense	
Edmundson v. Lawrence, MD & Eastern Carolina Pediatrics, PA	2002CVS002318	Wilson	2007-02-08	Defense	
Craig v. Wake Forest Univ. Health Sciences et al.	2005CVS005127	Forsyth	2007-02-20	Defense	
McCoy v. Shoaf et al.	2005CVS010683	Mecklenburg	2007-02-26	Defense	
Swink v. Weintraub, MD & Southeastern Heart & Vascular Ctr.	2005CVS007067	Guilford	2007-03-01	Plaintiff	1,047,732
Phyllis B. Richardson v. Administrator of the Estate of Robert Whitt Richard	2002CVS002533	Rowan	2007-03-09	Defense	
Phillips v. Triangle Women's Health Clinic, Inc. & Schnider, MD	1997CVS007293	Wake	2007-03-19	Defense	
Roemer v. Spagnoli, DDS et al.	2005CVS008345	Mecklenburg	2007-03-21	Defense	
Franklin v. Quorum Health Resources LLC et al.	2004CVS002909	Johnston	2007-03-22	Defense	
Hardin v. Cumberland County Hospital System, Inc. et al.	2005 CVS 004376	Cumberland	2007-03-28	Defense	
Hall v. Sanford Surgical Clinic, PA & Beemer, MD	2005CVS001467	Harnett	2007-04-05	Defense	
Thompson v. Laurel Health Care Co.	2005CVS000403	Henderson	2007-04-12	Plaintiff	320,000
Keller v. Habashi, MD et al.	2005CVS001087	Lincoln	2007-04-18	Plaintiff	53,490
Smith v. Zellinger, MD et al.	2004CVS010761	Wake	2007-04-23	Defense	
Norton v. Quionones, MD et al.	2003CVS000494	Columbus	2007-05/23	Defense	

³ In Cruise v. Ossey, MD et al. (Guilford County, 2005 CVS 010002) the trial court directed a verdict in favor of the defendants at the close of the plaintiff's evidence.

Barringer v. Wake Forest Univ. Baptist Med. Ctr. Et al.	2005CVS006781	Forsyth	2007-06-13	Defense	
Akins v. Mission St. Joseph's Health System, Inc.	2005CVS001632	Buncombe	2007-06-28	Plaintiff	1
Meece v. So, MD	2005CVS000320	Cherokee	2007-07-19	Plaintiff	75,000
Gray v. Allen et al.	2005CVS001734	Stanly	2007-08-28	Defense	
Grant v. Carmel Obstetrics & Gynecology, PA	2004CVS008599	Mecklenburg	2007-09-12	Defense	
Byrd v. Good Hope Hospital, Inc. ⁴	2006CVS000980	Harnett	2007-09-14	Plaintiff	250,000
Sessons v. Lightner et al.	2005CVS009396	Cumberland	2007-10-24	Defense	
Hoburg v. Geissele, MD	2005CVS003927	Catawba	2007-11-01	Defense	
Strang v. Poulos, MD et al.	2006CVS000200	Cumberland	2007-11-05	Defense	
Hawkins v. SSC Hendersonville Operating Co.	2006CVS000035	Henderson	2007-11-16	Plaintiff	800,000
Davis v. NC Baptist Hospital et al.	2006CVS004004	Forsyth	2007-11-19	Plaintiff	10,437,093
Laland v. Busted, MD et al.	2004CVS000662	Carteret	2007-12-14	Defense	
Williams v. Zebulon Emergency Med. Services, Inc.	2005CVS011122	Wake	2008-01-18	Defense	
Foster v. Crandell	2004CVS003741	Forsyth	2008-02-06	Defense	
Devereux v. Mission Hospitals, Inc.	2005CVS005513	Buncombe	2008-02-15	Defense	
Sutton v. Hyman	2003CVS 000628	Martin	2008-02-22	Defense	
Harper v. Britthaven, Inc.	2004CVS000537	Dare	2008-03-07	Plaintiff	250,000
Seward v. Mulholland & Haywood Family Medicine	2006CVS001400	Haywood	2008-03-08	Plaintiff	270,000
Fenner v. Drury	2005CVS017232	Wake	2008-03-10	Defense	
Asbell v. Goco, MD	2006CVS006421	Forsyth	2008-03-11	Plaintiff	2,100,000
Hunter v. Charlotte-Mecklenburg Hosp. Authority	2006CVS005447	Mecklenburg	2008-04-28	Plaintiff	650,000
Hunter v. Charlotte Perinatal Association, PA	2006CVS014757	Mecklenburg	2008-04-28	Defense	
Proctor v. Guice, MD	2006CVS007146	Guilford	2008-04-29	Defense	
Wilkinson v. Wake Med	2005CVS014508	Wake	2008-05-05	Defense	
Long v. Rose, DC	2007CVS005119	Mecklenburg	2008-05-27	Defense	
Phillips v. Howard	2005CVS000054	Rutherford	2008-05-30	Plaintiff	500,000
Smith v. Beaufort Co. Hospital Association, Inc.	1999CVS000396	Beaufort	2008-06-09	Plaintiff	7,000,000
Whitaker v. Brooks, MD	2002CVS000880	Henderson	2008-06-16	Defense	
Langwell v. Albermarle Family Practice, PLLC	2004CVS000065	Camden	2008-06-17	Defense	
Boykin v. Wilson Medical Center	2006CVS001705	Wilson	2008-07-21	Defense	
Day v. Brant, MD	2004CVS002917	Iredell	2008-07-25	Defense	

⁴ In Byrd v. Good Hope Hospital, Inc. (Harnett County, 2006 CVS 000980) the trial court granted summary judgment to the plaintiff on liability, and then awarded \$250,000 in damages after a bench trial.

Reid v. Saturn Nursing Home	2007CVS016323	Mecklenburg	2008-09-08	Defense	
Burgess v. Campbell, MD	2003CVS009248	Wake	2008-09-15	Defense	
Battles v. Memorial Mission Hospital, Inc.	2006CVS002099	Buncombe	2008-10-07	Defense	
Ludemann v. Women's Regional Health Care, PA	2007CVS002509	Mecklenburg	2008-10-09	Defense	
Smith v. Shah	2007CVS006315	Cumberland	2008-11-04	Defense	
Witherspoon v. Wilson, MD	2006CVS002902	Iredell	2008-12-19	Defense	
Cummings v. Ortega, MD	2005CVS000894	Harnett	2009-01-05	Defense	
Austin v. Unifour Anesthesia Association, PA	2007CVS000390	Catawba	2009-02-10	Defense	
Martin v. Laney, III, MD	2006CVS002232	Cleveland	2009-02-10	Defense	
Powell v. Rich, MD	2006CVS002638	Wake	2009-02-16	Defense	
Middlemiss v. Way, MD	2007CVS000327	Carteret	2009-03-26	Defense	
Jarrell v. Charlotte-Mecklenburg Hospital Authority	2006CVS009422	Mecklenburg	2009-03-24	Defense	
Flinchum v. Hollander, MD	2007CVS012318	Guilford	2009-03-27	Defense	
Foster v. Piqueras, MD	2008CVS003370	Wake	2009-04-06	Defense	
Cooper v. Cook	2007CVS008193	Wake	2009-04-27	Defense	
Mayton v. McCunniff	2008CVS000815	Forsyth	2009-05	Defense	
Latham v. Johnson Neurological Clinic, Inc.	2007CVS008833	Guilford	2009-05-21	Defense	
Vanhook-Woods v. Carey	2007CVS001636	Orange	2009-06-04	Defense	
Davis v. Rudisill, Jr.	2007CVS000678	Catawba	2009-06-05	Defense	
Carter v. Fishel	2006CVS002844	Union	2009-06-09	Defense	
Morgan v. Little, DMD	2007CVS001623	Buncombe	2009-06-10	Plaintiff	465,000
Goodson v. Wever, MD	2007CVS024758	Mecklenburg	2009-09-03	Defense	
Gilbert v. Gardner, MD	2008CVS000001	Surry	2009-09-08	Defense	
Johnson v. Pinehurst Radiology Group PA	2007CVS000268	Montgomery	2009-09-11	Plaintiff	4,745
Odom v. Aston Park Health Care Center, Inc.	2008CVS002268	Buncombe	2009-10-07	Plaintiff	300,000
Collier v. Wake Forest University Baptist Med. Ctr.	2008CVS004293	Forsyth	2009-11-05	Defense	
Lund v. Blackburn, MD	2006CVS001624	Burke	2009-11-20	Defense	
Lewis v. Battle, MD	2007CVS006536	Wake	2009-12-01	Defense	
Stackhouse v. Wilmington Medical Group PA	2008CVS001382	Columbus	2009-12-08	Defense	

TABLE 4
RESULTS OF TRIALS TO VERDICT OF MEDICAL MALPRACTICE CASES FILED IN NORTH CAROLINA
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Case Name	Case Number	County	Case Disposition Date	Result	Amount of Verdict
Coffee v. Alamance Regional Medical Ctr.	2003CVS001152	Alamance	2005-05-02	Defense	
Smith v. Beaufort County Hospital Association, Inc.	1999CVS000396	Beaufort	2008-06-09	Plaintiff	7,000,000
Lee v. Richardson	2003CVS000328	Bertie	2005-12-28	Defense	
Clark v. Savidge	1999CVS001284	Brunswick	2001-05-07	Defense	
Stress v. Ogron	1998CVS000121	Buncombe	2000-06-14	Defense	
Roberson v. Mountain Radiation	1999CVS001024	Buncombe	2002-04-01	Plaintiff	125,000
Teal v. Theofrastous	1999CVS001116	Buncombe	2000-06-20	Defense	
McCourry v. Humble	2000CVS001531	Buncombe	2002-03-26	Defense	
Finley v. Kittner	2001CVS001418	Buncombe	2003-01-24	Defense	
Ledford v. Reilly	2001CVS002531	Buncombe	2003-03-13	Defense	
Tremble v. Kennerly	2002CVS000571	Buncombe	2004-06-24	Defense	
McGwinn v. Arendale & Asheville Radiology	2002CVS003960	Buncombe	2005-03-15	Defense	
Hogsed v. Pikus	2002CVS004392	Buncombe	2004-12-14	Defense	
Morton v. Roberts	2003CVS003855	Buncombe	2006-03-27	Defense	
Phillips v. Rhoton, MD & Mountain Neurological Center	2005CVS000868	Buncombe	2006-10-27	Defense	
Akins v. Mission St. Joseph's Health System, Inc.	2005CVS001632	Buncombe	2007-06-28	Plaintiff	1
Devereux v. Mission Hospitals, Inc.	2005CVS005513	Buncombe	2008-02-15	Defense	
Battles v. Memorial Mission Hospital, Inc.	2006CVS002099	Buncombe	2008-10-07	Defense	
Morgan v. Little, DMD	2007CVS001623	Buncombe	2009-06-10	Plaintiff	465,000
Odom v. Aston Park Health Care Center, Inc.	2008CVS002268	Buncombe	2009-10-07	Plaintiff	300,000
Pons v. Miller	2002CVS000202	Burke	2004-07-01	Defense	
Lund v. Blackburn, MD	2006CVS001624	Burke	2009-11-20	Defense	
Furr v. Lee	1999CVS001945	Cabarrus	2003-07-31	Defense	
Nelson v. Hunt	2002CVS001350	Caldwell	2004-09-20	Defense	

Langwell v. Albermarle Family Practice, PLLC	2004CVS000065	Camden	2008-06-17	Defense	
Laland v. Busted, MD et al.	2004CVS000662	Carteret	2007-12-14	Defense	
Middlemiss v. Way, MD	2007CVS000327	Certeret	2009-03-26	Defense	
Wilson v. McDougal	1998CVS001224	Catawba	2002-06-05	Defense	
Frye v. Frye Regional Medical Center	1998CVS002692	Catawba	2000-11-13	Plaintiff	592,950
Suarez v. Wotring	1998CVS003189	Catawba	2001-03-27	Defense	
Meraz v. Price	1999CVS002177	Catawba	2002-04-29	Defense	
Foster v. Gerrard	2000CVS001318	Catawba	2001-12-20	Defense	
Fincannon v. Lovin	2000CVS001655	Catawba	2004-04-21	Defense	
Tutherow v. Kessel	2000CVS003562	Catawba	2002-09-26	Defense	
Young v. Graystone	2002CVS002990	Catawba	2004-04-13	Plaintiff	800,000
Hoburg v. Geissele, MD	2005CVS003927	Catawba	2007-11-01	Defense	
Austin v. Unifour Anesthesia Association, PA	2007CVS000390	Catawba	2009-02-10	Defense	
Davis v. Rudisill, Jr.	2007CVS000678	Catawba	2009-06-05	Defense	
Stafford v. Holt	2003CVS000156	Chatham	2004-09-08	Defense	
Graham v. Nerney	1999CVS000026	Cherokee	2001-10-22	Defense	
Youngblood v. Lamboy	2001CVS000579	Cherokee	2003-08-22	Defense	
Spence v. Lipsed	2003CVS000536	Cherokee	2004-10-14	Defense	
Meece v. So, MD	2005CVS000320	Cherokee	2007-07-19	Plaintiff	75,000
Bath v. Gihwala	1998CVS000285	Cleveland	1999-04-28	Defense	
Haynes v. Odell	1998CVS000286	Cleveland	1999-12-17	Plaintiff	650,000
Gillespie v. Tolhurst	1998CVS001097	Cleveland	2000-06-06	Defense	
Gray v. Gammon	2002CVS000075	Cleveland	2004-05-10	Plaintiff	865,000
Martin v. Laney, III, MD	2006CVS002232	Cleveland	2009-02-10	Defense	
Coffman v. Roberson	1998CVS001264	Columbus	2000-10-24	Plaintiff	250,000
Strickland v. Menachem	2000CVS000891	Columbus	2003-08-25	Defense	
Squires v. Sandland	2001CVS000964	Columbus	2004-10-15	Defense	
Norton v. Quionones, MD et al.	2003CVS000494	Columbus	2007-05/23	Defense	
Stackhouse v. Wilmington Medical Group PA	2008CVS001382	Columbus	2009-12-08	Defense	
Harris v. Dunn	1998CVS000572	Craven	1999-05-05	Defense	
Newcome v. Towarnicky	2000CVS002016	Craven	2003-11-10	Defense	
Pogue v. Sinning	2001CVS002310	Craven	2005-07-08	Defense	
Tingle v. Paul	2001CVS002467	Craven	2004-05-17	Defense	
Sessoms v. Gaskins	1999CVS008814	Cumberland	2001-01-17	Plaintiff	4,500,000
McLeod v. Coastal Physician Services	2000CVS003904	Cumberland	2001-09-18	Defense	

Huggins v. Thom	2002CVS003580	Cumberland	2003-10-02	Plaintiff	500,000
Boykin v. Kim	2003CVS001081	Cumberland	2004-06-03	Plaintiff	2,000,000
Scott v. Carter, MD	2005CVS004707	Cumberland	2006-11-15	Defense	
Hardin v. Cumberland County Hospital System, Inc. et al.	2005CVS004376	Cumberland	2007-03-28	Defense	
Sessons v. Lightner et al.	2005CVS009396	Cumberland	2007-10-24	Defense	
Strang v. Poulos, MD et al.	2006CVS000200	Cumberland	2007-11-05	Defense	
Smith v. Shah	2007CVS006315	Cumberland	2008-11-04	Defense	
Harper v. Britthaven, Inc.	2004CVS000537	Dare	2008-03-07	Plaintiff	250,000
Hutchens v. Stambaugh	2001CVS003559	Davidson	2005-03-18	Defense	
Passmore v. Gaccione	2002CVS001170	Davidson	2005-08-08	Defense	
Taylor v. King Group, Inc.	1999CVS001958	Durham	2001-09-17	Defense	
Mancour v. Durham Emergency Physicians, PA	2000CVS000503	Durham	2003-02-11	Defense	
Donato v. Bruch	2003CVS001640	Durham	2005-10-12	Defense	
Kelss v. Murray, MD	2005CVS000646	Durham	2006-06-02	Defense	
Knight v. Temple	1999CVS001358	Edgecombe	2002-09-12	Defense	
Gibson v. Heath	1999CVS002702	Forsyth	2000-06-14	Defense	
Crotts v. Robinson/Davie Healthcare	1999CVS003945	Forsyth	2001-01-05	Plaintiff	302,600
Smith v. Stagg	2000CVS002539	Forsyth	2001-10-18	Defense	
Matthews v. Forsyth County	2001CVS009857	Forsyth	2003-08-05	Defense	
Chaffin v. NC Baptist Hospitals, Inc.	2002CVS001899	Forsyth	2003-07-03	Plaintiff	875,000
Wilmoth v. Bolling	2002CVS005087	Forsyth	2003-11-07	Defense	
Miller v. Forsyth Memorial Hospital d/b/a Piedmont Medical Specialists	2002CVS005141	Forsyth	2003-10-06	Defense	
Yorke, Jr. v. McCaskill-Gainey	2004CVS004099	Forsyth	2005-10-19	Defense	
Dawkins v. Foundation Health Systems Corp.	2005CVS003142	Forsyth	2006-08-07	Plaintiff	1,000,000
Craig v. Wake Forest Univ. Health Sciences et al.	2005CVS005127	Forsyth	2007-02-20	Defense	
Barringer v. Wake Forest Univ. Baptist Med. Ctr. Et al.	2005CVS006781	Forsyth	2007-06-13	Defense	
Davis v. NC Baptist Hospital et al.	2006CVS004004	Forsyth	2007-11-19	Plaintiff	10,437,093
Foster v. Crandell	2004CVS003741	Forsyth	2008-02-06	Defense	
Asbell v. Goco, MD	2006CVS006421	Forsyth	2008-03-11	Plaintiff	2,100,000
Mayton v. McCunniff	2008CVS000815	Forsyth	2009-05	Defense	
Collier v. Wake Forest University Baptist Med. Ctr.	2008CVS004293	Forsyth	2009-11-05	Defense	
Alston v. Britthaven	2001CVS000724	Franklin	2004-05-14	Defense	

Dendy v. Sutton	1998CVS005136	Gaston	2000-12-18	Defense	
Johnson v. Cates	2000CVS001162	Gaston	2001-08-29	Defense	
Sutphins v. Hardigree	2000CVS002566	Gaston	2003-06-17	Defense	
Parker v. Gardner	2002CVS002949	Gaston	2004-12-29	Defense	
Buchanan v. Sales	2002CVS003817	Gaston	2005-02-24	Defense	
Simmons v. Gaston Memorial Hospital, Inc.	2003CVS002784	Gaston	2006-04-13	Defense	
O'Connor v. Mathews	1998CVS003637	Guilford	1999-08-16	Defense	
Dixon v. Vance	2000CVS001687	Guilford	2002-05-20	Defense	
Carducci v. Hardcastle	2001CVS004238	Guilford	2003-11-07	Defense	
Spell v. Longenecker	2001CVS009221	Guilford	2003-08-21	Plaintiff	176,000
Stokes v. HP/Reidsville, Inc.	2003CVS011836	Guilford	2005-12-19	Defense	
White v. Younkin, MD	2004CVS006291	Guilford	2006-03-30	Defense	
Cruise v. Ossey, MD et al. ²	2005CVS010002	Guilford	2007-01-22	Defense	
Swink v. Weintraub, MD & Southeastern Heart & Vascular Ctr.	2005CVS007067	Guilford	2007-03-01	Plaintiff	1,047,732
Proctor v. Guice, MD	2006CVS007146	Guilford	2008-04-29	Defense	
Flinchum v. Hollander, MD	2007CVS012318	Guilford	2009-03-27	Defense	
Latham v. Johnson Neurological Clinic, Inc.	2007CVS008833	Guilford	2009-05-21	Defense	
Hall v. Sanford Surgical Clinic, PA & Beemer, MD	2005CVS001467	Harnett	2007-04-05	Defense	
Byrd v. Good Hope Hospital, Inc. ³	2006CVS000980	Harnett	2007-09-14	Plaintiff	250,000
Cummings v. Ortega, MD	2005CVS000894	Harnett	2009-01-05	Defense	
Seward v. Mulholland & Haywood Family Medicine	2006CVS001400	Haywood	2008-03-08	Plaintiff	270,000
Talton v. Maxwell	1998CVS001067	Henderson	2001-10-03	Defense	
Thompson v. Laurel Health Care Co.	2005CVS000403	Henderson	2007-04-12	Plaintiff	320,000
Hawkins v. SSC Hendersonville Operating Co.	2006CVS000035	Henderson	2007-11-16	Plaintiff	800,000
Whitaker v. Brooks, MD	2002CVS000880	Henderson	2008-06-16	Defense	
Day v. Brant, MD	2004CVS002917	Iredell	2008-07-25	Defense	
Witherspoon v. Wilson, MD	2006CVS002902	Iredell	2008-12-19	Defense	
Parker v. Demir	1999CVS000700	Jackson	2002-10-18	Defense	
Collins v. Rodden ⁴	2000CVS000580	Jackson	2002-02-01	Plaintiff	---

² In Cruise v. Ossey, MD et al. (Guilford County, 2005 CVS 010002) the trial court directed a verdict in favor of the defendants at the close of the plaintiff's evidence.

³ In Byrd v. Good Hope Hospital, Inc. (Harnett County, 2006 CVS 000980) the trial court granted summary judgment to the plaintiff on liability, and then awarded \$250,000 in damages after a bench trial.

⁴ In Collins v. Rodden (Jackson County, 1999 CVS 580) the trial was bifurcated on liability and damages. The case settled for a confidential amount after a jury verdict for the plaintiff on liability.

Heiser v. Ross, MD	2003CVS000335	Jackson	2006-03-13	Defense	
Stroud v. Boyd	2000CVS001307	Johnston	2002-04-11	Defense	
Thomas v. Wake Med	2001CVS001177	Johnston	2003-08-11	Defense	
Whittington v. Vyas and Eastern Carolina Medical Center	2001CVS002440	Johnston	2003-04-03	Defense	
Simmons v. Britthaven, Inc.	2003CVS001765	Johnston	2005-02-11	Plaintiff	140,000
Franklin v. Quorum Health Resources LLC et al.	2004CVS002909	Johnston	2007-03-22	Defense	
Chamberlain v. Sherard	2003CVS000485	Lenoir	2004-10-26	Defense	
Harvey v. McLaughlin	2000CVS001591	Lenoir	2006-02-27	Defense	
Keller v. Habashi, MD et al.	2005CVS001087	Lincoln	2007-04-18	Plaintiff	53,490
Starling v. Kleinsteuber & Smokey Mtn. Healthcare Assoc.	2002CVS000293	Macon	2005-07-14	Defense	
Roberson v. Cannon	1998CVS000043	Martin	2000-11-09	Plaintiff	5,750
Carter v. Taiwo	2002CVS000444	Martin	2004-09-03	Plaintiff	427,500
Garganus v. Bogey, Jr.	2004CVS000047	Martin	2006-03-01	Defense	
Sutton v. Hyman	2003CVS000628	Martin	2008-02-22	Defense	
McKinney v. Croom	2002CVS000759	McDowell	2005-05-10	Plaintiff	290,000
Lynch v. Nalle Clinic Co.	1998CVS007686	Mecklenburg	2000-03-21	Plaintiff	164,000
Flowers v. Horner	1998CVS008003	Mecklenburg	1999-09-01	Defense	
Gregorino v. Char.-Mecklenburg Hospital	1998CVS009367	Mecklenburg	1999-09-09	Plaintiff	1
Johansen v. Reames	1998CVS018331	Mecklenburg	2000-09-13	Defense	
Ford v. Tucker	1999CVS003239	Mecklenburg	2001-10-09	Defense	
Cruz-Segarra v. Presbyterian Hospital	1999CVS008065	Mecklenburg	2001-05-23	Defense	
Barnes v. Daly	1999CVS009225	Mecklenburg	2001-02-19	Plaintiff	8,100,000
Remesi v. Bessent	2000CVS005449	Mecklenburg	2002-09-30	Defense	
Thomas v. Chandler	2000CVS008518	Mecklenburg	2004-02-19	Defense	
Middleton v. Eruchalu	2000CVS009003	Mecklenburg	2002-04-19	Defense	
Freet v. Hicks	2000CVS012476	Mecklenburg	2002-07-18	Defense	
Howie v. Walsh	2000CVS013037	Mecklenburg	2003-07-17	Plaintiff	300,000
Bridges v. Stowe	2001CVS002628	Mecklenburg	2003-06-30	Defense	
Wilson v. Novik	2001CVS012783	Mecklenburg	2004-03-24	Defense	
Gill v. Benson	2001CVS023625	Mecklenburg	2003-01-14	Defense	
May v. Armstrong	2002CVS017416	Mecklenburg	2005-06-16	Defense	
DeVos v. Providence Obstetrics & Gynecology, et al.	2002CVS023006	Mecklenburg	2005-08-04	Defense	

Henson v. Andrews	2002CVS018098	Mecklenburg	2004-06-22	Plaintiff	225,000
Strong v. Carolinas Medical Center	2003CVS019314	Mecklenburg	2005-08-17	Defense	
Reid v. Charlotte-Mecklenburg Hospital Authority	2004CVS000805	Mecklenburg	2005-10-25	Defense	
Hughes v. Rivera-Ortiz	2004CVS001408	Mecklenburg	2005-10-31	Plaintiff	1
Cestrone v. Gill	2002CVS020402	Mecklenburg	2006-03-13	Defense	
Thomas v. Sweet	2003CVS012406	Mecklenburg	2006-08-31	Plaintiff	1,300,000
Edlein v. Floyd DDS PA	2004CVS015972	Mecklenburg	2006-09-05	Defense	
Carter v. Whispering Pines Nursing and Rehab. Center	2004CVS015358	Mecklenburg	2006-12-11	Defense	
McCoy v. Shoaf et al.	2005CVS010683	Mecklenburg	2007-02-26	Defense	
Roemer v. Spagnoli, DDS et al.	2005CVS008345	Mecklenburg	2007-03-21	Defense	
Grant v. Carmel Obstetrics & Gynecology, PA	2004CVS008599	Mecklenburg	2007-09-12	Defense	
Hunter v. Charlotte-Mecklenburg Hosp. Authority	2006CVS005447	Mecklenburg	2008-04-28	Plaintiff	650,000
Hunter v. Charlotte Perinatal Association, PA	2006CVS014757	Mecklenburg	2008-04-28	Defense	
Long v. Rose, DC	2007CVS005119	Mecklenburg	2008-05-27	Defense	
Reid v. Saturn Nursing Home	2007CVS016323	Mecklenburg	200809-08	Defense	
Ludemann v. Women's Regional Health Care, PA	2007CVS002509	Mecklenburg	2008-10-09	Defense	
Jarrell v. Charlotte-Mecklenburg Hospital Authority	2006CVS009422	Mecklenburg	2009-03-24	Defense	
Goodson v. Wever, MD	2007CVS024758	Mecklenburg	2009-09-03	Defense	
Johnson v. Pinehurst Radiology Group PA	2007CVS000268	Montgomery	2009-09-11	Plaintiff	4,745
Salisbury v. Summers	2001CVS000989	Moore	2003-04-21	Defense	
Cramer v. Fritz	2002CVS000140	Moore	2004-06-02	Defense	
Rush v. Mondri, MD	2005CVS001046	Moore	2006-11-28	Defense	
Batchelor v. Boyette	1999CVS001395	Nash	2001-10-02	Defense	
Pitts v. Nash Day Hospital	2001CVS000066	Nash	2002-12-16	Defense	
Liborio v. King	1998CVS000677	New Hanover	2000-05-23	Defense	
North v. New Hanover Regional Medical Ctr.	2000CVS000432	New Hanover	2001-10-22	Defense	
Sellars v. Wilmington Health Associates	2000CVS004122	New Hanover	2003-03-17	Defense	
Willie v. Esposito	2001CVS003854	New Hanover	2002-09-09	Defense	
Segars v. New Hanover Regional Medical Center	2004CVS002034	New Hanover	2006-07-20	Plaintiff	25,000
Phillips v. Pastelas	2001CVS002228	Onslow	2004-08-18	Defense	
Kellum v. Koutlas	2002CVS004021	Onslow	2006-08-02	Defense	
Herbert v. Chappell	1998CVS001126	Orange	2000-09-11	Defense	
Ingalls v. Wilson	2001CVS000401	Orange	2005-05-19	Defense	
Vanhook-Woods v. Carey	2007CVS001636	Orange	2009-06-04	Defense	

Person v. Sturgis	1998CVS000190	Pitt	2000-04-17	Defense	
Spain v. Pitt Memorial Hospital	2000CVS000393	Pitt	2003-10-29	Plaintiff	2,375,000
Halsall v. Walker, Capps, Bowman & Capps	2003CVS002961	Pitt	2006-11-17	Plaintiff	6,000
Barham v. Hawk	2001CVS000072	Polk	2002-03-21	Defense	
Hoke v. NC Health Care Archdale	2001CVS002510	Randolph	2003-05-05	Plaintiff	600,000
Hudson v. Zeidan	1998CVS001318	Richmond	2001-07-11	Plaintiff	80,500
Morgan v. Steiner	2001CVS001413	Richmond	2004-03-02	Defense	
Smith v. Carolina Manor Treatment Ctr.	1999CVS001749	Robeson	2001-03-13	Plaintiff	300,000
Estate of Pruitt v. Recker et al.	2003CVS002730	Robeson	2006-12-15	Plaintiff	1,500,000
Schoolfield v. Jenkins	2003CVS000868	Rockingham	2004-11-24	Defense	
Phyllis B. Richardson v. Administrator of the Estate of Robert Whitt Richard	2002CVS002533	Rowan	2007-03-09	Defense	
Evans v. Rutherford Hospital, Inc.	1999CVS000804	Rutherford	2001-03-02	Defense	
Phillips v. Howard	2005CVS000054	Rutherford	2008-05-30	Plaintiff	500,000
Matthews v. Moss	2003CVS000345	Sampson	2005-11-10	Defense	
Mitchell v. Scotland Health Care Systems	2001CVS000401	Scotland	2003-06-13	Plaintiff	56,000
McLaurin v. Stanly Memorial Hospital	2002CVS000324	Stanly	2006-12-27	Defense	
Gray v. Allen et al.	2005CVS001734	Stanly	2007-08-28	Defense	
Elledge v. Bryan	2001CVS000817	Surry	2004-09-21	Defense	
Gilbert v. Gardner, MD	2008CVS000001	Surry	2009-09-08	Defense	
Greene v. Hoestkrea, MD	2002CVS000324	Transylvania	2006-10-27	Defense	
Carter v. Fishel	2006CVS002844	Union	2009-06-09	Defense	
Jones v. Cathcart	2003CVS000928	Vance	2005-05-06	Defense	
Anderson v. Selden	2000CVS014762	Wake	2003-06-30	Defense	
Johnson v. Jain	2002CVS003468	Wake	2004-05-11	Defense	
Powell v. Quigley	2002CVS016253	Wake	2005-05-10	Defense	
Reynolds v. Taavoni	2002CVS013311	Wake	2005-06-01	Defense	
Lambeth v. Edrington	2003CVS002379	Wake	2005-07-06	Defense	
Squires v. Harmond, MD	2004CVS001803	Wake	2006-04-11	Defense	
Scott v. Albright	2003CVS016111	Wake	2006-10-09	Defense	
Phillips v. Triangle Women's Health Clinic, Inc. & Schnider, MD	1997CVS007293	Wake	2007-03-19	Defense	
Smith v. Zellinger, MD et al.	2004CVS010761	Wake	2007-04-23	Defense	
Williams v. Zebulon Emergency Med. Services, Inc.	2005CVS011122	Wake	2008-01-18	Defense	
Fenner v. Drury, MD	2005CVS017232	Wake	2008-03-10	Defense	

Wilkinson v. Wake Med	2005CVS014508	Wake	2008-05-05	Defense	
Burgess v. Campbell, MD	2003CVS009348	Wake	2008-09-15	Defense	
Powell v. Rich, MD	2006CVS002638	Wake	2009-02-16	Defense	
Foster v. Piqueras, MD	2008CVS003370	Wake	2009-04-06	Defense	
Cooper v. Cook	2007CVS008193	Wake	2009-04-27	Defense	
Lewis v. Battle, MD	2007CVS006536	Wake	2009-12-01	Defense	
Zelch v. Fleming	1998CVS000041	Watauga	1999-06-24	Plaintiff	160,000
Hoffman v. Watauga Medical Ctr.	2000CVS000633	Watauga	2002-07-26	Defense	
Skinner v. Furman	2001CVS000542	Watauga	2003-07-18	Defense	
Jackson v. Garcia	2000CVS001632	Wayne	2001-10-30	Defense	
Stull v. Wayne Memorial Hospital	2001CVS001944	Wayne	2003-11-10	Plaintiff	750,000
Price v. Brenton	2001CVS002565	Wayne	2004-05-24	Defense	
Cutter v. Schupner	2001CVS002678	Wayne	2003-11-17	Defense	
Stafford v. Knutson	2002CVS000636	Wayne	2004-12-02	Defense	
Rhodes v. Atkins	2002CVS003166	Wayne	2005-12-15	Defense	
Davis v. Pedraza	2003CVS000272	Wayne	2005-07-18	Defense	
Blackburn v. Wilkes Regional Medical Ctr.	1998CVS000383	Wilkes	2000-05-05	Defense	
Livingston v. Blackwell	2000CVS001753	Wilkes	2002-05-14	Plaintiff	841,500
Cockrell v. Lemaire	2000CVS001190	Wilson	2002-06-11	Defense	
Taylor v. Whiewell	2002CVS000116	Wilson	2003-11-12	Defense	
Pipkin v. Thurman, MD et al. ⁵	2001CVS001928	Wilson	2004-05-30	Plaintiff	1,750,000
Edmundson v. Lawrence, MD & Eastern Carolina Pediatrics, PA	2002CVS002318	Wilson	2007-02-08	Defense	
Boykin v. Wilson Medical Center	2006CVS001705	Wilson	2008-07-21	Defense	
Jester v. McCummiff	2000CVS000820	Yadkin	2003-03-06	Defense	
O'Mara v. Wake Forest Univ. Health Sciences	2004CVS000298	Yadkin	2005-11-30	Defense	
Constantino v. Cuellar	2000CVS000151	Yancey	2001-08-15	Defense	

⁵ Pipkin v. Thurman, MD et al. (Wilson County, 2001 CVS 001928) was a bench trial.