

## Malpractice Records for RODNEY LEE STEPHENS

Consumers should take the following factors into consideration when evaluating a physician's competence from malpractice data.

- A number of studies have been conducted to identify indicators of substandard care among physicians. There is no conclusive evidence that malpractice data correlates with professional competence.
- There are a variety of factors unrelated to professional competence or conduct which affect the likelihood that a physician will be the subject of a malpractice claim, such as, the physician's time in practice, the nature of the specialty, the types of patients treated, geographic location, etc. For example, certain medical specialties have a higher rate of malpractice claims because of a higher risk inherent to the field of practice.
- Settlements of malpractice cases by insurance companies are sometimes handled as business decisions. In the case of some minor claims, it is less expensive for the insurance company to make a monetary settlement than it is for them to take the case to court. Many times such cases are settled without a finding of fault or admission of guilt on the part of the physician.
- A payment in settlement of a medical malpractice action or claim should not be construed as creating a presumption that medical malpractice has occurred.

<b>Malpractice Record:</b>	<b>Case Detail</b>
Action Type:	Settlement
Loss Date:	4/27/1990
Action Date:	5/3/1991
Amount:	\$8,485
Insurance Company:	CNA
File Number:	42-118042F3
Notes:	NONE
<b>Malpractice Record:</b>	<b>Case Detail</b>
Action Type:	Settlement
Loss Date:	7/28/1988
Action Date:	10/11/1993
Amount:	\$25,000
Insurance Company:	PIE MUTUAL
File Number:	64926
Adjudating Body:	LOGAN CTY CIRCUIT COURT, WV
Case Number of Adjudating Body:	91 C 609
Notes:	NONE
<b>Malpractice Record:</b>	<b>Case Detail</b>
Action Type:	Dismissal
Loss Date:	11/16/1988
Action Date:	4/13/1993
Amount:	0
Insurance Company:	PIE MUTUAL
File Number:	65794
Adjudating Body:	LOGAN CTY CIRCUIT COURT, WV

Case Number of Adjudating Body:	90 C 782
Notes:	NONE
Malpractice Record:	<b>Case Detail</b>
Action Type:	Settlement
Loss Date:	1/8/1980
Action Date:	6/2/1995
Amount:	\$7,500
Insurance Company:	CHUBB-PACIFIC INDEMITY INS CO
File Number:	NO FILE NUMBER LISTED
Notes:	PHYSICIAN REPORTED--1995
Malpractice Record:	<b>Case Detail</b>
Action Type:	Settlement
Loss Date:	2/8/1980
Action Date:	6/2/1995
Amount:	\$50,000
Insurance Company:	CHUBB-PACIFIC INDEMITY INS CO
File Number:	NO FILE NUMBER LISTED
Notes:	PHYSICIAN REPORTED--1995
Malpractice Record:	<b>Case Detail</b>
Action Type:	Settlement
Loss Date:	4/12/1977
Action Date:	6/2/1995
Amount:	\$30,000
Insurance Company:	CHUBB-PACIFIC INDEMITY INS CO
File Number:	NO FILE NUMBER LISTED
Notes:	PHYSICIAN REPORTED--1995
Malpractice Record:	<b>Case Detail</b>
Action Type:	Settlement
Loss Date:	4/4/1990
Action Date:	4/4/1996
Amount:	\$150,000
Insurance Company:	PIE MUTUAL
File Number:	69260
Adjudating Body:	LOGAN CTY CIRCUIT COURT, WV
Case Number of Adjudating Body:	92 C 398
Notes:	NONE
Malpractice Record:	<b>Case Detail</b>
Action Type:	Settlement
Loss Date:	10/5/1998
Action Date:	8/22/2001
Amount:	\$115,000
Insurance Company:	MEDICAL ASSURANCE OF WV

File Number:	100237
Adjudating Body:	KANAWHA CTY CIRCUIT COURT
Case Number of Adjudating Body:	CA 99-C-2257
Notes:	ORDER ON FILE
Malpractice Record:	<b>Case Detail</b>
Action Type:	Dismissal
Loss Date:	4/5/2000
Action Date:	5/16/2007
Amount:	0
Insurance Company:	WOODBROOK CASUALTY
File Number:	113637
Adjudating Body:	KANAWHA CTY CIRCUIT COURT
Case Number of Adjudating Body:	01-C-3552
Notes:	NONE