

# Case settled for \$1.39M

## Man suffered leg injury in car accident in Port Richmond

ADVANCE SUPREME COURT BUREAU

A car passenger who was left with one leg shorter than the other as a result of an accident two years ago has accepted a structured settlement worth \$1.39 million over the remainder of his life, it was reported yesterday.

Darrin Santana of Grasmere, now 25, suffered a fractured right leg that required the installation of a surgical pin. He has been unable to return to his job as a dispatcher for a Manhattan law firm.

Santana, through his lawyer, John G. O'Leary, sued the operator of the car, Stephen Mazzioti, and his mother, Sheila Mazzioti, the car's owner, both of Mariners Harbor.

The plaintiff said Mazzioti lost control of the car early on Feb. 18, 1991, and it crashed into a utility pole at Richmond Terrace and Nicholas Avenue, Port Richmond.

Under the settlement reached with the assistance of Supreme Court Justice Louis Sanguorito, Santana was to receive \$500,000 immediately and the balance over the remainder of his life.

The settlement was reached to begin. The firm of Jackson &

Consumano represented the de-

### Jury awards woman after fall

An Eittingville woman who injured herself when she slipped on ice in front of a neighborhood school was awarded \$212,500 in damages by a jury in the Civil Court, West Brighton, last week.

Diane Bruno's husband, Edward, was awarded an additional \$50,000 for the loss of her services. The question of damages was determined following a two-week trial before Judge Frank V. Pontorio. Last year another jury had determined that the city was fully liable.

The accident took place Jan. 13, 1988 at PS 55, 54 Osborne St. Mrs. Bruno, represented by Ronald

Severino, said she fell backwards, striking her head on the pavement. She suffered a herniated disc, post-concussion syndrome and a jaw injury.

Severino was opposed by Assistant Corporation Counsel Kenneth Wolfe.

ters will each receive \$50,000 for

injuries they suffered in a two-car collision in Great Kills on Oct. 24, 1987.

The sisters, Diane and Suzanna Stora, who were 18 and 19 at the time, suffered neck and back injuries.

Through their lawyers, the firm of Napolitano & Magnoiti, they sued Domino's Pizza in Great Kills and one of its deliverers, Ricky Aragona of Eittingville.

The plaintiffs said Aragona was driving the wrong way on Dewey Avenue, a one-way street, when the collision took place at Miles Avenue. The plaintiffs said they had stopped for a stop sign on Miles Avenue before proceeding

into the intersection. David Palletz represented the pizza firm and Thomas King the driver, who was operating his father's car.