

# Juries Showed Plaintiffs the Love

Ten of the year's biggest plaintiff jury verdicts in California, as reported to VerdictSearch, a *Recorder* affiliate. (This list doesn't take into account post-trial motions or appeals.)

## Exhibits

Contractual fraud suit brought by a venture capital firm against the vice chairman of a credit card processing business  
*Auerbach Acquisition Associates Inc. v. Daily*  
Los Angeles County Superior Court  
Plaintiff firms: O'Donnell & Associates; The Keller Law Firm; Kozberg & Bodell

**\$350 million**

False advertising class action brought by people who bought Avacor, a hair regrowth product  
*Thomas v. Global Vision Products Inc.*  
Alameda County Superior Court  
Plaintiff firms: Law Offices of Scott A. Bursor; Bramson, Plutzik, Mahler & Birkhaeuser; Faruqi & Faruqi

**\$50 million**

Single-plaintiff suit over a motor vehicle accident  
*Bianchi v. Demma*  
Santa Clara County Superior Court  
Plaintiff firms: Malone Law Office; Scarlett Law Group

**\$49.1 million**

Breach of contract suit brought by a maker of robotic catheter systems over licensing rights  
*Hansen Medical Inc. v. Luna Innovations Inc.*  
Santa Clara County Superior Court  
Plaintiff firm: Morrison & Foerster

**\$36.3 million**

Trademark and copyright case over the hosting of alleged counterfeiters' commercial Web sites  
*Louis Vuitton Malletier S.A. v. Akanoc Solutions Inc.*  
Northern District of California  
Plaintiff firm: J. Andrew Coombs

**\$32.4 million**

Multiple-plaintiff suit over a motor vehicle accident  
*Gomez v. State of California*  
Riverside County Superior Court (jury apportioned only 15 percent fault to the state, the only defendant to go to trial)  
Plaintiff firm: Moreno Becerra & Casillas

**\$19.7 million**

Single-plaintiff product liability case over a motor vehicle accident  
*Pierson v. Ford Motor Co.*  
Northern District of California  
Plaintiff firms: The Brandi Law Firm; Doyle Restrepo Harvin & Robbins; Thorsnes Bartolotta McGuire

**\$18.3 million**

Breach of contract suit an RV salesman brought against his former employer over unpaid commissions, among other things  
*Trealoff v. Forest River Inc.*  
San Bernardino County Superior Court  
Plaintiff firm: Baute & Tidus

**\$17.6 million**

Medical malpractice suit over the post-surgery morphine regimen for a patient who suffered brain damage  
*Pritchard v. Coram Healthcare Corp.*  
Los Angeles County Superior Court (jury also found plaintiff 5 percent liable)  
Plaintiff firm: Kenneth M. Sigelman & Associates

**\$16.3 million**

Wrongful death case over 4-year-old's drowning at summer camp  
*Gottesman v. Cathedral Oaks Tennis, Swim and Athletic Club*  
Santa Barbara County Superior Court  
Plaintiff firm: Cappello & Noel

**\$16.2 million**