

Sutliff & Stout, PLLC Obtains Favorable Jury Verdict

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— Houston personal injury law firm [Sutliff & Stout](#), PLLC obtained a jury verdict against Shandrof Burks after a two day trial in the 284th District Court of Montgomery County, Texas. The case stemmed from an accident that occurred on September 13,

Houston & Austin Personal Injury Lawyers 2011 when a teenager was running across the street and was hit by a vehicle. At trial, Sutliff & Stout argued that despite the lighting conditions and the client's actions, the Defendant was in the best position to prevent the collision. Mr. Burks denied liability and he and his insurance company, GIECO, vigorously defended the case arguing that there was nothing Mr. Burks could do to avoid the collision. The jury rejected Mr. Burks argument and found in favor of Sutliff & Stout's client. The jury awarded \$38,128.88 in damages, which represents over sixty times the client's previously incurred medical expenses.

When asked to comment on the jury's verdict in light of GIECO's unreasonably low pre-trial settlement offer of \$1,500.00, Sutliff & Stout, PLLC partner Hank Stout said, "Hopefully this will send a message to GIECO and insurance companies that you can not treat people unfairly because, if you do, the jury will require you to pay fair value on a claim. Had GIECO simply been fair from the outset, our client would have settled this claim long ago."

About Sutliff & Stout, PLLC

Sutliff & Stout, PLLC is a civil litigation firm that focuses on commercial litigation and personal injury. The attorneys at Sutliff & Stout, PLLC have worked for some of the largest, most respected litigation firms in the country, allowing Sutliff & Stout, PLLC to offer the experience and expertise of a large firm combined with the highest quality of service and personal attention inherent in a smaller firm.

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