

#004

From: Patricia Weston Rivera <pwestonrivera@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 26, 2016 10:29 AM
To: Comments Mailbox
Subject: Final Offer Arbitration Pilot Proposal

I am presuming this program applies to slip and fall cases, dogbite attacks, etc.

Some of the insurers routinely offer lowball offers that a responsible counsel cannot accept. They can continue to do that in this process and submit their lowball offer to the program. How could a plaintiff's counsel be assured that this lowball offer would not seem reasonable to the arbitrator-what would be your option to object?

I do like the idea of the program though, will it be applied to auto cases and Essex County soon?

Patricia Weston Rivera, Esq.

pwestonrivera@gmail.com