## Insurance Claims Lawyer J.P. Gonzalez-Sirgo Attends Miami-Dade Justice **Association Luncheon Where** Governor Charlie Crist Was The Keynote Speaker.

Governor Crist was the keynote speaker at the Miami-Dade Justice Association luncheon held on May 28, 2014. Governor Crist spoke about the importance of education and consumer rights, among other things. These are two very important issues facing Florida citizens.



J.P. with Governor Charlie Crist.



## \$240,000 Settlement For Victim Of Trip And Fall Injury

Attorneys Russell A. Dohan and J.P. Gonzalez-Sirgo recover \$240,000 for injured trip and fall victim. Our 43 year old client attended a doctor's visit at a Miami hospital. As our client was walking alongside her mother, who accompanied her to the visit, her mother tripped on something and began to lose her balance. Our client tried to prevent her mother from falling, however, ended up tripping and falling herself as a result of the same condition. When our client, her mother, and other witnesses looked around for the cause of the trip and fall, they saw that the tiles in the hallway (which appeared symmetrical and flat to the naked eye) were actually raised and elevated from the remainder of the floor. Our client was

unable to pick herself up from the floor, and staff members from the medical center came to her aid, including a nurse who stated immediately that "people trip on those tiles there all the time". The security officer who works full time at the premises, testified at this deposition that immediately following our client's fall, he placed a yellow caution sign over the tiles to prevent subsequent falls. The pictures of the scene that were taken prior to the tile repair, also show that duct tape was placed directly over the raised tiles. A couple of weeks following our client's fall, the tiles were repaired and leveled appropriately. Despite several cameras which clearly pointed to the direction of our client's fall, the Defendant represented that they do not have any video surveillance of the fall. Our client suffered a left femur fracture. Immediate surgical intervention was necessary to repair her hip fracture. Our client had an extensive list of preexisting medical conditions and had been previously awarded Social Security Disability benefits for unrelated conditions. Shortly before trial, the case was settled for \$240,000.

## Jury Verdict for Victim of Automobile Crash Who Suffered Spinal Cord Injuries



Attorneys Russell Dohan and J.P. Gonzalez-Sirgo obtained a jury verdict beating State Farm's pre-trial offers in favor of a victim of an automobile crash. Our client was a passenger in a car that was rear ended by a tow truck driver. The driver that caused the crash admitted that he was at fault for the collision but denied the cause and extent of the damages and injuries claimed by our client. Our client claimed spinal cord injuries to her neck and back as caused by the crash. The driver of the tow truck claimed that our client's complaints pre-existed the crash. Our client, in fact, had some pre-existing complaints to go along with other extensive medical problems that were not related to the claimed injuries. After listening to the evidence, the jury awarded an amount in excess of State Farm's pre-trial offers.

Don't quit on your claim just because your insurance company quit on you!

J.P. has built his entire career on protecting the rights of insurance policyholders, personal injury and wrongful death victims and fighting for the rights of Florida consumers and small businesses. Prior to attending law school, J.P. worked as a claims adjuster for a busy independent adjusting firm in Miami where he handled hundreds of claims. Before launching his own law practice in 1994, J.P. worked for a prominent insurance defense firm in Miami. He now uses the insight that he gained working for the insurance industry for the benefit of his clients. J.P. has recovered millions of dollars for victims of denied or underpaid insurance claims, victims of catastrophic personal injuries and wrongful death and on behalf of those that have been taken advantage of by Big Business and Big Insurance. In Miami-Dade County call J.P. at (305) 461-1095 or toll free at (866) 71-CLAIM or fill out the short online contact form at www.YourAttorneys.com.



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