

**CASE INFORMATION SHEET
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COUNTY AND COURT:

CIRCUIT COURT OF THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND
FOR MIAMI DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

NAME OF CASE:

PEDRO CRUZ, and CHRISTINA RUIZ,
Plaintiffs,

v.

NORTH SHORE MEDICAL CENTER, INC., a Florida Corporation; TENET HEALTHCARE
CORPORATION, a Florida Corporation,
Defendants

CASE DOCKET NO.: 17-005207-CA-01

JUDGE: Reemberto Diaz

PLAINTIFF(S) ATTORNEY(S)/TRIAL COUNSEL:

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AGE/SEX/OCCUPATION OF PLAINTIFF OR DECEDENT:

PEDRO CRUZ, Male, 43, Unemployed, Former Registered Nurse
CHRISTINA RUIZ, Female, 44, Unemployed, Former Registered Nurse

FOR WRONGFUL DEATH CASES, PLEASE GIVE AGE AND RELATIONSHIP OF SURVIVORS:

N/A

DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF ACCIDENT OR OCCURRENCE:

12/1/16, North Shore Hospital

CAUSE OF INJURY:

Miscarriage by Plaintiff, CHRISTINA RUIZ

NATURE OF INJURY:

Plaintiffs alleged that the remains of the products of conception were improperly discarded against Plaintiff's request by Defendant after the miscarriage sustained by Christina Ruiz.

PLAINTIFF'S EXPERT WITNESSES:

Ms. Georgia Persky, R.N., MBA, PhD, CLNC
441 Sterling Road
Harrison, NY 10528

Ms. Persky testified that the Hospital failed to have appropriate policies and procedures.

DEFENDANT'S EXPERT WITNESSES:

NONE

DATE OF DIRECTED VERDICT:

January 22, 2019

COMPARATIVE NEGLIGENCE:

N/A

JUDGMENT:

Directed Verdict entered.

DATE OF JUDGMENT:

Directed Verdict Order entered February 19, 2019. Plaintiff has filed a motion for new trial.

DEFENDANT'S OFFER:

\$500,000

PLAINTIFF'S DEMAND:

\$3,000,000

ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS:

Directed Verdict was entered because Plaintiff failed to establish negligent or intentional infliction of emotional distress.

Submitted By: Isaac R. Ruiz-Carus Date: May 20, 2019

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