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Former Auto Dealer Sued Manufacturer, Others - Claimed Cars Diverted - Lost Earnings - Business Failed - Fraud - Unfair Trade Practices - Breach Of Contract - \$3 Million Settlement

Brief Statement of Claim: A former North Carolina automobile dealer sued a manufacturer alleging that, during the late 70s to early 90s when cars made and distributed by the manufacturer were in short supply and high demand, corrupt dealers paid massive bribes to corrupt sales executives working for the manufacturer.

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These bribes induced the executives to divert cars from honest dealers like the plaintiff to bribe-paying dealers, the plaintiff claimed.

The dealer sued the manufacturer and some of the bribe-paying dealers for violations of North Carolina motor vehicle laws, unfair and deceptive trade practices, fraud, breach of contract, breach of covenant of good

faith and fair dealing, civil conspiracy, negligent supervision and retention, and tortious interference with contract.

This former dealer claimed that his business failed because of his failure to receive the correct number of new cars from the manufacturer.

Principal Injuries (in order of severity): Loss of earnings caused by loss of auto dealership

Special Damages: n/a

Tried or settled: Settled

County where tried or settled: The plaintiff prefers to keep the identity of the case confidential.

Case Name and number: *The plaintiff prefers to keep the identity of the case confidential.*

Date Concluded: March 1999

Name of Judge: n/a

Amount: \$3 million

Insurance Carrier: n/a

Expert Witnesses and areas of expertise: n/a

Attorneys for plaintiffs: Don Beskind and Don Strickland of Twigg, Abrams, Strickland and Trehy, P.A., Raleigh

Other Useful Info: n/a

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