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## \$44,700,000 Verdict – Police Misconduct

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A record breaking \$44.7 million dollar verdict was awarded to a young man who suffered life-threatening and permanent injuries following an off-duty Chicago police officer's service weapon discharging into the back of his head. Officer Patrick Kelly was found responsible for shooting the client and the City responsible for failing to investigate its officers and having no early warning system, thus perpetuating this officer's reckless behavior. Kelly was found to be within the top 2-5% of Chicago police officers with the largest number of citizen complaints. This is the largest verdict ever returned in a police misconduct lawsuit involving the city of Chicago and in the state of Illinois.