

## Transfusion: Air Injected Into Line, Large Verdict.

The jury in the Circuit Court, Walworth County, Wisconsin returned a \$27,000,000 verdict for a newborn diagnosed with profound brain damage after a nurse injected air into an IV line to clear blood remaining in the line after a transfusion in the neonatal intensive care unit.

The infant was delivered prematurely by c-section because of the mother's pregnancy-induced hypertension, which the jurors apparently discounted as causative factors apart from the nurse's errors in reaching their verdict. **Bartowitz v. Waukesha Mem. Hosp.**, 2008 WL 5505170 (Cir. Ct. Walworth Co., Wisconsin, May 23, 2008).