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## In the News

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## In Circuit Court

A quadriplegic who suffered severe bed sores while staying at a nursing home has settled his lawsuit against the facility for \$1 million, the plaintiff's attorney said.

Jerzy Wazydrag, 56, developed the pressure ulcers on his tailbone, hips and heels at Alden North Shore in 2001.

The Skokie nursing home contended that the ulcers were an unavoidable side effect of quadriplegic patients.

After his wife had him transferred to another facility in Hinsdale, Wazydrag's skin recovered in a year.

He didn't have any more bed sores when he returned home in 2003.

Wazydrag's attorneys said that Alden was understaffed and inadequately trained. The plaintiff was represented by [Steven M. Levin](#) and [Michael F. Bonamarte IV](#) of Levin & Perconti.

The nursing home was represented by Debra B. Walker and Diane M. Baron of Clausen, Miller P.C. Joseph N. Casciato, a mediator, helped the parties reach the settlement.

William D. Maddux, presiding judge of the Cook County Circuit Court's Law Division, approved the settlement on Thursday.

*Jerzy Wazydrag v. Alden North Shore Rehabilitation and Health Care Center Inc.* , 03 L 006079.