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ALL those certain lots number 1569 and 1570 in the Plan of Lots designated Bear Rocks Plan 11-B described in Plan Book I 0, page 196, situate in Bullskin Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania.

The Complaint asks the Court to decree that title to said real estate is in the plaintiff and to enjoin the defendants and their heirs and assigns, from setting up any title to said real estate and from impeaching, denying, or in any way attacking the plaintiffs title to the same.

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> Fayette County Court of Common Pleas Number: 1602 OF 2019 GD Notice of Action in Mortgage Foreclosure

LSF10 Master Participation Trust, Plaintiff v. Richetrina L. Fullard aka Trina L. Fullard Known Surviving Heir of Millicent Sellers, Jeanette L. Sellers Known Surviving Heir of Millicent Sellers, and Unknown Surviving Heirs of Millicent Sellers, Defendants

TO: Unknown Surviving Heirs of Millicent Sellers. Premises subject to foreclosure: 120 Brant Hoover Street. Belle Vernon. Pennsylvania 15012. NOTICE: If you wish to defend, you must enter a written appearance personally or by attorney and file your defenses or objections in writing with the court. You are warned that if you fail to do so the case may proceed without you and a judgment may be entered against you without further notice for the relief requested by the Plaintiff. You may lose money or property or other rights important to you. You should take this notice to your lawyer at once. If you do not have a lawyer, go to or telephone the office set forth below. This office can provide you with information about hiring a lawyer. If you cannot afford to hire a lawyer, this office may be able to provide you with information about agencies that may offer legal services to eligible persons at a reduced fee or no fee. Pennsylvania Lawyer Referral Service, Pennsylvania Bar Association, 100 South **P.O.** Harrisburg, Street, Box 186, Pennsylvania 17108, (800) 692-7375. McCabe, Weisberg & Conway, LLC, Attorneys for Plaintiff, 123 S. Broad St., Ste. 1400, Philadelphia., PA 19109, 215-790-1010

JUDICIAL OPINION

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF FAYETTE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA CIVIL DIVISION

MICHAEL CARTWRIGHT, Plaintiff,	:	
VS.	:	
HAYLE DENNIS, Defendant	•	No. 2224 of 2017, G.D. Honorable Nancy D. Vernon

OPINION AND ORDER

VERNON, J.

September 27, 2019

Before the Court is a Motion for Partial Summary Judgment filed by Defendant, Hayle Dennis, alleging that Plaintiff, Michael Cartwright, did not sustain "serious injury" under the Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility Law ("MVFRL") such that he would be entitled to recover non-economic damages.

STANDARD OF REVIEW

The standards for ruling on a motion for summary judgment are well-defined and clear. The court can grant summary judgment only in those cases where the record clearly demonstrates that there is no genuine issue of material fact, and that the moving party is entitled to judgment as a matter of law. When considering a motion for summary judgment, the trial court must take all facts of record, and reasonable inferences therefrom, in the light most favorable to the non-moving party. In doing so, the trial court must resolve all doubts as to the existence of a genuine issue of material fact against the moving party and, thus, may only grant summary judgment where the right to such judgment is clear and free from all doubt. See Summers v. Certainteed Corporation, 997 A.2d 1152 (Pa. 2010); Toy v. Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, 593 Pa. 20, 928 A.2d 186 (2007).

Whether an injury is sufficiently serious to overcome the limited tort threshold of a motor insurance police is a threshold determination that shall not be made routinely by a trial court judge unless reasonable minds could not differ on the issue of whether a serious injury has been sustained. Washington v. Baxter, 719 A.2d 733, 740 (Pa. 1998). Thus, the determination shall be made by the jury in all but the clearest of cases. Id.

STATEMENT OF THE CASE

Plaintiff and Defendant were involved in a motor vehicle accident on April 22, 2017, on Route 119 in Point Marion, Fayette County, Pennsylvania. On that date, Plaintiff's automobile insurance policy was provided by Progressive Insurance and he had elected the "limited tort" option. In his Complaint, Plaintiff alleges Defendant's

negligence caused the collision and his resultant injuries. Plaintiff makes no claim for lost wages.

As to those injuries, Plaintiff reported "tingling" and soreness immediately following the accident. He was seen and released from the emergency room of Ruby Memorial Hospital on the day of the accident. Plaintiff received follow-up care from an orthopedic surgeon, primary care physician, and chiropractor. Plaintiff complained of neck and knee pain and tingling/numbness as a result of the accident. Plaintiff underwent an MRI and an EMG. Cervical injections were recommended by his doctor for the numbness, but Plaintiff declined the treatment.

Dr. Lance Yarus, Plaintiff's expert witness, opined that his prognosis "[r]emains guarded" and that he

did sustain a severe and permanent impairment of function in regard to the cervical spine, right SI joint, and left knee as a result of the subject incident motor vehicle accident in which he was involved, April 22, 2017. There is permanency to the injuries sustained in that he is no longer enjoying the same lifestyle, level of comfort nor full use of cervical spine, right SI joint, and left knee to which he was accustomed prior to sustaining the injury, April 22, 2017.

DISCUSSION

The Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility Law ("MVFRL") addresses the circumstances under which individuals carrying automobile insurance issued in Pennsylvania may sue for certain damages. There is no dispute that Plaintiff elected the limited tort on his automobile insurance policy. Under §1705(d) of the MVFRL,

Each person who elects the limited tort alternative remains eligible to seek compensation for economic loss sustained in a motor vehicle accident as the consequence of the fault of another person pursuant to applicable tort law. Unless the injury sustained is a serious injury, each person who is bound by the limited tort election shall be precluded from maintaining an action for any non-economic loss [...].

Hence, given Plaintiff's election of the limited tort option, he is precluded from recovering for non-economic damages unless he can show that he sustained a serious injury. "Serious injury" is defined as "[a] personal injury resulting in death, serious impairment of body function or permanent serious disfigurement." 75 Pa.C.S.A. §1702.

The focus of inquiry of whether a plaintiff sustained a "serious injury" is not on the injuries themselves, but rather, the inquiry must be the effect of the injury on a body function. Robinson v. Upole, 750 A.2d 339 (Pa.Super. 2000). Several factors must be considered to determine if the claimed injury is a "serious injury" for purposes of the limited tort option threshold for recovery: (1) the extent of the impairment; (2) the length of time the impairment lasted; (3) the treatment required to correct the impairment; and (4) any other relevant factors. Graham v. Campo, 990 A.2d 9 (Pa.Super. 2010). An impairment need not be permanent to be "serious." Cadena v. Latch, 78 A.3d 636 (Pa.Super. 2013).

The consequences of an injury must involve serious impact for an extended period of time on the insured's life and must interfere substantially with the insured's normal activities rather than impose only mild or slight limitations in order to meet the threshold of serious injury. See, e.g., Murray v. McCann, 658 A.2d 404 (Pa.Super. 1995). Thus, whether an injury is sufficiently serious requires more than mere evidence that the insured suffered any injury, but rather the insured must show that he has suffered a serious injury such that a body function has been seriously impaired. Washington v. Baxter, 719 A.2d 733, 741 (Pa. 1998).

In support of her argument that Plaintiff did not suffer a serious injury, Defendant cites that Plaintiff's x-rays, MRI, and EMG results show that he did not suffer a traumatically induced injury from this accident, that he declined treatment for his ongoing complaint of numbness in his hands, and that his current complaints of limited pain and minor limitations are not enough to satisfy the limited tort threshold. Defendant further cites that Plaintiff did not miss work and was actually promoted during this time.

The medical report issued by Dr. Lance Yarus, combined with Plaintiff's medical record sufficiently details the injuries sustained allegedly as a result of the collision, including extent of the impairment, the treatment required to correct the impairment, and the length of time the impairment will remain.

The determination of whether a plaintiff has suffered a serious injury should be made by the jury in all but the clearest of cases. Washington, supra. However, if reasonable minds cannot differ on the issue of whether a serious injury was sustained, a trial court may make the determination, and thus, grant a motion for summary judgment on that issue. Id.

Here, based on the medical evidence of record, reasonable minds could disagree whether Plaintiff sustained a serious injury and, as such, this determination should be left to a jury. Accordingly, we must deny the Motion for Partial Summary Judgment.

WHEREFORE, we will enter the following Order.

ORDER

AND NOW, this 27th day of September, 2019, upon consideration of the Motion for Partial Summary Judgment filed by Defendant, Hayle Dennis, it is hereby ORDERED and DECREED that the Motion is DENIED.

BY THE COURT: NANCY D. VERNON, JUDGE

ATTEST: Nina Capuzzi Frankhouser Prothonotary

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