

## Bouncer's \$417,000 payout

A BOUNCER who was pushed through a glass door at a country hotel yesterday won \$417,000 in an out-of-court settlement.

Robert Lauder, 46, was hurt after falling through the door while restraining a rowdy patron.

Mr Lauder, formerly of Traralgon, sued the former operators of the Railway Hotel in Elmore.

Lee Flanagan last night said his client had been unable to work since the accident at 1am on January 15, 1994.

Mr Flanagan said Mr Lauder had been trying to break up a fight when a drunk patron broke free and elbowed him.

"The door should have been fitted with safety glass," he said.

Mr Flanagan alleged the hotel failed to comply with Victorian building regulations.

The hotel did not admit liability.