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Jury awards damages to punched man

Jordan Lyon, 27, of Niantic has been awarded \$35,772.54 in compensatory damages plus \$8,800 in punitive damages by a Macon County Circuit Court jury for injuries he received during an assault Dec. 23, 2006.

The defendant in the case, Clint McLeod, punched Lyon in the face, fracturing his orbital bones. The damage required reconstructive surgery and left Lyon with medical bills exceeding \$28,000.

In an earlier criminal proceeding, McLeod pleaded guilty to a felony battery charge. He was placed on two years' probation and

ordered to pay restitution for the medical bills.

Lyon was represented by Decatur attorney William Faber.