

1 **13-1807A. Loss of enjoyment of life.**

2 The loss of enjoyment of life experienced [and reasonably certain to be experienced in the
3 future] as a result of the injury.

4 No fixed standard exists for deciding the amount of these damages. You must use your
5 judgment to decide a reasonable amount to compensate the plaintiff for the loss of enjoyment of
6 life.

7 USE NOTES

8 This is another portion of the general damages instruction that is to be inserted in the
9 appropriate blank in UJI 13-1802 NMRA in the proper case.

10 [Adopted by Supreme Court Order No. 13-8300-021, effective for all cases pending or filed on or
11 after December 31, 2013.]

12 **Committee commentary.** — These damages are in addition to and separate from the
13 nonpecuniary damages for pain and suffering that the plaintiff must newly endure as the result of
14 [~~his or her~~] the plaintiff's injury. See [~~*Sena v. New Mexico State Police*~~] *Sena v. N.M. State Police*,
15 1995-NMCA-003, 119 N.M. 471, [~~832 P.2d 604~~] 892 P.2d 604; *Couch v. Astec Industries, Inc.*,
16 2002-NMCA-084, ¶¶ 19-20, 132 N.M. 631, 53 P.3d 398. This instruction is not to be given in
17 wrongful death cases, as UJI 13-1830 NMRA already enumerates the various elements of damage
18 which may be recovered upon the wrongful death of an individual.

19 [Adopted by Supreme Court Order No. 13-8300-021[~~, effective for all cases pending or filed on~~
20 ~~or after December 31, 2013~~]; as amended by Supreme Court Order No. S-1-RCR-2025-00126.]

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