

# COMPLETE AUTO ACCIDENT GUIDE

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## DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT TO DO IF YOU ARE INVOLVED IN AN AUTO ACCIDENT?

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### STEPS TO FOLLOW

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**First**, contact your attorney. You can speak with one of our staff members during office hours, Monday to Friday, 8 am to 5 pm.

Call **(229) 432-9310** or call toll free at **(866) 435-4878**. If you call after hours, rest assured, someone will get back to you as soon as possible.



Do not talk to anyone, including your insurance company, about your accident/injury without speaking to your attorney. We advise that you ask for identification from anyone who tries to talk to you about your injury. If someone talks to you about your case or tries to reach an agreement, do not give them any information. Direct all communication to your attorney with the number provided. Notify our office immediately if someone tries to contact you.

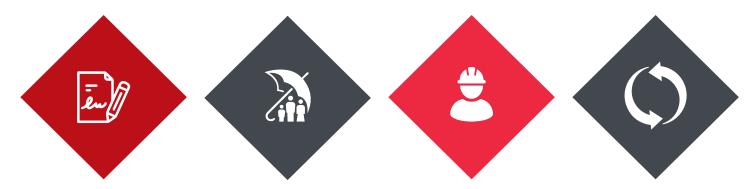
Never forget that Insurance Company Attorneys are predators. Their only job is to reduce the amount of your claim.

NO EXCEPTIONS!



Keep your attorney informed of anything that might affect your case.

#### **Contact your attorney before:**



- Signing Any Document
- Applying for insurance benefits.
- Applying for disability or workman's comp
- Changing doctors, Returning to work, Making any changes to your treatment

#### REPORT ANY OF THE ABOVE TO YOUR ATTORNEY



Keep a record of all the days that have to be taken off work due to your accident or injuries.

It's very important that you and your employer complete and sign the **Loss of Salary Form** and return it to your attorney to make a claim for lost wages.



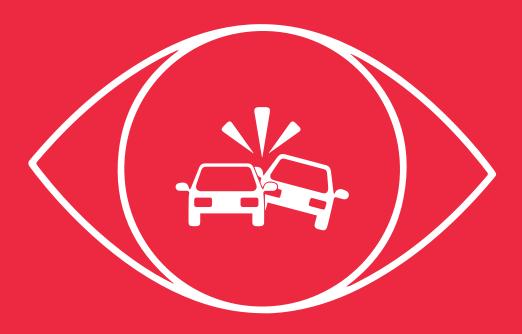
You must go to all of your doctor's appointments.

Always tell your doctor if you are in pain. Be sure that you provide the name, phone number, and addresses of all the doctors treating you. If your Accident requires any hospital stays, be sure to notify your attorney as soon as possible.

## REFUNDABLE 8 EXPENSES

Keep track of all expenses relating to your accident, including but not limited to; **transportation costs**, **prescriptions**, **and other out-of-budget expenses**.

**Provide the name and contact information** of all witnesses to your attorney immediately.



# O8. KEEP ALL DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT



If your injuries require a cast, neck brace, or other medical equipment, you must wear it until your doctor tells you otherwise. It is very important that you comply with your doctor's orders. Please notify your attorney of your required treatment for your case file.









### PICTURES & EVIDENCE









**Provide your attorney with photos** of your car, the scene of the accident, bruises, scars, or any other injury and damage resulting from the accident as soon as possible.

# 10. CHANGE OF CONTACT INFO



Notify your attorney immediately of any address, phone number, or workplace changes.

Please keep your attorney and the team informed of times that you will not be available and provide the office with your emergency contact's name and number should we need to reach you.

# SOME OF OUR CASE RESULTS

CASE RESULTS:

\$3.8 Million

Confidential v. International Transit, Superior Court Dougherty County, cv-2423-2 Settled after failed mediation

Practice Area: Trucking Accident
Outcome: Settled after failed mediation

\$3.8 million

Description: Tractor Trailer driver, high on pain killers, drove on the wrong side of the road on HWY 19, Albany, Ga. Slammed head-on in to client's van. Broke both femur and knees. Hotly contested over parent corporation as a named party. Former CEO executive secretary was found through an ad in a JAX paper. She turned over a multitude of documents demonstrating daily control by the parent, as well as a picture of the shredder she was supposed to use to destroy those documents.

VERIFY

CASE RESULTS:

#### \$2.6 Million

Confidential v Ga. DOT, Superior Court of Randolph County, CV 046 Jury trial

Practice Area: Construction &

Development

Outcome: \$2.6 million.

Description: Tractor trailer was hit by plaintiff's car at an intersection outside of Cuthbert Ga. The intersection had poor sight distance for the direction that the plaintiff's were traveling in. They could not see traffic coming from their right side. The DOT was sued for a design defect. Three experts testified for the defense and one for the plaintiff The tractor trailer was speeding, according to the black box info. Plaintiff's husband of 40 yrs died and she suffered multiple broken bones and slight brain injury. Verdict of over \$3 million was capped at \$1 mil person,. The trucking company ins company paid over their limits of \$1 mil. Jury awarded \$2.2 million for surviving widow and \$695,000 for death.

CASE RESULTS:

#### \$2 Million

Confidential v. Blanco, et al, Superior Court of Dougherty County, cv-2001-1

Summary Judgement

Practice Area: Car Accidents

Outcome: \$2 million policy limits of employer and \$25k from driver's carrier

Description: The plaintiff's decedent was driving a moped when a car driven by the defendant turned in front of him. The plaintiff died instantly, leaving a family and a special needs child. Hotly contested over the issue of whether the driver was on a mission for his employer. Employer argued that he was on his lunch break. Driver only maintained minimum limits on his policy and was a judgement proof illegal alien.

Prevailed on Summary Judgment against

employer.
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