

## With So Many Law Firms to Choose from, How Do You Decide Who to Select if You or a Loved One Has Been Seriously Injured?

Choosing the right attorney can have a substantial effect on the results of your personal injury claim. Since 1959 Finkelstein & Partners, LLP has been dedicated to helping those who have suffered a serious injury or unexpected death as a result of another's negligence.

We are injury attorneys; that is all we do. Our attorneys have the resources and experience to fight tenaciously to obtain the compensation you deserve and need to get back to living a full life.



We also understand that monetary compensation is not your only worry right now. Our attorneys and support staff will answer your questions and help you through every step of the process. Most important, we promise to treat you and your case with the individual attention and courtesy you deserve.



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## PERSONAL INJURY LAWSUITS

# SERIOUSLY INJURED AS A RESULT OF SOMEONE ELSE'S CARELESSNESS?

## YOU MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO SEEK MONETARY DAMAGES.

**A CLIENT GUIDE**



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## What is a Personal Injury Lawsuit?

A personal injury can occur anywhere: in your car, at work, in the hospital, at a restaurant, or simply walking down the street.

Personal injury lawsuits are intended to obtain compensation for past and future medical bills, lost wages and pain and suffering. The most common personal injury lawsuits involve car or truck collisions, work-related injuries, defective products and negligence or malpractice. The injuries resulting from these scenarios can severely impact a person's future due to disabling head and brain injuries, spinal cord injuries, knee injury or paralysis, broken bones or chronic pain. Even dog bites can cause serious injury.



## Why Do You Need an Attorney?

Because you deserve a fair settlement, and many people do not receive the fair treatment they deserve after being injured. They trust insurance companies to treat them fairly, but insurance companies want to pay you no more than they have to for your claim. We are injury attorneys; that is all we do. We have successfully settled thousands of cases. We investigate the claim, know the law, follow the correct procedures and stand our ground when we have to get a fair settlement. **That is why insurance companies settle over 97% of our cases.**



## Your Legal Team

We are committed to providing our clients with unparalleled legal expertise, excellent representation, and personal attention. Our clients are our top priority and we strive to meet every need in a timely fashion. To achieve that goal, we assign a Case Manager to each client. The Case Manager is a legal professional who will walk you through every step of your case and answer any questions you might have along the way.



## How Much is Your Case Worth?

At the beginning of a personal injury claim there are too many unknown factors to answer this question, such as:

- The result of investigations
- Which insurance company is on the other side
- The amount of the defendant's insurance coverage
- The full extent of your physical injuries
- The full extent of your lost wages and medical expenses

When we think an offer is fair we will advise you. If we believe you are not likely to get more money by going forward in your lawsuit we will recommend that you settle.



## How Long Will Your Case Take?

We do not control the length of the process, but we will not attempt to settle your case until we know the full extent of your injuries. Once your doctors have the results from the necessary tests and have advised you of the full extent of your injuries, we will try to settle your case.

Unfortunately, insurance companies do not always offer a fair settlement. When they do not, we will start a lawsuit on your behalf. If we do start a lawsuit, the time it takes to reach conclusion will depend upon the judge assigned to your case. However, we will take advantage of every opportunity to settle your case fairly, quickly and without a trial.



## How Will You Know the Status of Your Case?

You will be provided with the direct phone numbers and email addresses of your case manager and attorney and are free to call them at any time with questions.

We also offer Cyberfile; our secure, web-based case management system. When you sign up for Cyberfile you will be sent an email each time your file is updated and you can track the progress of your case any time, day or night.



## Attorney Fees

There is no legal fee unless we are successful in recovering money on your behalf. If the case is favorably resolved, Finkelstein & Partners, LLP receives one third of the net settlement as a fee.\* If you decide to retain Finkelstein & Partners, LLP you will be provided with a Retainer Agreement that you must read carefully and sign. We are required to file a "retainer statement" with the NYS Office of Court Administration indicating that the firm is representing you.



## Disbursements and Expenses

Disbursements and expenses are monies that Finkelstein & Partners, LLP will arrange to be paid on your behalf during your case in order to advance your claim. At the end of the case the firm is reimbursed by deducting these costs from the gross settlement. We do this so that you do not have to pay for your expenses out of your own pocket ahead of time.



## You're Not Alone

We understand that an injury affects not only the injured person, but their family as well. It can be a painful, stressful time, but we can help.

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