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How Long Will I Have to Wait For My Case to Settle?

Sticking it out for the “long run” is always a good idea. The “long run” is just a collection of short runs you have to put up with. However, saying to yourself you can stay the course doesn’t exempt you from all the nonsense the insurance companies will throw at you during the life of your case.

There will be setbacks in your case. The discovery process of answering interrogatories and having your deposition taken can be very time consuming. So can getting the proper medical records and medical expert reports. Insurance companies will delay the resolution of your case. They will ask for continuances. They may attempt to delay mediation or trial.

Long term thinking can also be a deceptive safety blanket that people assume lets them bypass the unpredictable and sometimes

painful short run. But the longer your case takes, the more you will have to deal with. There’s no way around that.

Your belief in the long run isn’t enough. You need the support of your “support network.” Typically, but not always, that can be your spouse. He or she must be willing to sign on for the ride. If you have the guts to stick it out but your spouse doesn’t that could end up short changing your case. You don’t want to settle too soon. By the same token, if and when your case goes to a mediation or settlement conference, you want your spouse or other support members available so that you may help you take advantage of a good settlement offer.

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OUR MISSION AT CARPEY LAW

“We empower people to make informed decisions about their legal case.”

Here at Carpey Law we strive to stand out from the “other” law firms by offering advice and direction to anyone who calls our office with a legal issue. Truth is, not all law firms operate like we do. If we can’t help you directly, we’ll do our best to find you someone who can. As a client once told us, “Carpey Law is the information resource for accident victims in Pennsylvania”. We live by that every day.

If you know anyone who has a legal issue or question, give them this newsletter and tell them to give us a call. We’ll help any way we can.

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LAURA CARPEY'S RECIPE OF THE MONTH

The Best Ginger Lemonade Drink

INGREDIENTS

- Fresh Peeled and Chopped Ginger (1 piece)
- 1 cup/240ml freshly squeezed lemons (5 Lemons)
- 5 cups Cold Water
- 1/2 cup of sugar
- Ice for serving
- Sliced lemons and mint for garnish (optional)

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Peel and chop the ginger then transfer to the food processor or blender with a cup of water. It doesn't have to be smooth. Then transfer to a sieve to remove the chunks catching the liquid from the ginger.
2. Add the freshly squeezed lemon juice to a large pitcher with a cup of ice. Add 3 cups of cold water and the ginger juice. Depending on how sweet you like your lemonade you can adjust the water by adding more or less.
3. Dissolve the sugar into a one cup of hot water and pour into pitcher which should contain the lemon juice and ginger juice mix.
4. Stir and Refrigerate until ready to serve
5. Pour lemonade over ice filled glasses



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The Nightmare Deposition (for the defendant)

Recently, I took a deposition (which is a sworn statement under oath in front of a court reporter, pretty normal occurrence in any case once it's in suit) of the driver of the car that rear-ended my client. This guy was insured with State Farm, and he had his State Farm attorney sitting next to him during the entire deposition (which is also normal). What wasn't normal was how embarrassingly bad this guy did at his deposition. He could barely answer a question, couldn't remember much about anything, when he did answer he contradicted what he had said earlier. It was bad. On top of that, when I asked him if he remembered answering the interrogatories in the case (because what he said in the interrogatories did not match what he was saying at his deposition) he had no recollection of ever answering them, or ever even discussing them with his attorney, despite the fact that his attorney had him sign a separate page verifying that he did

answer the interrogatories. (It's normal to answer interrogatories with your lawyer. It's not normal for the lawyer to type up the answers, not go over them with the client, but have the client sign off saying he did answer them). Needless to say, this State Farm insured represented by a State Farm attorney was not too happy with State Farm or his State Farm attorney when I was finished with him.

At Carpey Law, we like to do things a bit differently. We answer interrogatories with our clients. We go over the entire case with our clients and fully prepare them for their deposition. Our clients don't get confused at depositions.

Insurance companies treat their insureds like premium paying numbers.

We don't.

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Your Turn To Ask Questions!

Any thoughts, ideas, or questions come to mind while reading the Carpey Law newsletter? We want to hear them! Email Stuart directly at scarpey@carpeylaw.com



Reminder About Our Firm's Communication Policy

About us: We perform very high quality legal work. We are highly competent and we have a highly competent support staff, but we are not perfect. We can make mistakes. We will correct a mistake if we find it or if you point it out.

It is our policy to return phone calls in the order they are received and based on the priority of the situation. If you leave a message, your call will be returned usually within 24 hours. Some clients feel that calling multiple times in a day will get their call answered faster, but that is not the case. Email is the quickest way to get a response from anyone in the office.

We work by appointment only. Without an appointment, it is unlikely Mr. Carpey would be able to meet with you.

Please utilize our support staff to answer your questions and to give you status reports. Our legal assistants and paralegals are very experienced and will often be able to respond to your requests.



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