

Risks of Not Hiring an Attorney After a Minor Crash

1. You May Not Receive Adequate Compensation for Injuries

Many people fail to call an auto accident attorney because they don't think their injuries are very bad, but there are many significant injuries from car accidents that fly under the radar.



2. You May Not Receive Adequate Compensation for Property Damages

Property damage disputes can get sticky. For example, you may get a repair bill for your car that ends up exceeding the original estimate, and the other driver's insurance may refuse to pay the difference. An attorney can make sure you are not left paying for damages caused by the other driver.

3. The Other Side Could Change Their Story and Sue You

Let's say that you have a friendly interaction with the other driver, then walk away from the crash scene. The next thing you know, the other driver has changed their story and is suing you. It's a nightmare scenario, but it happens. An attorney can make sure you have the right evidence to defend yourself against falsehoods.



4. You Could Miss Important Evidence

Experienced car wreck attorneys understand what kind of evidence wins car wreck cases. The average person may not. An attorney can help you gather the most compelling evidence from the get-go so that you can win your case.

5. You Could Say the Wrong Thing to the Insurance Company

Insurance companies have one goal: to protect their bottom line. They may catch you in a weak moment and get you to admit to something that could hurt your case. An attorney can be the go-between, speaking to the insurance company so that they don't take advantage of you.



6. You Could Miss Out on Compensation That You Are Legally Entitled To

Because attorneys understand the full scope of car accident law, they know what benefits you may be eligible for. Nevada is a comparative negligence state, so if the other party was partially at fault, they can be held financially accountable (as long as you were not more than 50% at fault in the accident).

7. You Could Miss Important Filing Deadlines

In Nevada, you must report a car accident to the DMV within 10 days of the crash, or have a police officer report it for you. If you choose to file a claim, you have two years from the date of the accident to do so. An attorney can help ensure you meet deadlines and avoid delays that could affect your case.

