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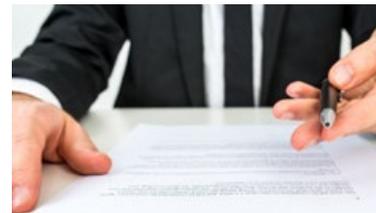


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Be Extra Careful Signing That Settlement Release

If you've negotiated with the insurance company on your own, agreed on a settlement amount and are about to sign a settlement release, there are some key things you need to be aware of:

First, there are certain rights you are likely giving up. For instance, let's say that in a few months you discover that you need further legal action to help pay for injuries from your accident, and you decide that you need to hire an attorney. Odds are, as a result of the signed settlement release that's in place, there will be little – if anything – that can be done, even with an attorney on your side.



The reason for that is because a settlement release is a document that finalizes your accident claim. Essentially, you agree to terminate your claim, and in exchange, the insurance company agrees to pay the settlement amount that was negotiated.

Problem is, most settlement releases are written in a way that precludes you from reopening the case or filing an additional lawsuit for your injuries. You may be able to obtain an open-ended settlement release that would enable you to file for compensation for future medical expenses, but those types of releases are rare.

So, what's the big takeaway here? If you're about to sign a settlement release, you must read every word of the document and clearly understand exactly what your rights are moving forward and what you're agreeing to. And, you have to be sure that the settlement amount covers not only your current medical expenses, but also any potential future expenses. 

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) recently announced a recall of over 130,000 Polaris RZR recreational off-highway vehicles (ROVs) because of concerns that the vehicles can catch fire while being driven, posing fire and burn hazards to both drivers and passengers.

The recalled vehicles are the Polaris Model Year 2013-2016 RZR 900 and RZR 1000 ROVs.

Consumers are urged to immediately stop using the recalled ROVs and to contact their Polaris dealer for a free repair.

According to the CPSC, Polaris has received more than 160 reports of fires with the recalled RZR ROVs, resulting in one death of a 15-year old-passenger from a rollover that led to a fire, and 19 reports of injuries, including first, second and third degree burns.

For more information regarding the recall, consumers can contact Polaris at 800-POLARIS or 800-765-2747 from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. CT Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. CT Saturday and Sunday, or online at polaris.com by clicking on "Off-Road Safety Recalls" on the main page of the Polaris website. 





The Miley Legal Group and WBOY TV Announce the Winners of the *Celebrating Volunteers* Award Program

Dr. Lou Ortenzio

with Celebrate Recovery at the Clarksburg Baptist Church



WBOY's Gretchen Ross, Dr. Lou Ortenzio, and Doug Miley

"Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered program with foundations firmly established in Biblical truth," is the description found on the national Celebrate Recovery website (celebraterecovery.com). You can find the program locally at the Clarksburg Baptist Church, with its director, Dr. Lou Ortenzio. Dr. Ortenzio has had personal experience in recovery, as he witnessed first hand with himself the devastation that an addiction to drugs can create. In losing his medical license and hitting rock bottom, Dr. Ortenzio reached out to Christ to push forward into recovery. What he realized was that others needed this assistance, and in order to provide it, Celebrate Recovery was brought to a local church and has blossomed from there. Celebrate Recovery's "Road to Recovery" is based on eight principles that begin with the belief in God and that He is an integral part of the recovery process. Through the power of Jesus Christ, healing can begin for those that struggle with addiction.

Dr. Ortenzio's role in Celebrate Recovery is to further pursue the goals of the organization in assisting those in need within our community. Clarksburg and much of North Central West Virginia is facing a drug scourge that seems to be growing in scope. Celebrate Recovery is attempting to meet those needs through God and those putting forth his teachings. Dr. Ortenzio's dedication to the program has led to the assistance and recovery of hundred of individuals and continues to make a difference within our community. That is why, he was chosen among the many nominations to be this month's *Celebrate Volunteer* award winner.

Along with the Celebrate Recovery program, Dr. Ortenzio has also worked and continues to work with the Harrison County Day Reporting Center, the Clarksburg Mission, Health Access of Harrison County and the group he started in 2014 called Prevention, Intervention, Treatment and Recovery (PITAR). These are just a few among the many organizations that Ortenzio volunteers and spends his free time with. Working to assist those that struggle is one of the most important tasks that he sees in his day to day work.

"I want others to learn the Good News of Jesus Christ and to get the freedom that I did," Dr. Ortenzio said. "It is through volunteering with Celebrate Recovery at Clarksburg Baptist Church and around the state as a state representative for CR that I am able to do that. I can even carry the Christ through CR message into our Day Report Center, to those facing criminal charges, those in jails and prisons and those coming out of incarceration."

"Assisting those in need is a priority for all of the volunteers we have recognized over the past few months. Dr. Ortenzio exemplifies this in his work and through Celebrate Recovery," Gretchen Ross of WBOY stated. "He has taken his life experience and provided positive outcomes for many in our region. His work plays an important role in our state's fight against the drug epidemic that has placed a stranglehold on so many families."

"As an elected member of the House of Delegates, I see first hand the extent of the drug problem we have all over the state, as a member of the community I see how volunteers, such as Dr. Ortenzio, work hard to fight it's effect on our families," said Tim Miley, owner of The Miley Legal Group. "In honoring him, we are shining more light on the difficulties of recovery and the horrific impact that drugs have on our state. We must continue to find ways to help those in need recover and become productive members of our society."



The *Celebrating Volunteers* awardees receive public recognition for not only themselves, but their organization. They also receive a \$500 contribution to the organization they represent in their name. Gretchen Ross of WBOY TV and Tim Miley of The Miley Legal Group work together to select the awardee from the many nominations received from the public. The volunteer selected will have demonstrated their commitment to an organization through volunteerism and support.

"I am an avid supporter of volunteerism in our communities," Miley stated. "The *Celebrating Volunteers* program is a way that we can recognize the hard work and dedication of individuals across our region."

We look forward to recognizing a number of worthy individuals while giving their organizations a part of the spotlight. The program will continue recognizing volunteers throughout the coming year. In order to nominate a volunteer to receive this award, please visit MileyLegal.com and click on the *Celebrating Volunteers* logo.

For more information on Celebrate Recovery, please visit CelebrateRecovery.com.

Client Victories

- ✓ A client involved in a head-on collision contacted our office for assistance with his property damage claim and to move the insurance company along. After further review, our client had outstanding medical bills that needed to be taken care of as well, after all was said and done, we reached an amicable settlement with the insurance company that took care of all his needs.
- ✓ A medical malpractice case settled with the doctor taking responsibility for the damage caused to our client's internal organs during surgery. Initially the doctor and hospital took no responsibility until we were able to provide direct medical evidence of the damage and when it occurred.
- ✓ "The Miley Legal Group kept me informed on every aspect of my case and made extra sure I understood everything. They treated me with the utmost respect and patience as if I was family. Thank you!" Zachary G., Car Accident Victim

Stuffed Zucchini: Eat the bounty of your garden!

Ingredients:

- 3 zucchini
- 1 lb. pork sausage
- 1 cup dry bread crumbs
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 (32 oz.) jar spaghetti sauce
- ½ cup Parmesan cheese
- ½ cup shredded mozzarella cheese



Photo and recipe courtesy of allrecipes.com

Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.
2. Trim stems from zucchini and slice lengthwise. Scoop out seeds and put in bowl.
3. Mix seeds with sausage, garlic, bread crumbs and parmesan cheese. Stuff squash with sausage mixture and place in 9x13 inch baking pan.
4. Pour sauce over squash and cover pan with foil.
5. Bake in preheated oven for 45 minutes, or until sausage is cooked. Remove foil and cover with mozzarella cheese. Cook until cheese is melted. Yummy!

Words of Encouragement

“So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.”

– Isaiah 41:10

“So the poor have hope, and injustice shuts its mouth.”

– Job 5:16

“Long stormy spring-time, we contentious April, winter chilling the lap of very May; but at length the season of summer does come.”

–Thomas Carlyle
(Philosopher)

Pet Peeves – Take Your Dog to Work Week and Adopt a Cat Month

Hey Friends! Dexter and Mia here with the best news ever!

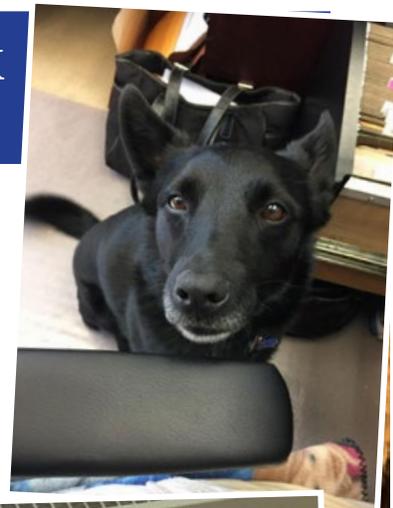
The month of June brings a number of new and great activities. The one we especially love is “Take Your Dog to Work Week,” which is June 20th through the 24th this year! We love heading into the office with Tim and Susan. We get lots of attention from everyone and even get a few extra treats.

But as I am sure you are aware, it is not all fun. The office is where the work gets done, and sometimes we have to work a bit too. Just kidding!, we don’t work, we have humans do that for us!

Make sure you check to see if your boss will let your office or workplace participate. Start early, as it may require some convincing on your part. Pictures of cute dogs always help! If you do get to participate this year, make sure you post it on Facebook and share your pictures with The Miley Legal Group, there may be something special in it for you and your pet!

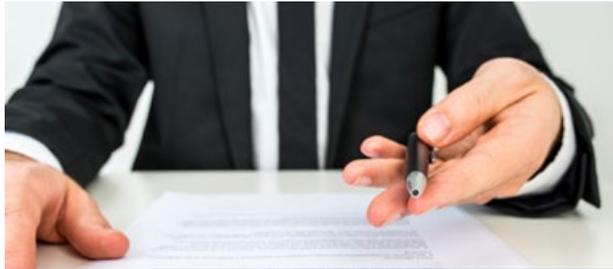
On a more serious matter, the month of June is also “Adopt a Cat” month. If you are considering adopting a new cat, make sure you visit your local animal shelter first! I am sure you can find a feline friend that will fit in nicely with your family.

Well, that’s all we got this month! Remember to keep your pets safe and check us out next month to see what cool pet information we have to share!





*Check out our blog at
MileyLegalBlog.com*

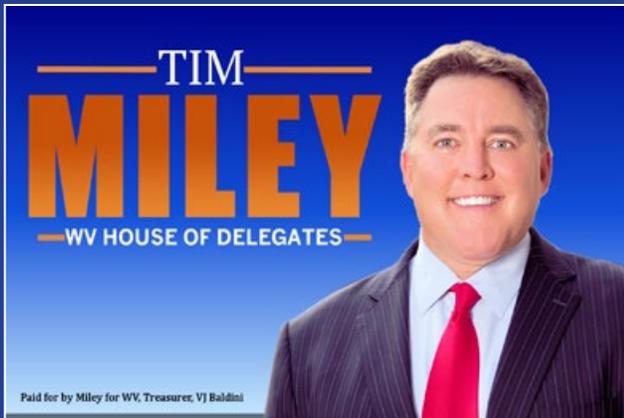


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“Thank You for
Your Support!”

Miley Family Fun



*Legal Assistants Appreciation Day -
Pictured: Tim, Kassi, Nicole, Fearless
Fools Comedy Act, Karen and Susan*



*Johnson Elementary
Color Run - Pictured:
Bottom Left: Hunter,
Maddie, Heidi Miley
Top: Doug and Tim*



*Girl Scout Troop 4022 "Birthday
Bag Food Drive" - Pictured Chloe
and Robyn of Troop 4022 and
The Miley Legal Group staff.*

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