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So, What's My Injury Case Really Worth?

The value of a personal injury case that goes to trial is determined by the jury. They are given evidence to evaluate and a list of items they may take into consideration before making their decision.



When settling a case prior to trial, various factors play a role in establishing the worth of a case. A good personal injury attorney makes their evaluation based upon all the doctor's reports, present and future medical bills, and a comprehensive discussion with your doctor. Information covered should include the invasiveness of, pain associated with, and duration of treatment; future pain and discomfort; and loss of enjoyment of life. Employment considerations include lost wages and future lost wages.

Insurance companies influence the landscape, too. They keep track of cases nationwide and can crunch the numbers. They know which doctors are "overtreaters" whose bills can more easily be challenged at trial, and which doctors make poor or excellent witnesses.

Insurance companies keep tabs on attorneys who are willing to go to trial, and those who settle in every circumstance. They also know which attorneys have expertise in a specific area of law, and those who are general practitioners. Insurance companies lick their chops when an attorney sends most of his/her clients to the same doctor, which they may exploit at trial by insinuating that the doctor is shading their testimony to favor the attorney.

There is no magic formula in determining the value of a personal injury case, but hiring the right personal injury attorney can go a long way toward winning your case or achieving a fair settlement. 

Welcome to our newest MLG Family Member! Logan Daugherty

Name: Logan Daugherty

Age: 19

Family: Sister - Jaclyn, Mother - Tammy, and Father - Doug Daugherty

Hobbies: Videography, music production, skiing, and biking.

Year in School: I am about to enter my sophomore year of college.

What are you majoring in for college and where do you attend? I am majoring in Industrial Engineering at West Virginia University.

Have you decided what you want to do after college graduation? Not yet. I keep telling myself that I don't graduate for three more years so I shouldn't worry about it, but I know it couldn't hurt to develop a game plan now. However, I would ultimately like to own my own video or music production company.

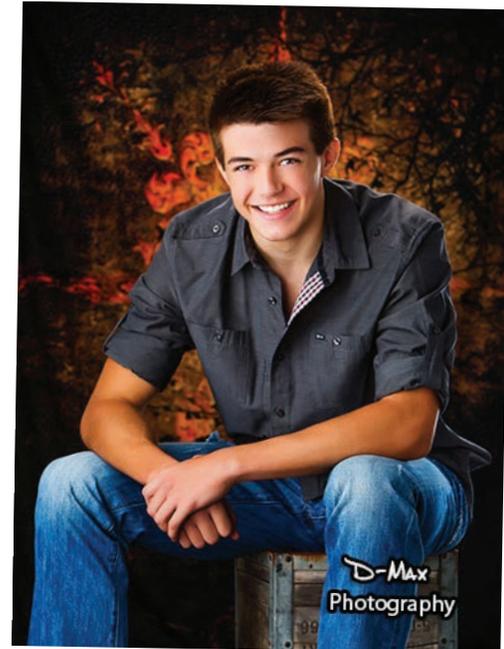
What made you like creating videos? Back in middle school, my friends and I loved Star Wars more than life itself. We had memorized trivia about the movies and we would play outside in the summer, battling each other with our plastic lightsabers. I remember watching a fan film that someone made online where two guys were fighting each other with what looked like lightsabers straight out of the movies! I learned that they were using special effects software. The next Christmas, I asked for a special effects software, called Effectslab Pro by FXHome, and Santa delivered. I was ecstatic when I received it. I would watch tutorials online and spend multiple hours every weeknight learning about video production. I found it absolutely fascinating and, although the Star Wars fandom in me has calmed itself, this love for video and cinema has carried with me ever since.

What qualities of your mother/father influenced you the most? Besides their dashing looks, I'll often say something in a conversation and think, "That's exactly how my mom or dad would have responded." I think their personalities have rubbed off on me, especially their kindness to strangers and cheery outlook.

What is the best piece of advice you ever got? I ran hurdles in middle school track. My track coach, who was an amazing distance/marathon runner, told me that your body will always push further than what your mind believes it is capable of. Through the years, I have found this to be so true. I don't know if he was trying to give me inspirational advice, or if he just wanted me to finish me laps around the track, but every time I am running or working out, I think of his words. Whenever I want to quit or give up, I remember him telling me this, and that motivation to keep going has helped me get in shape, play football my senior year, run track, and push to become a state champion athlete.

What is the most difficult part of being college student right now? Time Management. I feel like there are so many things to do but there is so little time. I would love to have more time to learn instruments, practice production, practice videography, ski, bike, relax, focus on school, complete an internship/co-op, work, sleep, go hang out with my friends, and become a beach bum, but, alas, I have to pick and choose where I spend my time. It also wouldn't hurt to have more money.

What advice would you give students in high school that you wish you would have known prior to attending college? I have two pieces of advice. 1) Learn to keep a schedule, even when you don't absolutely have to. Staying up until 2am and then waking up at noon every day in the summer is horrific training for college (or it was for me, at least) because college requires a huge amount of self-discipline and motivation that many high school students seem to lack. That being said go to class! 2) Balance work and play. This is the falling off point for many people. They go to college, see the temptation for parties and clubs, and neglect school. That being said, it is college. Don't be afraid to go out sometimes and step outside your comfort zone, but learn to find a balance. As the proverb goes, "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy. All play and no work makes Jack a mere toy." 📖



Logan Daugherty

Southwestern Black Bean and Avocado Salad

Our friend, Brenda Gillum, shared this recipe with us and we loved it!



Dressing:

- 6 scallions (just white part) sliced very thin
- 1/2 Cup Lime Juice and zest of lime
- 1 1/2 TBS canned mild green chilies (finely minced)
- 2 tsp. Honey
- 3 TBS Olive Oil
- 1 tsp. Cumin
- 3/4 tsp. each salt and pepper
- 1/2 tsp. Garlic Powder
- 2 TBS Tabasco Chipotle

Combine all ingredients above except olive oil and Wisk. Slowly add olive oil.

Salad:

- 3-4 Cups of Corn (1 used fresh and cut it off cob)
- 3 Cans Black Beans rinsed and drained
- 3 Avocado's diced in 1/2 inch pieces
- 3 medium Tomatoes seeded and diced
- 1/3 Cup Cilantro

Sauté Corn in 3-4 TBS olive oil - Cool and mix all ingredients together

Toss with dressing cover and refrigerate . Garnish with cherry tomato's and sliced avocado. 🍴

August 2015 Important Dates

August 1
National Mustard Day

August 2
International
Friendship Day

August 13
International
Left-Handers Day

August 26
Women's Equality Day

*August 2015 is
National Immunization
Awareness Month
and Children's
Eye Health and Safety Month*

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

The Miley Legal Group, in conjunction with WBOY TV, has developed a wonderful opportunity to recognize our community's dedicated, hard-working volunteers. The *Celebrating Volunteers* program was a brain child of Gretchen Ross of WBOY TV and Tim Miley of The Miley Legal Group. Each month, a volunteer will be chosen from multiple nominees submitted by our community. The volunteer selected will have demonstrated their commitment to an organization through volunteerism and support.

Each awardee will receive recognition through a spotlight on WBOY with Ms. Ross and \$500 will be contributed to their organization in the volunteer's name. We will follow the awardees and the organization throughout the recognition and bring pictures and their stories to our newsletter and our website for our readers to check out.



This has been in the works for a while and Tim, along with the rest of the staff at The Miley Legal Group is looking forward to recognizing these dedicated volunteers. The Miley Legal Group has a history of participating in fundraisers, recognition events and overall generally supported our community in a number of ways. This program will allow us to highlight those individuals that have gone above and beyond when it comes to volunteering for our non-profit groups throughout our community. Tim and Gretchen have been working diligently to get this off the ground, and we can not wait to see the results.

If you would like to nominate an exceptional volunteer, and we encourage you to do so quickly, the process is pretty simple. You will need to visit MileyLegal.com and click on the *Celebrating Volunteers* logo. You will then be required to put in a small amount of contact information and a brief explanation as to why the volunteer deserves recognition and we take it from there. Our first volunteer winner will have been recognized the last week in July and we will continue to recognize volunteers and their organizations over the coming year. 🍴



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Doug with Terri Peters of Fairview*

Miley Legal Group Fun!



Susan and Shaquille O'Neal



*Tim with
Duck
Dynasty
fellows*



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Contest Runs: August 22nd-28th