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PERSONAL ATTENTION AND DEDICATION THROUGH EVERY PHASE OF THE CASE

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NEWSLETTER

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Fall and Injury Cases: Outdoors and Inside Falls

There is a big difference between falling outside and falling inside from a legal standpoint. Outside falls, when compared to inside falls, are much more difficult to prove. When a person falls outside, it may be difficult to locate a management agent to whom to report the incident. If so, call the police. With regard to a person falling inside a building, notify building or store management. In both cases, immediate notice to management and the police (if outside) and prompt medical attention are extremely important. In both kinds of cases, it is important to contact me immediately so you will have guidance on how to best protect your potential claims and to learn the details of how to preserve any and all available evidence. Evidence often quickly disappears after any fall, which is why time in such cases is always of the essence. If you, your family or friends, suffer injury as a result of a fall...

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THE FALL AND INJURY CASE: HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF AND PROVE YOUR CLAIM

If you, your family or friends are injured while walking in a store or on outside commercial space, here is what you must do to preserve a potential case:

- 1. Notify Management Immediately.** Ensure that a Manager or the Manager's Assistant fills out an Incident or Accident Form. Ask for a business card or if no business card is provided, obtain their contact information and job title. If you fall in a parking lot, report the incident to the Manager of the closest store to where the fall occurred.
- 2. Obtain the Names and Contact Information** from anyone who assists or observes what happened.
- 3. Take Pictures with Your Cell Phone of the Area Where You Fell** or have someone at the scene do it for you. The law puts the burden on the injured person to explain why the fall occurred. Without such visual evidence, there may be no case to pursue, regardless of how severe the injuries may be.
- 4. If You Feel Any Pain, Seek Immediate Medical Attention As Soon As Possible.** If you feel "shook up" or nauseous, these are danger signals. If personal transportation is not available to take you to a hospital ER or Urgent Care facility, ask for an ambulance or ask a family member or friend to help you. You can always be seen by your primary care physician or a medical specialist later.
- 5. Call Me Immediately After You Arrive Home.** If after business hours or on a weekend, call me on my cell phone 202-578-2237. Do not wait days or weeks to call me, because evidence of the negligence quickly disappears in such cases as the problem which caused the fall is often quickly corrected or repaired.



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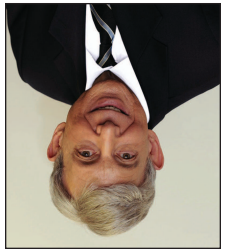
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