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Trial Attorney with nearly 100 cases tried before Illinois juries since 1989. Past President of the West Suburban Bar Association. Vice President of the Bohemian Lawyers Association. Lecturer on Trial Techniques for Illinois Continuing Legal Education. Results frequently featured in Law Publications and National Newspapers. Active Volunteer in the Community.



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At the Law Office of David J. Heyer, Ltd. we understand that catastrophic events can and do happen due to a combination of factors. We make sure that our client's side of the story is told in an honest and compelling manner.

- ◆ Experienced Trial Counsel
- ◆ Relentless Pursuit of Evidence
- ◆ Meticulous Preparation and Attention to Detail
- ◆ Support from top Medical and Engineering Experts
- ◆ Jury Verdicts that allow us to negotiate the very best settlements for our Clients

Our firm handles severe injury cases. We limit the number of cases we take so that we can devote full attention to our clients. We keep our clients fully advised at all times. We understand how important each case is and do our very best to serve each client.



When a person is injured, it can be difficult to show why that individual should recover monetary damages. The Law Office of David J. Heyer, Ltd. listens to clients and makes every effort to uncover the facts which often entitle our clients to the substantial awards they truly deserve. These are just some of the noteworthy cases on which David J. Heyer has been able to recover substantial awards despite difficult evidentiary issues.

\$3,350,000 A 45-yr-old man was killed in an automobile collision when the underinsured driver of a pick-up truck ran a red light. Cellular phone records showed that the pick-up driver was using both his personal and work cell phones within moments of the collision, although the collision occurred after work hours. The settlement was paid by the pick-up driver and his employer.

\$2,000,000 A 57-yr-old man lost his arm in a food processing machine while greasing the machine without using proper safety procedures. Evidence was discovered showing that the machine could not be fully lubricated unless it was fully energized making safety measures impractical.

\$1,560,000 A 26-yr-old bicyclist suffered a crushing hand injury when he was struck by a truck as he passed the truck through a 2 foot gap between the truck and the curb. The truck driver admitted at trial that he was not sure if he checked his side mirror before turning into the bicyclist.

\$780,000 A 53-yr-old man with congenital stenosis of the neck, had surgery after a rear-end automobile collision. He had not complained of neck pain for 6 weeks after the collision. His doctor testified that the absence of any complaint of neck pain was explained by the fact that the man had severe chest pain from broken ribs which distracted the man from his neck pain.

\$680,000 A 21-yr-old non-documented immigrant was killed when the vehicle he was riding in slammed into a semi-truck at a speed in excess of 80 mph. The evidence showed that the truck driver should have seen the speeding car before the truck made his left turn in front of vehicle.

\$600,000 A 40-yr-old woman with a pre-existing back condition was rear-ended at a low rate of speed. The medical evidence showed that an aggravation of her condition occurred which required a second surgery.

\$495,000 A 46-yr-old man suffered a head injury while he was a passenger in a taxi cab that was on its way to the airport. The cab made a u-turn in front of semi-tractor trailer in order to avoid a traffic jam.

\$475,000 An 83-yr-old man died when he became dizzy and fell while receiving a standing chest x-ray. The hospital never enforced its fall risk policy even though he was suffering from dehydration and had a doctor's admitting order restricting his mobility. The man had said that he was okay to stand for the x-ray.

\$450,000 A 69-yr-old man died when he was backed over by a catering truck at a construction site. The previous lawyer settled the case against the catering truck but failed to pursue the general contractor who had no direct control over the catering truck which came to the worksite on its own. Recovery was made against the law firm who failed to preserve the case against the general contractor who was shown at trial to have allowed the catering truck to drive recklessly at the site many times before the incident.

\$425,000 A 43-yr-old man suffered a fatal heart attack in his apartment. Paramedics were unable to immediately enter due to a defective door lock that the landlord had failed to repair despite several requests. Paramedics were delayed 8 to 10 minutes. The medical testimony established that the man would have had a 50% chance of survival at a severely impaired level if the paramedics had gained immediate entry.

\$420,000 A 39-yr-old man with pre-existing arthritis in his back had multiple back surgeries after a low speed rear-end collision. His employment records showed that he also had several unrelated back injuries at work, which also may have caused the need for the surgery.

\$390,000 An 85-yr-old woman suffered a hip fracture from a fall at Jewel over a food pallet in the middle of the aisle used by a stockboy. The store's incident reports and eye witnesses' testimony showed that the woman was likely distracted while reaching for a carton of orange juice.

\$387,500 A 56-yr-old painter suffered a head injury when he fell from a scaffold owned by the homeowner which he used despite its unsafe condition while working as a painter. The painter had been instructed not to move the scaffolding by the homeowner.

\$335,000 A 42-yr-old woman was struck by a bicyclist while walking along the lakefront. She sustained a head injury. Witnesses had testified that the woman was listening to her iPod and walked right in front of the bicyclist.

\$275,000 A 56-yr-old man fractured his wrist when material fell off a forklift jack onto his arm. He had been unloading his truck in a narrow lane of traffic on a busy loading dock. The forklift driver had not secured the material as required.