# INJURED IN AN AUTO ACCIDENT? Here's What You Need to Do



## GET MEDICAL ATTENTION ASAP

Don't delay! Seek treatment even when you think you feel completely fine. The severity of the illness is not always readily apparent, and the pain may only begin after a few days.

#### CONSULT A PERSONAL INJURY ATTORNEY

If you believe the accident was caused by another person's negligence, then it is a good idea to get in touch with a personal injury lawyer.

### PREPARE A PERSONAL INJURY CIVIL LAWSUIT

After your claim is accepted, you'll be working on building the case with your lawyer. A few professionals may be consulted in this process, including medical professionals and occupational therapists. The extent of your injury and how it has affected your everyday life will be evaluated.

#### NEGOTIATE A SETTLEMENT

You do not always have to go to court for your personal injury case. A lot of the time, the defendant will want to avoid the hassle and will try to negotiate a settlement.

### SETTLE OR GO TO TRIAL

If you and the defendant are unable to reach an agreement, your case will go to trial. If the court rules in your favor, you will receive compensation, but if it doesn't, you won't receive any at all. That is why it is so important to have an experienced attorney by your side.

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