

What a Premise Liability Attorney Will Look For

If you suffered an injury due to the negligence of a property owner, a slip and fall attorney will investigate to see what may have caused that accident and how negligence played a part in it. Here are some of the things you can expect them to look at.

What Were You Doing?

There are cases where people try to sue someone for premise liability when the injuries they suffered were their own fault. If you brought the injury on yourself, there's no sense in taking up an attorney's time with it. The first thing the attorney will try to determine is whether you really do have legitimate cause to go after someone on premise liability grounds.

The Conditions

The attorney will look into the conditions that led up to the accident. Sometimes, these are quite obvious. For instance, people slip and fall on unmarked floors all the time. This is usually negligent on the part of the property owner. In retail spaces and other spaces where the public is welcomed, signage is supposed to be put out to warn people that the floor is wet or slippery so that people know to avoid the hazard and can save themselves an injury from a bad fall.

There are other conditions that can lead to slips and falls, as well. For instance, if there are rugs bunched up that cause trip hazards, the attorney will take this into account. One recent claim filed in Texas alleges that a woman slipped and fell due to a carpet that was improperly tacked down to the floor and that was not lighted properly.

Your Injuries

In order to sue, you have to have a dollar figure in mind and that means that you have to have suffered an injury that needs to be compensated. For instance, if you lost wages and suffered a great deal of pain due to your injuries, your attorney will take those things into account and make sure that you're able to seek compensation for them. If someone in your family died due to a slip and fall, a [premise liability attorney](#) may recommend filing a wrongful death lawsuit against the property owner.

Remember that there is sometimes an option to sue, even if you were warned but the conditions were still dangerous. Ask an attorney if you're unsure; they're the best resources for finding out whether or not you have grounds to sue.

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