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Common Types of Car Accidents

<u>Car accidents</u> happen for many reasons and can be the fault of either party involved. Here are some facts on the five most frequent kinds of car accidents. If you've experienced any sort of these accidents and need assistance as far as legal counsel goes, always keep in mind we're just a phone call away for a free consultation.

Impact at a Low Speed

A low impact auto accident is one that happens at less than 10 miles per hour. This can still cause property damage like dents or personal injuries such as whiplash. They normally happen in situations like backing up, or driving in slow speed areas.

Front Impacts

Front impact accidents usually involve some sort of collision with another vehicle or when someone hits an animal, tree, or other item. Common injuries can include damage to the back or spine, neck or head, or the arms and legs. There could even be internal injuries, so a doctor or ER visit could be in order.

Rear Impacts

A rear impact accident is usually caused by a distracted driver behind you. It is usually charged to the person who rear ends the car in front and can result in variety of different injuries, from soft tissue to broken bones to even head trauma in some scenarios.

Side Collisions

A side collision usually injures a driver's head or causes spinal problems, and these are usually very dangerous accidents since many cars don't have side air bags. These commonly happen in intersections, which is discussed in the following section.

Collision at an Intersection

These are called T-bone accidents since that's the shape when one car hits the side of the other. Various kinds of damage can be done to both the car and the driver depending on the circumstances such as speed, etc.

Causes of Accidents

Most accidents are due to things like <u>driver distraction</u>, fatigue, weather, or some sort of physical or emotional impairment. So, the best way to prevent an accident so you won't need the services of either a doctor or a lawyer is to pay attention to the road and the things around you. While you can only control your own driving, being aware of things like weather and other distractions such as bad drivers can help prevent accidents, and therefore injuries and damages, from occurring. Florida already isn't praised for its good drivers, so make a conscientious effort to stay alert on both the highway and your neighborhood streets.

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