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On behalf of all of us here at the Charles Boyk Law Offices, LLC, we thank you for trusting us with your current or past legal matter, and we are hopeful that you and yours will continue to place that trust in us with respect to any legal services that you may require in the future.

#### Charles Edward Boyk



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# DID YOU HEAR? PIT BULLS NO LONGER CONSIDERED A 'VICIOUS' BREED

The Ohio Governor, John Kasich, signed a bill on Tuesday February 21, 2012 that ended Ohio's status as the only state that designated a single dog breed as "vicious." However, some dog wardens are opposed to the measure because of the frequent pit bull attacks while others have said pit bulls are not inherently vicious. According to 2009 statistics there were 380 dog bites recorded. Of those 380 dog bites 65 of them were from pit bulls, the highest number of bites from one breed. Pit bulls account for less than 5% of the dog population yet 18% of dog bites are from pit bulls.

According to data collected by the Humane Society, the breeds that were most frequently involved in human fatalities are pit bulls, Rottweilers and German Shepherds. There are over 800,00 people in the United States that suffer injuries from dog bites each year according to the Centers for Disease Control, and over half of those dog bite victims are children. "Being bitten by a dog can be both a physically and emotionally devastating experience," Chuck Boyk said. "Knowledge of your legal rights is imperative to making important decisions about your case."

When negligent ownership of a dog erupts into an injury for an innocent person, the victim has a right to pursue damages against the owner equal to the pain and suffering their dog has inflicted. A dog bite victim may incur many different kinds of damages and losses,

from medical bills and emotional damage, to loss of the opportunity to earn income in the future because of disfigurement. As for children, the segment of the population most frequently attacked by dogs, the emotional and psychological damage that results from a dog bite attack can last for a lifetime.

The bill changes a law that currently defines a vicious dog as one that has seriously hurt or killed a person, killed another dog, or is among those commonly known as pit bulls. The new bill removes the reference to pit bulls from the definition.

"I think the change in the law is a big mistake. Pit bulls bite much more than other dogs. And the bites are much more severe. Normally the owners of those dogs have no insurance coverage," said Chuck Boyk.



How do you feel about this issue? Express your feelings about this bill and order your free copy of The Ohio Dog Bite Book at http://www.charlesboyk-law.com/blog/pit-bulls-no-longer-considered-vicious.cfm.

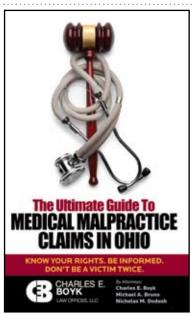


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# THE ULTIMATE GUIDE TO MEDICAL MALPRACTICE IN OHIO: KNOW YOUR RIGHTS, BE INFORMED, DON'T BE A VICTIM TWICE.

The Attorneys at the Charles E. Boyk Law Offices, LLC have written a new book, The Ultimate Guide To Medical Malpractice Claims In Ohio. This book serves as an easy-to-understand yet informative guide on the law in Ohio relating to medical malpractice claims. Perhaps more importantly, it provides a straightforward approach and answers many of the questions that are most frequently asked by people who believe that they may have a claim for medical malpractice.

To get your **FREE** copy of The Ultimate Guide To Medical Malpractice Claims In Ohio, call Ashley today at 419-241-1395 or e-mail her at marketing@charlesboyk-law. com and she will mail you a copy of the book!

## **RECIPE - KIM'S FAMOUS MEXICAN BAKE RECIPE**

## **MEXICAN BAKE**

"My family LOVES this recipe!" – Kim Weyandt

#### **INGREDIENTS:**

- 2 cans of Pillsbury crescent rolls
- 2 pounds ground beef
- 2 packets taco seasoning
- 1 can of Ro-tel tomatoes
- 8 oz mexican velveeta
- Lettuce
- Tomatoes
- Sour cream
- Salsa

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

Brown ground beef. Drain and add taco seasoning and Ro-tel tomatoes. Press one can of crescent rolls into the bottom of a 9 x 13 pan. Add meat mixture. Slice Velveeta and arrange over meat. Put the second roll of crescent rolls on top. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 to 45 minutes. Serve with lettuce, tomatoes, sour cream and salsa.





## RECENT RECALLS: WE ARE HERE TO KEEP YOU INFORMED!

There have been numerous recalls on various medicines, children's clothing, and strollers within the past month. We want to keep you informed about the recalls, so we are providing you with a list of the recalls, what the product is, and the reason it is being recalled.

DATE RECALLED	BRAND NAME	PRODUCT DESCRIPTION	REASON/PROBLEM	COMPANY
2/22/2012	Healthy People Company	Dietary Supplements	Undeclared drug ingredients.	Healthy People Company
2/22/2012	Honda	Honda Odyssey Minivan I 2008 and 2009 Model Years	Honda is currently recalling 46,000 of their odyssey minivans. The reasoning: the rear doors can fall on people unexpectedly, and have on at least two occasions. The recall affects minivans from the 2008 and 2009 model years that have the power lift gates. Gas can leak out of the struts that support the lift gates. The doors could close unexpectedly, increasing the risk of injuries.	Honda I The company said they will replace both the power lift gate and struts for free.
2/17/2012	Tylenol	Infants Tylenol Oral Suspension 1 oz. Grape	Difficulty using the infants Tylenol Simple Measure dosing system.	McNeil Consumer Healthcare
2/3/2012	Bumbleride Indie & Indie Twin Strollers	Strollers	Potential fall hazard. Product sold new beginning in January 2009 for \$500 to \$700.	Bumbleride Indie

## EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT: Videographer Zachary Wickert

The Charles E. Boyk Law Offices would like to welcome Zachary Wickert to the firm! Zachary is a Senior at Bowling Green State University majoring in Visual Communications Technology. Students at BGSU, depending on their major, are required to participate in a Co-Op before graduating.

Zachary has been with the Charles Boyk Law Offices since the beginning of January, 2012. He has been working hard shooting, editing, and posting videos of the attorneys talking on different law related topics. The videos also include some frequently asked questions. Thanks to Zachary's great help, we already have over 110 new videos posted to the Charles Boyk Law Offices YouTube account. To watch some of the recent videos please check out our YouTube Channel at www.youtube.com/ceboyk. Be sure to check back in the coming weeks for the blooper videos!

## TRIVIAL PURSUIT: MARCH 2012

Send Ashley your answers to be entered into a drawing for an Entertainment Book full of coupons! E-mail her at marketing@charlesboyk-law.com or mail your answers to 405 Madison Ave Suite 1200, Toledo, Ohio 43604.

### Answers will be in the April 2012 Book Bulletin!

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4 Q: The flower of the i	month for March is the	!,	
5 Q: What national hol	iday is in March?		

- 6 Q: What two Charles Boyk Law Offices employees birthdays are in March?
- 7 Q: What male teen music sensation was born in March?

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## INCREDIBLE OFFER

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Chuck up on this great offer!

## CASES OF INTEREST: MARCH 2012

## WORKER LOSES 2 FINGERS DUE TO MACHINERY

Near the end of our client's shift he was finishing up his tasks for the day when his glove that he wears on the job got caught in a piece of machinery causing him to lose two fingers. He was unable to hit the stop button on the machine since he was bracing himself with his other hand. Our client was rushed by ambulance to Fostoria Community Hospital and was then transported by life flight to Columbus, Ohio for further care.

## PASSENGER IN A VEHICLE SUFFERS BROKEN BONES

CASE FILE

Our client was the passenger in her vehicle being driven by her daughter when an elderly man pulled out in front of them causing them to collide head on. The air bags deployed and the impact caused our client to strike the front console. She was taken by ambulance to St. Vincent's Medical Center and was admitted for a fractured sternum. Our client is currently under the care of an orthopedic specialist for injuries to her left shoulder and mid back.

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PERMIT #179 TOLEDO, OH



An apartment fire in Toledo claimed the life of a young father of two. The body was not found until after the apartment complex was demolished. Reports state that the neighbors said everyone was out of the building at the time of the fire. Our deepest sympathy goes out to the young man's family and children.

