NEW BOOK HELPS FAMILIES FACING DENTAL ABUSE

Families pay out-of-pocket to help families affected by Small Smiles is offering a free book explaining the Small Smiles dental center abuse and its ensuing litigation.

Geared toward parents of Small Smiles patients who may not even be aware that the treatment their child received was unnecessary, Small Smiles: Big Injuries is easy to read and gives parents a step-by-step guide to dealing with the complicated world of a child injury case. For your free copy, visit www.OhioAccidentBooks.com or call (419) 241-1395.

New address or phone number? Help us stay current by letting us know! Call Ashley at (419) 241-1395 or email her at marketing@charlesboyklaw.com.

CASES OF INTEREST:

Man Must Undergo Second Surgery After First Knee Replacement Fails

After extensive surgery to replace an arthritic knee, our 81-year-old client discovered that his knee replacement device failed prematurely. The implant was made by DePuy, a subsidiary of Johnson & Johnson, and the same company that specialized in pediatric dentistry and were one of the few dental firms that accepted Medicaid insurance. But instead of helping children and families who could not afford private dental insurance, Small Smiles dentists took advantage of the kids by performing unnecessary treatment in order to make more money. An FBI investigation found that Small Smiles dentists nationwide were enrolling our firms help to bring a wrongful death suit against the department, since many of the allegations that prompted the shooting are believed to be untrue.

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- Performing painful root canals and other dental procedures without any local anesthetics or “laughing gas”
- Shaving down children’s otherwise healthy baby teeth and implanting silver caps
- Harvesting bone from one’s hip and knee replacement devices to insert into a patient’s other hip and knee replacement device
- Charging patients for surgery extremely risky due to the high number of potential complications

Whether you are a parent or a child, it is possible for kids to overcome their fears and have their teeth properly worked on. Unfortunately, this was not the situation for patients of Small Smiles dental clinics.
The family of Alexa Brown, a Clyde resident who lost her battle with cancer at age 11, invites you to participate in the 4th Annual Alexa Brown Memorial 5K Run/Walk and 1K Kids Butterfly Fun Run with all proceeds to benefit CureSearch, the world’s largest childhood cancer research organization.

A $150 gift card will go to the top male and top female, along with prizes for the runners up and refreshments, door prizes, goodie bags and massages for all participants.

The race will be held on Saturday, September 21 at 8:45am, with the start and finish in downtown Clyde, Ohio. After the race, there will also be a butterfly release in memory of Alexa. Advanced entry fees for the race are $20 per person or $15 for the Fun Run until September 13th. Race day registration is $25 and all who participate will receive a shirt, with the option of upgrading to a tech shirt for an additional $5.

For more information or to register for the race, visit www.run torememberalexa.com.

**Recipe:**

### Anneke’s One-Pan Sautéed Chicken

**Every Mom Needs This Amazing 3-in-1 Recipe that Starts with Frozen Chicken!**

For those of you who are busy, here’s a recipe that starts with frozen chicken, and it’s not just any ordinary recipe. This is a recipe that will bring joy to your family.

#### BASIC CHICKEN RECIPE:

- 4-5 frozen chicken breasts
- 1/2 cup water
- Marinate (choose one below)

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

- In a large sauce pan, cover frozen chicken breasts with marinade and add water. Cover and bring to a medium-high heat; boil for 5 to 7 minutes. Flip chicken and reduce heat, gently boil for 7 to 8 more minutes, or until chicken is no longer pink. Marinate will boil down to a thickened sauce.

#### MARINADES:

**Herbed Lemon Pepper**
- 3 Tbsp chopped shallots
- 2 tsp fresh lemon juice
- 1 Tbsp fresh parsley
- 1 tsp dried tarragon leaves
- 1 tsp each lemon pepper & salt

**Tea湘**
- 1/4 cup ketchup
- 1/4 cup soy sauce chilis
- 1 Tbsp lime juice
- 1 tsp each chili powder, garlic, ginger
- 1 tsp each salt & pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon hot sauce

**Asian**
- 1/4 cup soy sauce
- 3 Tbsp water
- 1 tsp honey
- 1 tsp minced garlic
- 1 tsp grated ginger

**Tex Mex**
- 1/3 cup water
- 4-5 frozen chicken breasts
- 1 Tbsp Mexican salsa
- 2 tsp vegetable oil
- 1/2 tsp each salt & pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon hot sauce

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1/2 cup water
1 tsp each salt & pepper
2 tsp vegetable oil
4-5 frozen chicken breasts
1/3 cup water
1 Tbsp Mexican salsa
Get to know Wes:

Wes was in Monowi, Michigan and grow up in Fremont, Ohio. He received his undergraduate degree from Bowling Green State University, studied at the University of Alcala de Henares in Spain and earned his juris doctor with honors from Rutgers University. After law school, Wes also served as the executive editor of the law journal and was a member of Rutgers’ moot court.

### Employment Spotlight: Attorney Wesley Merrillat

Once again, our firm has brought on board another experienced attorney to handle our new complex litigation practice. Jeromy Wosley Merrillat is the lead attorney responsible for our new litigation and Multi-District Litigation in both Federal and state courts, primarily in the area of pediatric litigation, pharmaceutical and product liability, ERISA, antitrust and general commercial disputes.

Although many of his cases have been successfully resolved without the need for a trial, Wes’s experience also includes successful bench and jury trials, as well as mediation and arbitration. A true advocate for justice, Wes has been involved in litigation against some of the country’s largest companies, including: Ford Motor Company; Johnson & Johnson; Bristol-Myers Squibb; Merck; Pfizer Pharmaceuticals and Small Smiles dental centers.

“Choosing to handle litigation involving children is absolutely driven by my own role as a father,” Wes said. “By standing up for those who would otherwise not have a strong voice against a company that wronged them, I am fighting to level the playing field.”

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### Getting to know Wes:

Tell us about your family. I have been blessed. I have an amazing wife, Shari. We have been married 14 years, all of them happy. We have three great kids, and one destiny son — Stew, Evan, and Caden.

What’s your favorite ice cream? Ben and Jerry’s “Paisano Pears”

What is the funniest thing you have seen a child eat?

What book are you reading right now?

Have you ever been in a book club?

What’s the funniest thing you’ve been home from?

What is your favorite charity?

What is your favorite hobby? Fishing with my kids.

### Athlete Faced Cancer, Sports with Same Determination, Competitive Spirit

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At the age of 11, Bubba Andrews was diagnosed with Glioblastoma Multiforme, he approached life in the same way; whether things were 0-0 or 10-0. And when he passed away on March 18, 2012 at age 22, he did it proudly and just as dignified.

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- Dual USB car chargers for every driver in your family.
- Lunch with Mr. Skeleton in our office, courtesy of our local restaurants, for you and three of your friends and will give you a glimpse of our attorneys’ less serious side.

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### Charles Boyk Law Offices is closely approaching the release of our new video and in honor of the accomplishment, we put together a blooper reel of all the hilarious outtakes needed to get each one ‘just right’! Check out our mailboxes soon, as we will be sending out the video via email and posting it to our website and YouTube channel. It is sure to be entertaining and will give you a glimpse of our attorneys’ less serious side.

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1 1/2 cups water
Marinade (choose one below)

INSTRUCTIONS:
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And he didn’t. If Bubba saw you on the street, he would make sure to shake your hand and call you by name. Nobody was a stranger to Bubba – even if you didn’t know him, he would treat you like a friend. After Friday night football games, he’d be tired and anxious for a shower, but would never hesitate to stop and talk with the little kids who waited all game to have their moment with him.

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New Book Helps Families Facing Dental Abuse

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Unless their kids during treatment, even after repeated requests.

Not asking parents' permission before beginning dental work.

Performing painful root canals and tooth extractions without giving patients anesthetics.

Threatening to call Child Services when parents object to dental procedures.

Not allowing parents to accompany their kids during treatment, even after repeated requests.

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We have extensive experience fighting for the rights of injured children and young adults, as he has handled nearly 1,000 Small Smiles injury cases. He has been federally appointed to an arbitrary committee overseeing litigation against the company and their insurer.

“I have zero tolerance for those that abuse or exploit children,” Wes said. “We are dedicated to those children by standing up for them and striking back at the mega corporation that caused serious injury to thousands of children across the United States.”