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2019 Boyk Law Veteran Scholarship – Now Accepting Applications!

Boyk Law is pleased to announce that we are now accepting applications for our 2019 Veteran Scholarship for college students! First awarded in 2015 as part of our commitment to the service men and women of the United States Armed Forces and their continuing education, the \$2,000 annual scholarship will be awarded to a student who is currently attending an accredited college or university, and who has either served in the Armed Forces or is the child of a U.S. Veteran.

To be eligible, an applicant must meet the following criteria:

- **Has served in the United States Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard, or Reserves OR is the child or stepchild of someone who has.**
- **Is a U.S. citizen currently attending an accredited college or university in the United States.**
- **Has a minimum 3.0 GPA and has completed at least one semester of classes at an accredited college or university.**

Applicants will be required to submit an up-to-date resume and a 750-1,000 word essay on a topic related to this award. Further instructions and details can be found on our website.

If you are interested in applying for this

scholarship, please email completed applications to info@charlesboyk-law.com with the subject line: Boyk Law Veteran Scholarship. The deadline to apply is November 1, 2019.

The winning veteran will receive one \$2,000 scholarship to be used exclusively toward college or university tuition, or school-related expenses. The winner will be notified by phone by November 11, 2019, and a check will be made out to the winning student's college or university.

Everyone at Boyk Law is grateful for the service of U.S. veterans and for the many sacrifices they make on behalf of our nation.

If you or someone you know qualifies for this scholarship, please get those applications rolling in so we can give back in a small way to those who have given so much for all of us! We also care deeply about the safety of the men and women of the U.S. Armed Forces and are investigating claims related to 3M Combat Arms Earplugs. These “dual-ended” earplugs, supplied to the U.S. Military from 2003-2015, were deemed defective and caused hearing loss, tinnitus, and other service-related disabilities. If you have questions related to injuries from 3M Dual-Ended Combat Arms Earplugs, our attorneys are standing by ready to help.



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Boyk Law in Lima

We are excited to announce the Grand Opening of our seventh Northwest Ohio office, located in downtown Lima. One of our main goals as a firm is to serve our clients in the most convenient way possible for them. This means making sure we have offices close to their homes, so no one has to travel far for the help they deserve. When we were thinking about where it made sense to expand our footprint next, it was a no brainer to join the community in Lima. Lima is home to almost 37,000 residents and the fictional home of the musical comedy television series "Glee." So, if you're a Lima native, "Hello new neighbor!" If you're visiting, keep an eye open for our new office located at 114 N. West Street. If you or someone you know is looking for representation in the Lima Metropolitan area, please contact our office to speak with one of our attorneys.



ACCIDENT TIP #36: CAN I HAVE A WITNESS?

Here's how it sometimes goes: I'm meeting an injured person for the first time following her car accident. She was struck in an intersection. She had a green light and the other driver obviously ran the red, right? When I ask if she knows of any witnesses, she indicates there were several. Although she does not know their names, the responding officer spoke to them and she assumes they will be on the crash report.

Never assume anything when it comes to traffic crash reports!

More often than not accident witnesses are not listed on crash reports. This results in a clear liability case becoming a "he said, she said" case of disputed liability. Insurers love these situations as it allows them to deny your claim.

So, do the police work yourself. Ask anyone who comes to your aid to write their name and number on a piece of paper. Better yet, keep a notepad and pen in your glovebox. Or, store the information on your smartphone.

Better to be safe than sorry. This important step can lead to the most important evidence in a winning personal injury case.

RECIPE:

Gloomy Day Pick Me Up! Peach Mango Smoothie Recipe

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 peach, sliced
- 1 mango, peeled and diced
- 1/2 cup vanilla soy milk
- 1/2 cup orange juice, or as needed

INSTRUCTIONS:

Place the peach, mango, soy milk, and orange juice into a blender. Cover, and puree until smooth. Pour into glasses to serve.



Teacher Faces Sex Charges Involving at Least 28 First Graders

SPRINGBORO, Ohio — A former Ohio teacher has been indicted on sex charges involving at least 28 first grade girls. Our firm has been contacted by and represents one of the teacher's victims. On June 17, 2019, John Hopkins, 25, was indicted on 36 counts of gross sexual imposition. Mr. Hopkins was a gym teacher at Clearcreek Elementary School and Springboro Intermediate. The 36 counts of gross sexual imposition relate to 28 different children. All of these students again were female first graders at Clearcreek Elementary.

The assaults were captured on school video cameras over a 90-day period. Because the video camera was on a 90-day loop, there sadly could have been many more assaults before this date. It appears the school was aware that the first-year teacher placed his own doorbell-like security camera outside the room, which would alert him if anyone approached. Our firm is continuing to investigate and our clients are cooperating with prosecutors.

Our firm has a dedicated team that handles sex abuse cases. If you or a loved one are a victim/survivor of sexual abuse, we want to help you. Please call us for a free and confidential consultation.



Boyk Law Team Member Updates!

Boyk Law is happy to announce new roles for several of its team members:

- Attorney Katie Harris is now a Trustee on the Board for the Ohio Association for Justice. OAJ is a statewide organization advocating at all levels of government to protect Ohioans' access to the civil justice system so that deserving individuals get justice and wrongdoers are held accountable.
- Attorney Wes Merillat has been admitted to practice law in the State of Michigan. He looks forward to this new chance to branch out and offer fantastic representation to Michigan residents.
- Paralegal Gabriela Santos Toscano has been admitted to the University of Toledo College of Law on a full-tuition merit scholarship. Gabby will be a full-time law student beginning in August, and we can't wait to see what the future holds for her!



CASES OF INTEREST: JULY 2019

Area University Program Coordinator Struck by Car While Biking

An avid cyclist who fills many roles at a local university was on her bicycle when she was struck by a medical transport vehicle in Sylvania. According to police, the vehicle failed to yield the right-of-way to our client and struck her in the crosswalk. Our client was taken to the hospital by ambulance where she underwent surgical repair of her leg. She has been confined to a wheelchair and faces additional medical treatment on the road to recovery. We have already faced this same medical transport company before, in a case where they failed to secure an elderly woman's wheelchair.

RoundUp Weedkiller: Individuals Suffering from Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma Come Forward

An increasing number of individuals have reached out to our firm with eerily similar stories. After extensive use of RoundUp Weedkiller, they developed non-Hodgkins lymphoma. Significant medical research has linked the main chemical in RoundUp (glyphosate) to this type of cancer. Evidence presented at trials overwhelmingly shows that the maker of RoundUp – Monsanto – knew about the danger and concealed it. Jurors hearing the cases against the company have issued verdicts against the company of more than \$2 billion.

Husband and Father of Five Hit by Semi - Suffers Serious Injuries

A 41 year old Fostoria man was traveling on SR-613 in Allen County when a tractor-trailer failed to yield the right-of-way and ran through the intersection. Despite an immediate effort to take evasive action, our client was hit head-on. Our client was taken by ambulance from the scene and transported to Blanchard Valley Hospital, where he was diagnosed with serious but non-life-threatening injuries to his shoulder and hip. We are hopeful he will make a complete recovery and be able to return his work, but understand it will take some time.



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July's Raving Fan of the Month

"I highly would recommend Chuck Boyk. I had a very complicated case involving an accident with major injuries and the other party was trying to blame me for it. Chuck believed in me and took my case when other lawyers wouldn't. Chuck recovered the money that was owed to me. The whole staff is wonderful, and his paralegal Amy was VERY accommodating to my needs. If you're looking for a lawyer, look no further than here - you won't regret it."

- Crystal Gbenle

New address or phone number?

Help us stay current by letting us know!

Call Kristen Johnson at (419) 241-1395

or e-mail her at

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Boyk's Featured Shelter Pups!

Boots is his name, and looking cute is his game! He's three years old, friendly with people, and when you tell him "Say Cheese" he grins! Boots is social and tolerant with other dogs and would make a great addition to any household. This Boots is made for walking and that's just what he'll do. One of these days, Boots will walk on out with you. Boots is waiting to meet you at Lucas County Canine Care & Control.



Boots

Hey, I'm Cherry. I'm around two years old and I live for a good time. My interpretive dance skills make me the life of every party. My likes: belly rubs, scratches, and treats. My dislikes: people who ask me why my name is Cherry. People who like fun dogs should come meet me. Have I mentioned that I am a lot of fun at weddings too?

To help these adorable pooches quickly find their fur-ever families, our office will pay the adoption fees associated with adopting one of these dogs.

To meet these pups please contact:
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410 S Erie St, Toledo, OH 43604
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Cherry