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## Heart Health & Medical Negligence: The Tragedy of Delayed Testing



When we go to our doctors with concerns about our health, we expect that they will act reasonably and responsibly to investigate the cause of those concerns and send us for the treatment that we need to recover.

Currently, we are pursuing a wrongful death case for a client who lost her husband of forty years when, as we allege, his family doctor failed to see the signs.

As far as our client and her husband knew, he was a healthy and active 62-year-old man. One day, he suddenly hit a wall on his daily walk and suffered shortness of breath even with simple activities like walking up the stairs.

He reported these symptoms to his family

doctor, who scheduled him for a number of cardiac tests to take place over the next two weeks. The next day, our client's husband collapsed at work and was taken to the emergency room, where he was pronounced dead of a massive heart attack.

Our office hired an expert physician who believes that the family doctor should have sent our client's husband to the ER immediately instead of delaying cardiac testing.

If the doctor had done that, our expert believes it is more likely than not that medical treatment would have spared the man's life. He would not have dropped dead at work, leaving behind a large grieving family whose lives will never be the same.

For the past several years, we have been pursuing a medical negligence claim against the doctor and the office that employed him. In the event we are unable to reach a resolution through mediation, our lawyers are prepared to present this case to a jury later this year.

If you believe a loved one has died as a result of someone else's negligence, please contact our office. Our legal team is experienced in guiding grieving families through the process of pursuing wrongful death claims to help them find justice and closure in the wake of a terrible loss.

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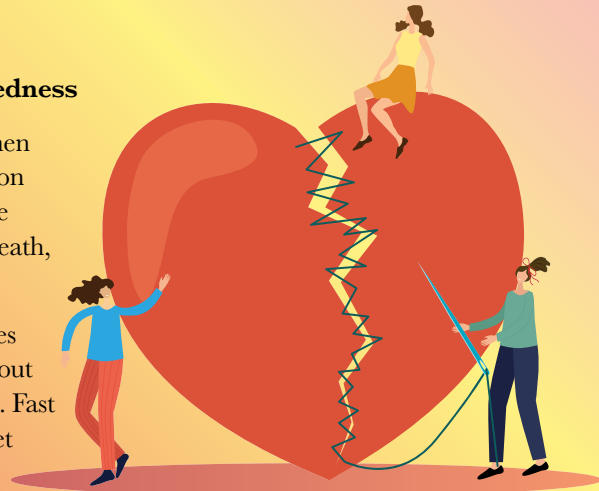
# Spot the Signs of a Heart Attack

If you or a loved one think you may be experiencing signs of a heart attack, seek immediate medical attention. According to the American Heart Association, some of the common warning signs of a heart attack include:

- **Chest discomfort**
- **Discomfort in other areas of the upper body such as the arms, back, neck, jaw, or stomach**
- **Shortness of breath**
- **Breaking out in a cold sweat, nausea, or lightheadedness**

It is important to note that heart attack symptoms vary between men and women. Although chest pain or discomfort is the most common symptom for both, women are somewhat more likely to experience some of the other common symptoms – especially shortness of breath, nausea, and vomiting, and back or jaw pain.

We echo the warnings of the American Heart Association: Minutes matter. If you are experiencing symptoms, have yourself checked out by medical professionals even if you are not sure it's a heart attack. Fast action can save lives, and 911 is almost always the fastest way to get emergency treatment.



## FDA Announces Recall of Problematic Aortic Valve System

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) recently announced the recall of all Boston Scientific LOTUS Edge Aortic Valve Systems. These devices are used to treat patients with aortic stenosis who are at high risk of open-heart surgery. Boston Scientific has had serious issues with the device since introducing it to the market.

In 2016, the company released the device on the European market. Very shortly after its release, the device was linked to reports of breakage resulting in multiple deaths. The company claimed it resolved the issues, yet it continued to experience serious failures year after year.

Despite this, Boston Scientific released the product in the U.S. in April 2019. With mounting problems with the device, in January 2020, the FDA announced that the device was being recalled from the market. Boston Scientific acknowledged it would be too costly and complex to correct the issues with the



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device and that the company would be ceasing all future manufacturing, research, and sales of the device.

At Charles E. Boyk Law Offices, we have a team of talented and experienced professionals focused on representing plaintiffs in product liability cases like

this. If you have suffered a serious injury due to a defective product, please contact us immediately for a free consultation.

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RECIPE:

# Rick Z's Church Cook-Off Award Winning Salsa Soup

## INGREDIENTS:

- 2 16 oz jars of your favorite salsa
- 2 15 oz cans of chili beans in sauce
- 1 15 oz. can white corn (drained)
- 1.5-2 lbs finely chopped cooked chicken (grilled is best)
- 1/2 C brown sugar
- 1 C BBQ sauce (Sweet Baby Ray's! works great)
- 2 C water
- 1 lager or brown ale
- 1 C freshly chopped cilantro
- Sea salt and cracked black pepper
- 2 T hot sauce

## INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Cook chicken - preferably on the grill. Then finely chop.
2. Drain white corn.
3. Throw it all into a large pot (except cilantro - add last) and let it cook for a few hours. This one is always better the next day.



4. Serve with sharp cheddar, sour cream, corn chips on top, with corn bread or peanut butter sandwiches (we're dead serious - a favorite side for this... trust us).

## CASES OF INTEREST: FEBRUARY 2021

### DRIVER RUNS RED LIGHT CAUSING T-BONE ACCIDENT AT MONROE STREET AND HARVEST LANE

On New Year's Eve 2020, our client was a high-school senior riding as the passenger in a vehicle that was making a left turn from Monroe Street onto Harvest Lane in Toledo, Ohio. At the same time, another driver traveling at a high rate of speed ran the red light and smashed into the passenger side of the vehicle where our client was sitting. The young man suffered serious injuries and was rushed to the hospital, where he was diagnosed with a broken femur, broken clavicle, and broken finger. The day after the accident, our client underwent surgery that involved rods being placed in his leg. After four days, he was released from the hospital. We are pursuing a claim against the negligent driver to help our client continue the intensive follow-up care, physical therapy, and psychiatric treatment he needs.

### FAMILY OF THREE SUFFERS TRAGEDY DURING CHRISTMAS SEASON

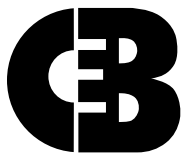
In the early part of December 2020, a young couple and their three-year-old daughter were traveling northbound on State Route 25 in Bowling Green, Ohio on their way to see Santa Claus when disaster struck. A Bowling Green City councilman traveling southbound on State Route 25 crossed the center line and entered the northbound lane of traffic. He smashed head-on into the family's vehicle. The councilman was pronounced dead on the scene. Our clients were taken by EMS to Toledo Hospital. The father sustained a fractured neck, a fractured back, and a fractured foot which required surgery to repair. The mother and daughter were also treated for their injuries. As we investigate this tragic collision, the family faces a long road to recovery.

### REAR-END COLLISION EJECTS CHILDREN FROM VEHICLE

A family of six was traveling southbound on I-75 in Brownstown Township, Michigan when another vehicle slammed into the back of our clients' vehicle, causing it to spin off-road into a ditch. Two of the children in our clients' vehicle, a seven-year-old girl and a three-year-old boy, were ejected from the vehicle. Upon ejection, the young girl's hips and legs were pinned under the vehicle. EMS arrived on the scene and transported the children to a children's hospital. The young girl ultimately suffered a fractured ankle, fractured pelvis, and lacerated spleen. The young boy suffered a neck injury. We are investigating this terrible crash as the family continues to seek treatment for their physical and mental injuries.



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## February's Raving Fan of the Month

"I was in a no-fault accident with my kids and lost my van and broke my wrist and had to have surgery. Everyone at Charles E. Boyk were efficient and quick with getting things done. Even during a pandemic. Everyone was very understanding and professional. Cannot say enough great things about everyone! Thank you all!!!"

- Kim Pierson

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