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BOYK SUPER LAWYERS ASSEMBLE!



Mike Bruno, Andrea Young, and Chuck Boyk

Look out Justice League there is a new super team in town. Boyk Law attorneys Mike Bruno, Sam Bolotin, and Chuck Boyk have all been recognized as Super Lawyers and Andrea Young has been recognized as a "Rising Star". Super Lawyers recognizes outstanding attorneys from more than 70 practice areas who have attained a high degree of peer recognition and professional achievement. Nominees are selected by

their peers and go through a rigorous evaluation process. "I feel flattered to receive this distinction from fellow lawyers and judges." said legal hero Mike Bruno, who along with Sam Bolotin have been certified Ohio Super Lawyers since 2016.

Candidates are identified by their peers. They cannot nominate themselves and are prohibited from campaigning. Only 5% of attorneys are honored with the

title of "Super Lawyer", representing small, medium, and large law firms across the country.

Those named as "Rising Stars" are even more rare, with only 2.5% of nominees selected from outstanding young attorneys in practice for 10 years or less. "I am overjoyed to be recognized, by those in the legal profession, for the hard work and dedication I provide to my clients." said Boyk attorney Andrea Young. "It's an honor to be included, amongst the best attorneys in the state, as a Super Lawyer-Rising Star recipient. I look forward to the coming year and proving that I deserve this recognition."

You can learn more about the Super Lawyers selection process at www.superlawyers.com/about/selection_process.html.

We are very proud to have such talented attorneys on our staff. Congratulations to 2021 Ohio Super Lawyers Mike Bruno, 2021 Ohio Super Lawyer Sam Bolotin, of counsel, 2021 Ohio Super Lawyer Chuck Boyk, and 2021 Rising Star Andrea Young.

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Don't Quit Your Medical Treatment

Getting hurt is no picnic. You may have spent hours waiting in the ER, and had to juggle doctor and therapy visits on an already busy schedule. And many times a full recovery is months or maybe years away.

If you are tempted to quit your treatment before your doctor releases you, think twice. You may delay your physical recovery and you will definitely lose money in your financial recovery.

The law imposes a duty on injury victims to mitigate (lessen) their damages. This means that one needs to avail themselves of treatments to recover from their injuries. If they don't, and are judged to be unreasonable in the process, they may be unable to recover further pain and suffering damages from the time they stop treatment.

Compare the fictional cases of Frank and Sheila. Both suffered soft-tissue back and neck injuries. Both were prescribed 6 weeks of physical therapy. Frank quits

after the 3rd week, telling his therapist he had a pain level of 5 on a 10-point scale. Sheila on the other hand, completes all of her therapy visits with pain at 1 out of 10. Because of that, she will be able to claim pain and suffering for the full 6 weeks and perhaps longer.

During Frank's trial, the defense will argue that his failure to follow-through

with recommended medical care should prevent him from seeking pain and suffering damages after his decision to quit therapy.

We know getting back to good health is hard work. If you are tempted to stop your treatment, give us a call first. Our goal is not only a satisfied, but fully informed client.



Clinical Trial Underway For Potential New Treatment Option For Patients With Mesothelioma

Mesothelioma is a rare cancer with about 3,000 new cases in the United States each year. With limited treatment options, it is nearly always fatal. Mesothelioma is so hard to treat because it typically does not grow as a single tumor, but rather spreads along to other tissue, nerves, and blood vessels. As such, surgery and/or radiation are often ineffective options. Since 2004, only two therapies have been approved for mesothelioma patients.

However, researchers at the University of Vermont Cancer Center and Wake Forest Medical School have identified a new therapeutic approach that is causing considerable optimism. Researchers discovered that tumor cells produce a lot

of waste and that the cells must dispose of or it can become toxic to the tumor and kill it. The new drug is designed to inhibit a tumor cell's ability to manage its toxic waste. Researchers noted that it is basically "like putting a potato into the tailpipe. The tumor cells choke on their own exhaust."

While the research has been centered around mesothelioma, there is considerable data to suggest the therapy could work on other cancers as well. Clinical trials are underway throughout the United Kingdom and may move to the U.S. in 2022.

Exposure to asbestos causes almost all mesothelioma cases. Mesothelioma often



develops decades after asbestos exposure occurs because it takes time for asbestos fibers to cause the damage that leads to cancer. If you have been diagnosed with mesothelioma or asbestosis, you may have the right to recover compensation that can help you and your family. Contact us to see if we can help with your case.



Veterans Scholarship Winner



Marcos Alvarez

Charles E. Boyk Law Offices, LLC is committed to supporting the servicemen and women who help make this country so great. In order to help them pursue

their dreams after serving, we decided to create the Boyk Law Veterans Scholarship in order to help relieve the financial stress that is often associated with higher education. The Boyk Law Veterans Scholarship was created in 2015 and has been helping those who have either served in the Armed Forces themselves or are children of US Veterans ever since.

This year's scholarship received numerous qualified applicants, making the selection incredibly difficult. After careful consideration, we are excited to announce that Marcos Alvarez has been selected as the winner of the 2021 Boyk Law Veteran Scholarship!

Marcos was born in Southern California and currently attends Rio Hondo College where he majors in Electric Vehicles and Fuel Cell technology. He received his

Bachelor of Arts in English Literature from U.C. Berkeley in 2018, where he graduated with honors. Currently, Marcos is the owner of a vehicle services business that helps support veterans in his community by providing high-tech mobile mechanic services. In addition to his academic achievements, he has received two Army Commendations and two Army Achievement Medals for his technical expertise and valorous service. We are so grateful for Marcos and his service and are excited to see what he does next! Here is what Marcos had to say when he found out he was selected as the winner of the 2021 Boyk Law Veterans Scholarship:

"Thank you very much, Charles E. Boyk, for giving me the honor of communicating my veteran experience with you and being your scholarship winner on this Veteran's Day. For me, Veteran's Day is not a day of celebration but a day of reflection and writing for your scholarship was profoundly meditative and reflective.

Explaining the veteran experience to the non-military populace is extremely difficult due to the gravity of the situation. Winning the scholarship has made me feel listened to and understood. Thank you for the scholarship and thank you very much for hearing my story."

RECIPE:

Bobbi-Jo's Famous Killer Cheese Ball



INGREDIENTS:

- 2 packages of cream cheese, softened
- 1 large jar of dried beef
- 1 small onion or 2 to 3 green onions, minced or chopped depending on how big you like onion pieces

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Chop or mince onions. Chop dried beef.
2. Mix all ingredients together in a large bowl by hand or using an electric mixer.
3. Form into a ball shape, cover with plastic wrap or an air tight container and refrigerate overnight.
4. Enjoy with your favorite type of crackers or perfect on a toasted bagel too.

CASES OF INTEREST: DECEMBER 2021

T-bone Accident Ejects Woman from Vehicle

Our client was a passenger in a vehicle traveling southbound in Roxand Township, Michigan. As our client's vehicle entered an intersection, another driver traveling westbound disregarded the stop sign and T-boned the vehicle our client was traveling in. Upon impact our client was thrown from the vehicle and suffered a degloving injury to her hand. She also suffered fractures to her neck, ribs and jaw. She underwent significant skin grafts and spent several days in a hyperbaric chamber. Our client is undergoing extensive treatment and faces a long road to recovery.

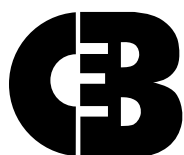
Drunk Driver Flips Vehicle Causing Extensive Injuries to Passenger

Our client was a passenger in a vehicle traveling on a county road in Sandusky Township, Ohio. The driver had been drinking and was operating the vehicle at a speed of approximately 140 mph. The driver lost control of the vehicle, drove off the roadway, struck a fence, and drove through a ditch causing the vehicle to flip multiple times before striking a utility pole. Our client was life-flighted to Toledo Hospital. He suffered a broken back and underwent a spinal fusion which required placement of two metal rods. Our office is pursuing a claim against the driver of the vehicle.

Mail Carrier Hospitalized for Several Days after a Dog Attack

Our client was working as a postal carrier and was delivering mail in Swanton, Ohio. As he was walking his normal route, a dog which was not on a leash, ran off a home's front porch and attacked the mail carrier's hand and chest. He suffered multiple puncture wounds to his hand and was taken to the hospital by EMS. The wound became infected and our client was kept in the hospital for several days. He is now pursuing a workers' compensation claim and a separate claim against the dog owner.





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December's Raving Fan of the Month

My parents were in a car accident. My mother was hurt badly, and this law firm went out of their way to help them. I couldn't be more thankful.

Everyone is so nice and treated us like we were their biggest concern.

Thank you. - Linda R.

Have a positive review to share? Go to boykreviews.com to tell us about your experience!

Employee Spotlight:

ANNE LAWSON



Anne Lawson

Say hello to our newest Paralegal Assistant, Anne! Anne received her Bachelor's in Paralegal Studies from Tiffin University, driven by her passion for crime and law. In fact, she can most often be found cuddling on the couch with her cat, Sarabi, watching True Crime documentaries (or Chicago Fire, as a guilty pleasure). When she isn't enjoying a quiet night in, Anne takes any chance she can to attend live music concerts.



Tabitha Windish

CareGivers360 Winner Selected!



Congratulations to Tabitha Windish from UPMC Koberger Center on being selected as the final winner of CareGivers360!

Each winner was selected from the hundreds of nominees and given an incredible prize pack in celebration of their service to others. Charles E. Boyk Law Offices, LLC is very proud to be a sponsor of CareGivers360! in recognition of those who have gone above and beyond to care for their loved ones, their friends, and their communities.

Thank you to all of those who have made a nomination throughout the past six months. It has been truly inspiring to see all of the stories shared with us. Congratulations once again to Tabitha!

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