

Motorcycle Accidents

Fair Motorcycle Accident Injury Compensation

Being involved in a motorcycle accident is devastating, and medical care in Potomac, MD and the surrounding area is expensive. Many motorcyclists are surprised to learn their immediate medical care can end up costing tens of thousands of dollars for emergency room treatment and initial surgeries alone.

Long-term injuries or permanent injuries may require hundreds of thousands of dollars in medical expenses over the years. In addition, the pain and suffering you may experience after a motorcycle accident can be immense, and you may need to pay for lost time at work as well as repairs to your motorcycle.

Luckily, there are options. You may be able to pursue a claim against the manufacturer of your motorcycle if defective design or manufacturing led to your injuries. If another driver was negligent or reckless and caused your crash, you may have a claim against them and their insurance company. A motorcycle accident lawyer can help you decide whether to sue for motorcycle accident injuries, negotiate with your insurance company or take other actions to protect yourself.

If you are worried about your finances after a crash, contact Shulman Rogers for a free consultation. Our law firm serves clients across Washington D.C. and the surrounding areas, and we would be happy to offer you a free consultation so we can answer your questions and put your mind at ease.

Other Challenges of Motorcycle Accidents

Money isn't the only concern for someone involved in a motorcycle crash. Motorcyclists are sometimes unfairly blamed for causing an accident. This can happen because of prejudices against riders or because drivers mistakenly assume motorcyclists are much more flexible on the road and can take steps to avoid an accident.

In many cases, it takes an investigation to find out what really caused your collision. At Shulman Rogers, we work with investigators and other professionals to find out what caused your crash so you can enjoy some peace of mind, and so you can sue for the compensation you deserve after your motorcycle accident.

Causes of Motorcycle Accidents

There were 273 motorcycle accidents in Washington D.C. in 2012, accounting for 1.5% of traffic crashes in the area. Overall, the number of motorcycle accidents in the metro area has been increasing, especially for the under-40 riders. These crashes are often devastating and can impact entire families.

Do you know where to turn if you've been in a motorcycle accident in the Baltimore, MD area? If you have been injured, it is vital to contact a motorcycle injury lawyer right away. While you probably have insurance for your motorcycle and you may expect this insurance will cover your costs, in many cases it does not. Insurance policies have caps, and if your injury costs exceed these caps, you are expected to pay for the additional costs out-of-pocket.

For more than 40 years, the attorneys at Shulman Rogers have worked hard to help plaintiffs who have been injured in traffic accidents. In our work, we have found motorcycle accidents are often caused by:

- **Driver error.** Speeding, reckless driving, running red lights and other mistakes drivers make can easily lead to an accident. When other drivers are reckless, they should be held responsible for the accidents they cause.
- **Road conditions.** Sometimes, debris on the road, potholes and other road issues caused by poor construction, faulty road maintenance or nearby roadwork can lead to devastating consequences for motorcyclists. In these cases, motorcyclists may have a claim against a construction company, municipality or other liable parties.
- **Mechanical issues.** Motorcycle companies aren't always as careful as they could be when designing and manufacturing motorcycles and parts. Perhaps the brakes, tires or other systems of your motorcycle failed to work correctly, directly contributing to your accident and injuries. If this is the case, the attorneys at Shulman Rogers can investigate what caused your accident and can file a claim against the manufacturer for your damages.

If you have been injured in a motorcycle accident, it's only natural to have questions about what happened and what you should do next. If you are in this situation, the attorneys at Shulman Rogers are standing by to help. We serve clients throughout the Potomac, Maryland area and beyond. Contact us today for a free consultation.