

Initial Steps to Take Following An Automobile Accident

Porter Law Firm Provides Safety Tips to Drivers Involved In A Car Accident

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE ([PRWEB](#)) January 20, 2016 -- The odds of getting into a car accident increase during periods when there are more cars on the road, such as rush hour, or when driving conditions are worsened due to extreme weather. How you react during the accident can prevent further injuries and reduce any costs associated. Here are a few tips to keep in mind if you or a loved one are involved in a car accident.

Drivers should always have a cell phone as well as emergency contact numbers in case the driver is unable to respond, pen and paper for taking detailed notes of the accident and a card with information about medical allergies or conditions in case of serious injuries.

Drivers involved in minor accidents should move cars to the side of the road and out of the way of oncoming traffic to reduce the risk of additional accidents and injuries. If a vehicle cannot be moved, drivers and passengers should remain in their vehicles with seatbelts fastened at all times. It is also important to stay as visible as possible using flares if available and by turning your hazard lights on.

After the accident, its important to exchange name, address, phone number, insurance company, policy number, driver license number and license plate number for the driver and the owner of each vehicle. Make sure to have a written description of each car, including the year, make, model and color — and the exact location of the accident and how it happened. Finally, be polite but don't declare any fault to the accident, even if you think it was yours.

Use your camera to document the damage of all vehicles involved. You want your photos to show the overall situation of the accident so that you can make your case to a claims adjuster. Obtain any information you can from witnesses so they may be able to help you if the other drivers dispute your version of what happened.

About The Porter Law Firm, PLLC

Personal injury lawyer Matthew Porter, who practices primarily in Memphis, Tennessee, leads The Porter Law Firm. The firm's areas of representation include victims of car accidents, motorcycle accidents and truck accidents in Tennessee. Personal injury cases are also an area of representation and include, slip and fall accidents, injury to children, the elderly or others due to negligence and medical malpractice, including wrongful death. Porter also includes in his practice areas product liability and denial of insurance benefits,. Porter is a member of the American Association for Justice, the Tennessee Association for Justice, the Million Dollar Advocates Forum, and the Multi-Million Dollar Advocates Forum. For more information visit <http://www.porterlawfirm.com>



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