

## Santa Ana Car Accident Attorney at California Law Associates Weighs In On Report About Eating and Driving Risks

*The Orange County personal injury lawyer says drivers might not realize that eating behind the wheel can pose a serious threat to themselves and others sharing the road.*

Santa Ana, CA ([PRWEB](#)) December 31, 2013 -- Commenting on a study that suggests eating while driving can be dangerous, Santa Ana car accident lawyer Shehzad Ahmad of [California Law Associates](#) said he was not at all surprised to read the findings, as he often sees injury cases involving distractions of all kinds.

Ahmad weighed in on a [CBS Los Angeles](#) report ("Eating While Driving Significantly Increases Chances Of A Car Accident, Experts Say," November 11) which indicated that drivers who eat while behind the wheel may be 80 percent more likely to cause a car accident in California.

"People lead busy lives and might not think twice about having a bite to eat while driving," Ahmad said. "They might know that texting while driving is dangerous and never use a cellphone behind the wheel, but think that eating a sandwich while driving is no big deal. However, as the report indicates, eating while driving is a significant distraction. We urge people to avoid all distractions and focus on being responsible drivers."

According to CBS Los Angeles, eating while behind the wheel is not illegal in California but is considered unsafe by law enforcement officials. CBS Los Angeles said that drivers may be more likely to engage in different forms of distracted driving due to busy rush hour traffic and other factors that keep drivers behind the wheel longer.

The CBS Los Angeles report said that eating while driving can be dangerous because drivers attempt to combine driving on busy Orange County roads and freeways with eating – in some cases – a full breakfast or dinner. Furthermore, if food or a hot beverage spills onto a driver's lap, police say, the driver may immediately take his eyes off the road and focus his attention on the spill, CBS Los Angeles said.

"It's not hard to imagine how a driver would react if he spilled a hot coffee on his lap while driving on a freeway. Even if you don't spill anything, when you are eating or drinking while driving you are not completely focused on the road. Eating while driving is a form of distracted driving that could easily lead to a rear-end accident," said Ahmad, a car accident lawyer in Santa Ana.

Ahmad said anyone injured by a distracted driver or families who lose loved ones because of careless drivers may be entitled to compensation. He urges victims to seek the advice of legal counsel.

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For nearly two decades, California Law Associates has served the legal needs of clients in Santa Ana, Rancho Santa Margarita, Los Angeles, and across all of southern California. The experienced attorneys at California Law Associates have over 50 years of combined experience protecting the rights of Southern Californians and handle a variety of cases, from auto accidents and workplace accidents to workers' compensation claims. Lead attorney Shehzad Ahmad has practiced personal injury law since 1995 and has a strong track record for obtaining large, multi-million dollar settlements or verdicts for his clients. He works closely with each client to build a strategy that suits his or her specific legal needs.



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