

RECENT CASE RESULTS

\$1,625,000*

CONSTRUCTION ACCIDENT

Our client was a union carpenter working on a luxury high rise building in Manhattan when his accident occurred. He was 12 feet above a concrete floor securing plywood to a deck platform when the beam he was standing on twisted, causing him to fall backwards onto the concrete. The beam had not been secured by the crew that built the platform, nor was any safety railing installed. The injuries our client sustained are permanent and life altering. He endured back surgery, and will have permanent pain, loss of range of motion, weakness, and the need to use a walking aid. His injuries will affect his ability to earn a living for the remainder of his working years.

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\$2,500,000*

PEDESTRIAN KNOCKDOWN

Our client, a 68 year old retired machinist for 7-Up, was crossing North Ave. in New Rochelle, NY, when he was struck by the Defendant's car. Defendant driver was a 78 year old woman who wore thick glasses. She did not know that she struck the our client until after she got out of her car. Eyewitnesses said that Plaintiff was crossing against the light and outside the crosswalk. Our client suffered leg and knee fractures as well as fractured skull, which resulted in a traumatic brain injury. Our client had no memory of the accident. He was placed in a nursing home, where he lived for 2 years until he died. This case settled before trial.

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\$450,000*

CONSTRUCTION ACCIDENT

Our client was on her job as an environmental inspector at a Queens, New York bridge constructions site. A subcontractor had failed to follow industry procedure and used a makeshift device to move the containment unit that plaintiff had to navigate when doing her inspection. As she descended a ladder, a 1" metal cable broke free, hitting her in the head and causing her to fall off the ladder to a platform five feet below. Our client was diagnosed with a closed head injury and PTSD and 7 years later is still in treatment. This case settled at Mediation.

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ANDREW FINKELSTEIN, ASKED TO JOIN DISTINGUISHED PANEL AT HARVARD LAW SCHOOL

Managing Partner Andrew Finkelstein participated in a panel discussion on "Disruptive Innovation in the Market for Legal Services" at Harvard Law School's March conference. Joining Finkelstein on the panel were other recognized legal experts including Incoming President of the American Bar Association, William Hubbard, Director of Policy at Cooperative Legal Services, Christina Blacklaws, Chief Executive of UK Legal Services Board, Chris Kenny, and Chairman of Deloitte Legal, Ian Tod.

As a panel member, Finkelstein addressed the issue of non-lawyer ownership of law firms in the United States. "Prohibiting non-lawyers from having an ownership stake in U.S. law

firms inhibits a firm's opportunities for growth and change," said Finkelstein. "The silos that attorneys are forced to stay within stifle innovation and as a result limit access to legal assistance for many who need it."



Ian Tod (left), Andrew Finkelstein (center), Christina Blacklaws (right)

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Finkelstein, who believes excluding non-lawyer investment in law firm ownership is unconstitutional, has begun challenging this statute in court. "80 percent of the poor in this country do not have access to legal services," said Finkelstein. "We must be responsive to the need and make service more accessible - looking at new ways to do things so that more may be served is at the heart of what disruptive innovation is all about," added Finkelstein.

As a firm that is devoted to our clients, we are constantly looking for the latest and most innovative ways to offer our clients more affordable services while providing unsurpassed legal representation.

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MOTORCYCLE SAFETY THIS SEASON

With the warm weather having finally arrived, we are seeing more motorcycles on the road. Cars and trucks should always use caution when traveling near motorcycles. Always share the road and never tailgate.

Approximately 80% of reported motorcycle crashes result in injury or death, according to the motorcycle safety guide by the National Highway Traffic Safety Association. Motorcycle fatalities represent 5% of all highway fatalities each year.

As a motorcyclist, your chance of survival can be increased by following these simple safety tips:

- **Never Ride without a Helmet and Eye Protection:** check your helmet for the DOT logo to ensure that it complies with DOT requirements.
- **Read the Owner's Manual:** familiarize yourself with your motorcycle.
- **Attend a Motorcycle Training Course:** it is the best way to learn how to operate a motorcycle safely and skillfully.
- **Wear the Correct Shoes, Gloves & Clothing:** thick, protective attire is all that is between you and the pavement in the event of a crash. It could save your life.
- **Abide By Traffic Rules & Regulations:** the same traffic rules that apply to other motorists apply to you as a motorcyclist.
- **Ride with a Passenger with Caution:** riding with a passenger requires even more skill than riding alone.
- **Avoid Riding Between Lanes:** never ride between lanes of slow moving or stopped traffic. Never share a lane with another vehicle.
- **Be Alert at Intersections:** this is where 70% of motorcycle collisions occur. Watch for vehicles that may unexpectedly turn in front of you or pull out in front of you. Be prepared to react quickly.
- **Assume That You Are Invisible to Other Motorists:** position yourself so that you are seen. Ride in the portion of the lane where it is most likely that you will be seen by others on the road. Avoid "no-zones" or blind spots.

If you or a loved one has been seriously injured in a motorcycle accident, contact Jacoby and Meyers today and fill out our free case evaluation form on our website: www.jmlawyer.com

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Every year, the New York Law Journal publishes the Top New York Settlements magazine to analyze the top settlements of that particular year. In 2013, Jacoby & Meyers was recognized in the magazine for having one of the top New York case summaries in 2013! Our client was involved in a motor vehicle accident with an inattentive trucker who collided with the plaintiff's truck, resulting in numerous fractures. Our hard working team at Jacoby & Meyers was able to reach a settlement of \$5 million for our client.

TESTOSTERONE THERAPY MAY INCREASE THE RISK OF ISCHEMIC STROKE, HEART ATTACK OR DEATH!

WARNING! On January 14, 2014 the FDA issued a safety alert with respect to drugs containing testosterone based on two published studies that suggested an increased risk of cardiovascular events among men who are prescribed testosterone therapy. These studies indicated that these drugs may increase the risk of ischemic stroke, heart attack or death.

If you or a loved one suffered a stroke, heart attack, deep vein thrombosis, pulmonary embolus or other clot related injury while taking a testosterone product you may be entitled to compensation. Please contact our office for a free consultation.

The following brand name drugs contain testosterone:

- **Androgel** – AbbVie Pharmaceuticals
- **Androderm** – Actavis, Inc.
- **Axiron** – Ely Lilly & Company
- **Bio-T-Gel** – Biosante/Teva Pharmaceutical Industries
- **Delatestryl** – Sandoz Canada Inc.
- **Depo Testosterone** – Pfizer Inc.
- **Foresta** – Endo Pharmaceuticals
- **Striant** – Actient Pharmaceuticals
- **Testim** – Auxilium Pharmaceuticals
- **Testopel** – Auxilium Pharmaceuticals

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Our Newark office has moved to another building! We are now located at 50 Park Place, Suite 1101 Newark, NJ 07102. You can contact us at this office anytime by calling: **973-643-2707**

MAYOR BILL DE BLASIO TAKES ACTION TO IMPROVE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IN NYC

Earlier this year, Mayor Bill de Blasio outlined a set of proposals aimed at improving the safety of our pedestrians here in NYC. His end goal: to eliminate traffic fatalities.

In the past 3 years, 683 pedestrians have been killed in traffic accidents in the NY area. The 42-page plan, known as Vision Zero, treats all traffic deaths as inherently preventable. The most significant changes involve the NYPD, whose officers will increase precinct-level enforcement of speeding. Other measures include the widening of parking lanes, to keep delivery vehicles out of travel lanes while double-parked, and the use of an automated system that would

pause a taxicab meter if a driver exceeds the speed limit.

“Our lives are literally in each other’s hands,” Mr. de Blasio said at a news conference at Public School 75 on the Upper West Side, an area where three pedestrians were killed in fewer than 10 days last month. “Our children’s lives are in each other’s hands.”

In 2013, 176 pedestrians were killed in traffic in New York, according to police statistics.

Some of the mayor’s proposals – like lowering the citywide speed limit to 25mph from 30mph

and expanding red-light and speed cameras that issue tickets – require approval from Albany.

So far this year, the Police Department has devoted increased attention to jaywalking. Jaywalking tickets issued have increased by nearly 800% already this year. Tickets issued to drivers fell slightly. However, the stronger emphasis of this program would be on increasing the enforcement of violations like failing to yield, improper turning or using a phone while driving.

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OUR NEW SISTER FIRM: FINKELSTEIN, BLANKINSHIP, FREI-PEARSON & GARBER, LLP.



Attorneys from left to right: Greg Blankinship, Todd Garber, Andrew Finkelstein, Jeremiah Frei-Pearson

With the addition of our new sister firm Finkelstein, Frei-Pearson & Garber, we will keep you up to date on the latest class action lawsuits! The lawyers at our class action firm are deeply committed to helping regular people who have been wronged by powerful businesses. We are proud to represent consumers, employees, and others who have been harmed by corporate greed and unlawful practices.

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Michael H. “I would like to thank my attorneys David Gross and Bob Borrero as well as the case managers Ana Di Silva and Lorraine Caffrey. From the beginning of my case to the end I felt total confidence in their abilities, and they proved me right! They are not just great at their job they are great people too... Thank you all for your hard work and compassion during this difficult time. It is greatly appreciated.”

Donna K. “Your staff was very knowledgeable, kind, and confident. You did everything necessary to keep me informed and comfortable. Case Manager, Lynn Plass has been a great help and so pleasant!! It has been my pleasure to have met your attorneys.”