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SUMMER EDITION

In Case of a Car Accident: Download the FREE

This free app from Buckfire & Buckfire, P.C. is the first thing Michigan drivers should reach for if they are involved in a car accident.

Being in a car accident is a frightening experience. It is important that accident victims know exactly what to do immediately after an accident. To ensure others are well prepared, Buckfire & Buckfire recently released a new iPhone app that includes many features that are helpful at the scene of the accident. **It is the first mobile app created by a Michigan law firm for accident and injury victims.**

Features of the FREE accident lawyer app include:

- Accident Checklist—What to do after an accident
- Capture all auto accident information
- Dial 911 for instant help
- Locate a taxi and tow truck driver using phones' GPS
- Request your accident report
- Take and save photographs of vehicle damage and accident scene
- Record witness statements
- Gather all insurance information
- Document your insurance claim
- Flashlight feature
- Access the Buckfire & Buckfire, P.C. law firm website resource center
- Contact our car accident lawyers to discuss your legal rights and options



All motor vehicle owners/drivers in Michigan should download this free app. This includes all motorcyclists and truck drivers. Make sure to encourage your

spouse, kids, neighbors, and friends to download the app as well so that they too will be well prepared in case of an accident.

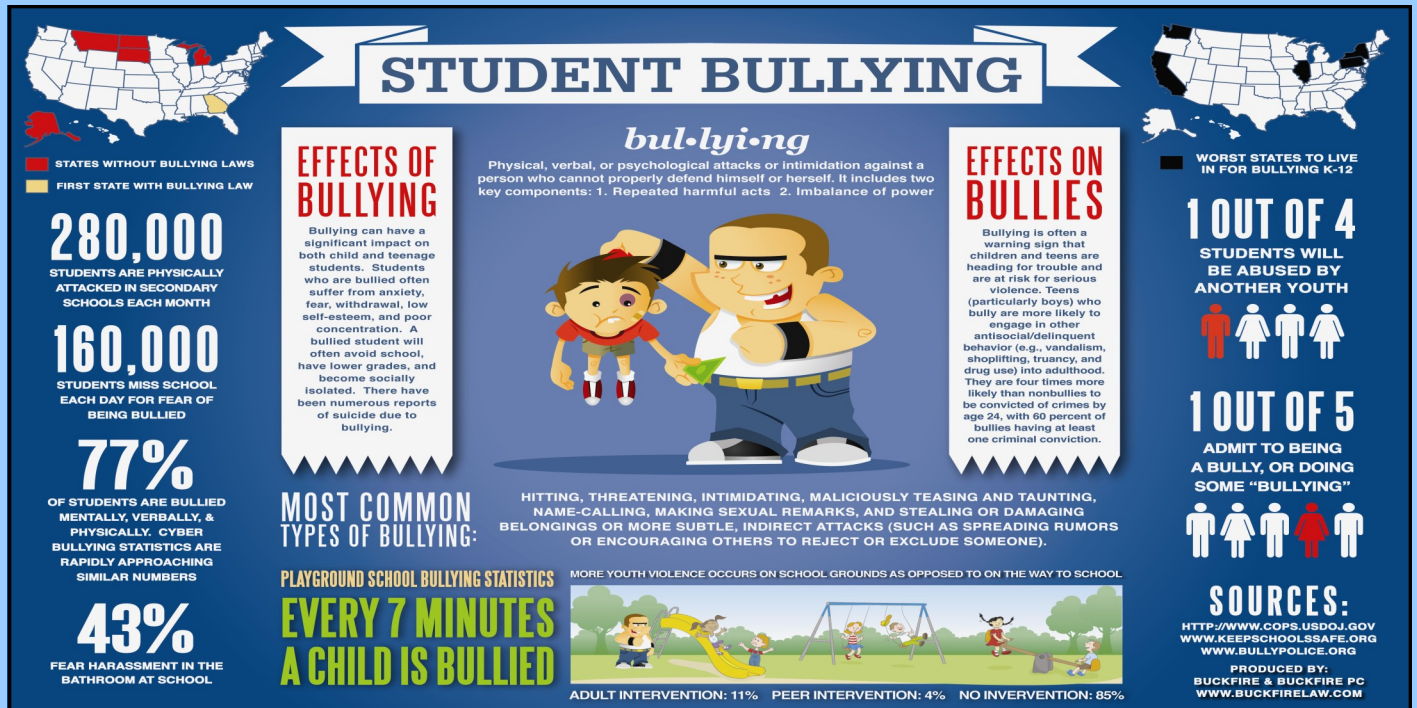
To download the FREE app just go to iTunes or the App Store and search for "Michigan Accident Lawyers" or scan this QR code from your iPhone.



An Android version of the app is coming soon!

Student Bullying In United States Facts & Statistics

As an informational resource, Buckfire & Buckfire created a student bullying infographic. The infographic, pictured below, displays the facts and statistics about student bullying in the United States.



To view the infographic in greater detail visit <http://bit.ly/studentbullyingfacts>

Buckfire & Buckfire is State of Michigan Sponsor for MADD



Macomb County Prosecutor Eric Smith pictured with Buckfire Attorney Robert J. Lantzy at MADD Lifesaver Event.

Buckfire & Buckfire, P.C. has been actively involved in Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), as a fundraiser, Buckfire was the top corporate team for raising funds for MADD's signature event Walk Like MADD, event sponsor, and support for MADD's mission. **Our firm is now proud to announce that we are the State of Michigan Sponsor for MADD!**

Attorney Robert J. Lantzy of Buckfire & Buckfire announced our Michigan State Sponsorship at MADD's LifeSaver Event that took place on June 9th, 2011 where he presented a check for \$10,000. Buckfire & Buckfire donates a total of \$20,00 for the 2011 year to help fund MADD services, which includes furnishing a meeting room at the MADD Michigan Troy, office where victim advocates can meet with victims.

Our Michigan accident law firm specializes in representing victims of drunk driving crashes. Victims of drunk driving crashes do have legal rights and should pursue them immediately. As a resource to crash victims, award winning lawyer, Daniel L. Buckfire offers his book, "The Michigan Drunk Driving Accident Handbook" for free. The book explains Michigan drunk driving crash cases in easy to understand language.

To request your free copy, visit www.BuckfireLaw.com



Motorcycle Accident Attorney George Burke Rams Insurance Company

Our Michigan motorcycle accident attorney, George Burke, obtained a significant jury verdict in a motorcycle accident insurance trial. The lawsuit was filed by Grange Insurance Company against four bikers injured in a motorcycle accident. The insurance company had refused to pay essential Michigan No-Fault Insurance benefits to the motorcyclists and their passengers that resulted from a September 20, 2008 accident.

The injuries on the motorcyclists included sprains, road rash to broken bones requiring surgery. Attorney George Burke defended the motorcyclists presenting strong evidence that the insurance company was responsible for no-fault benefits.

The case was tried before a jury for two days in the Monroe County Circuit Court. The jury awarded the motorcyclists \$337,000 in no-fault insurance benefits and determined that the insurance company must pay \$98,000 in penalty interest and attorney fees.



Attorney George Burke Wins Motorcycle Accident Trial

RECENT FIRM SETTLEMENTS

Below is a representative sample of our firm's recent successes for our clients.

- **\$950,000 settlement** for a St. Clair County car accident lawsuit on behalf of a patient with orthopedic and neurological injuries.
- **\$800,000 truck accident settlement** for an injured client who was struck by a semi-truck.
- **\$485,000 settlement** against a Detroit casino for a woman who suffered a herniated disc in her lower back due to a defective condition on the premises.
- **\$375,000 Oakland County wrongful death settlement** for a fatal car-pedestrian accident.
- **\$110,000 Brighton dog bite settlement** for a young woman who suffered facial scars in the attack.
- **\$100,000 Grand Rapids motorcycle accident settlement** for an injured biker.
- **\$60,000 settlement** for a Battle Creek slip and fall on ice case at an apartment complex.

Viral Video Regional Winner Announced!

You voted and now we have the results! See what video won with the help of your votes and the opinion of the American Lawyer Academy (ALA).

Watch the video now, "Driving Safety Stopmotion" at <http://bit.ly/northernregionalwinner>

This video is now in the running for the national grand prize of \$10,000 scholarship or the second place prize of \$3,000 scholarship.

Videos were selected using the following scoring matrix: Public voting/Viral nature of the entries, including votes (65%), views (25%), and likes (10%), account for 30% of the final results. The remaining 70% is based on creativity and originality (25%), entertainment value (15%), and video quality (10%).

ALA, the Viral Video Scholarship Contest was created as a community service project to help educate the public on safe driving practices by awarding a scholarship to the film student or video production enthusiast who creates the best public announcement viral video. The scholarship program is dedicated to thousands of accident victims who are injured or killed in motor vehicle collisions each year in the U.S.

Buckfire & Buckfire would like to thank all who submitted and voted for making the ALA 2010-11 Viral Video Scholarship Contest a success!



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Cases of Interest our office is handling...

- A **medical malpractice case** against a surgeon for failing to diagnose a bowel obstruction in a hospitalized patient. The patient died due to negligent medical care.
- A **motorcycle accident lawsuit** on behalf of two bikers injured while traveling in Florida. They both suffered serious injuries due to the negligent driving of a motorist.
- A **toxic poisoning case** in Grand Rapids against a contractor who failed to properly ventilate the lower level of a home while making repairs. An entire family was hospitalized due to carbon monoxide poisoning.
- A **nursing home neglect case** against a nursing home for failing to implement a fall prevention plan for an elderly patient with a history of a previous fall. The resident fell and suffered a fractured hip which required surgery.

REFERRALS

We want you to think of us as your law firm.

If you have any legal matters that need attention, please let us know. If we cannot handle the matter, we will refer you to a competent firm that can.

Please feel free to refer us to your family, friends, and neighbors for their legal needs. We welcome the opportunity to help.



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