

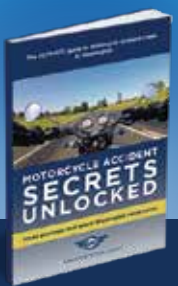


MAX MEYERS LAW **SPOKE & WHEEL**



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PLEASE, PLEASE Let There Be Football this Fall!!



by Max Meyers

TRUTH BE TOLD I'M A ONE SPORT FAN - FOOTBALL IS MY JAM.

I love it and America loves it. No disrespect to baseball, but I believe Football is our National past time now. For me it doesn't matter the level... NFL, College, or High School. It's not uncommon for me and Shelly to drop in for a high school football game at POP Keeney Stadium in our hometown of Bothell. It's truly a great place for some grassroots football.

Hopefully, football will still be on by the time you are reading this. I firmly believe that for many, watching live sports is a great source of enjoyment and stress relief. I know it is for me. The thought of watching my Seattle Seahawks and WSU Cougars square off on the gridiron makes me smile and hopeful for the future. We are all feeling drained by the COVID restraints and praying for something fun to look forward to.

Every year we send out a football schedule magnet, which has been on hold due to all the uncertainties. However, the football season (as of the beginning of August) appears ready to

go. We are busy prepping the Football schedules now and you should receive them soon. I know many of you love to have those posted on your fridge, so have no fear... they are on the way.

We all at MML hope you have a safe and fun Fall with as much football as possible!!

Feel free to share your Fandom pics with us and we may publish them in a future newsletter.

Email them to us at info@maxmeyerslaw.com.



NEW!

THE MAX MEYERS LAW COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Max Meyers Law believes in supporting those who look to further their education.

College costs continue to rise each year, which can cause stress and financial burden to families in our community. We want students to be able to focus on learning and not have to worry about how they will pay for their schooling.

This is why we have rolled out the Max Meyers Law Scholarship program!

A \$2,500 scholarship will be given to the individual who is selected as the winner of our essay challenge. To learn more about how to apply, please visit our website at maxmeyerslaw.com/scholarship.



Who is AT FAULT for a TEXTING WHILE WALKING Accident?

Distracted walking is a bigger problem than most people think. Many would not think twice about walking while texting, reading, listening to music, or balancing a package; however, these behaviors can lead to devastating walking while texting accidents. While most people think the driver is at fault in a pedestrian accident, liability can be more complicated if the pedestrian was distracted.

WHO IS LIABLE IF A CAR HITS A DISTRACTED PEDESTRIAN?

Liability will be different in every distracted pedestrian accident. The actions of each party will result in one of three liability situations:

A DISTRACTED PEDESTRIAN AND A FOCUSED DRIVER.

A focused driver who is driving within the limits of the law might not be liable for the accident if the pedestrian did not give the driver enough time to stop. The driver must be able to prove s/he was not driving impaired, distracted, or dangerously.

A DISTRACTED PEDESTRIAN AND A DISTRACTED DRIVER.

When distractions affect the pedestrian and driver, both parties might share the liability. Sharing liability does not mean you cannot recover compensation. To recover the damages in this situation, a division of fault will need to be established by agreement or by decision in a lawsuit. Cases like this often result in the need for a lawsuit to determine fault division.

A DISTRACTED PEDESTRIAN AND A RECKLESS, AGGRESSIVE, OR DRUNK DRIVER.

Even though the pedestrian in this example was distracted, the insurance company could find the driver more at fault because s/he willingly engaged in dangerous behavior.

The pedestrian will need to prove the driver was aware of the danger s/he posed. To hold the driver completely liable, the pedestrian

would have to prove the accident would have happened even if s/he were not distracted.

For example, if the driver ran a red light and hit a distracted pedestrian while crossing at an intersection (when the pedestrian had the right-of-way), the insurer or court might find the driver totally liable.

WHY ARE DISTRACTED PEDESTRIANS A PROBLEM?

When we think about distractions on the road, most people tend to go directly to drivers. While driver distraction is a significant problem on our roads, distracted pedestrians are also a cause for concern. All people on roadways are expected and required to act and conduct themselves in a reasonable manner.



When a pedestrian is distracted, s/he is unaware of their surroundings, which can lead to dangerous actions and decisions. For example, a pedestrian with loud music playing through his/her headphones might not be able to hear approaching traffic or sirens and step into the road without noticing a nearby vehicle.

Even though pedestrians can maneuver easier than vehicles, if they step too closely into the path of a vehicle, the vehicle might not have time to stop. The faster a vehicle goes, the longer it takes the vehicle to stop. Additionally, a fast-moving vehicle will hit a pedestrian with more force and cause more serious damages.

HOW CAN I PROTECT MY RIGHT TO RECOVERY IF I WAS INJURED WHILE WALKING WHILE DISTRACTED?

You are entitled to compensation for your injuries as long as you are not totally at-fault for the accident. Washington State's pure comparative negligence laws allow each injured party to recover compensation. Therefore, even if your distraction was the main cause of the accident, as long as the insurance company finds you 99 percent at fault or less, you will still be able to collect the remaining percentage as a settlement.

For example, if the insurance company finds you to be 75 percent at fault and your insurance settlement is for \$100,000 you would still be able to collect the remainder — 25 percent or \$25,000 — as your compensation. While \$25,000 seems like a lot of money, pedestrian accident injuries can quickly top that. For this reason, you will want the insurer to find you played as little role in causing the accident as possible.

The insurance adjuster will assess your degree of fault based on the evidence you provide to support your claim for damages. In a pedestrian accident, your evidence might include:

- Police reports
- Photographs or video of the accident
- Eyewitness or expert witness statements

If you have been involved in an accident as a pedestrian, please give us a call and learn your rights before talking to any insurance adjusters.

Max Meyers Law provides free, no-obligation consultations to injured pedestrians seeking information about their rights to recovery.

Call us at **425-276-7804** to learn about how we can help your claim.

What Our Clients Are Saying...

"Excellent Attorney!"

I am very satisfied that I had Max Meyers represent me in my personal injury case after a motor vehicle accident. He was very approachable, thorough, professional and honest when reviewing my case with me. I am grateful that I found such an experienced attorney. Mr. Meyers, and his staff, handled all the aspects and details of my case. He was essential in obtaining a successful outcome for me and my case. I would strongly recommend his services to anyone who has suffered a personal injury after an accident.

- Anonymous

"Professionalism, Quality, Responsiveness"

I had a wonderful experience with Max and would highly recommend to anyone needing a personal injury/car accident lawyer! I hired Max after I was hit by a car walking through a crosswalk. Max and Naomi were compassionate and took the time to answer all my questions and walk me through this process. They were communicative and responded quickly when I reached out with further questions and updates. They helped ease my stress and I am very happy with the result of my case. My only regret was not hiring Max immediately after my accident!

- Tara Meek



Shelly's RECIPE CORNER

SPICY NOODLES

This is a recipe shared by our very own team member, Lisa. One of her favorites... enjoy!

Ingredients:

- 1 box linguine
- 6 Tablespoons soy sauce
- 6 cloves garlic chopped
- 2 teaspoons chili flakes (more if you like spicy)
- 2 teaspoons sesame oil
- 3 Tablespoons vegetable oil
- Green onions, chopped
- Sesame seeds

Directions:

Cook noodles - Drain do not rinse.
For the sauce: mix all of the ingredients together and pour over hot noodles.
Toss with sauce and garnish with chopped green onions and sesame seeds.
Serve hot or cold.



Have an amazing recipe you think MML Spoke & Wheel readers would love? Send it to us, we'll try it, and if we love it too you could see your recipe in the pages of a future newsletter.



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Where Accident Victims Get Help



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DAWN'S BOOK REVIEW

Where the Crawdads Sing

A good friend of mine recently recommended that I read Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens. She found the book through Reese Witherspoon's book club recommendations and everyone I spoke with who read the book had rave reviews.

I was a little skeptical (I am normally more of a non-fiction reader), but I decided to give it a try and absolutely fell in love with the book!

To quote one of the many rave reviews of this book: "One of the joys of that book was the Owens' description of the natural world, and Where the Crawdads

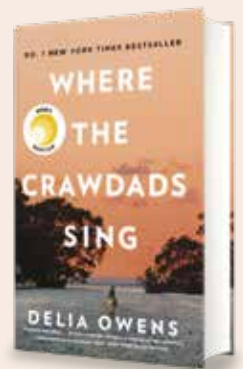
Sing is immersed in the natural world as well.

The story is set in the 1950s and revolves around a young woman named Kya Clark, who is from extremely rural North Carolina. Known by others as the Marsh Girl, she lives alone in nature—but the draw of other people, and specifically love, brings her into contact with the greater world.

This novel has a mystery at its core, but it can be read on a variety of levels. There is great nature writing; there is coming of age; and there is literature. Crawdads is a story lovingly told—one

that takes its time in developing its characters and setting, and in developing the story. You'll want to relax and take your time as well, and when you're done you will want to talk about it with another reader."

If you are a book lover like me, I highly recommend giving this one a read!



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