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5 Great Hiking Trails in Western Washington

Now that Spring is finally here, it is time to get outside and take advantage of warmer weather and extended daylight hours! Western Washington has a number of great hiking trails that are suited for all ability levels. If you are looking to get over the winter blues with some good ole' Pacific Northwest fresh air, check out one of these popular hikes:

Rattlesnake Ledge North Bend

Distance: 4.0 miles
Difficulty: Easy

Notes: This hike is located on the Eastern edge of Rattlesnake Ridge. Enjoy views of the Cedar River watershed, Mount Si, Mount Washington, Rattlesnake Lake and Chester Morse Lake.

Bandera Mountain Snoqualmie Pass

Distance: 8.0 miles (half day)
Difficulty: Moderate

Notes: Enjoy breathtaking views of the Cascade Mountains while hiking along a rocky ridge to Little Bandera. If you so choose, you can continue the hike up another half mile to the full summit.

Poo Poo Point Issaquah/Tiger Summit

Distance: 7.4 miles
Difficulty: Moderate

Notes: A popular location for hang gliders and paragliders! The trail is steep, but fairly short. You will enjoy a wonderful view of Mount Rainier, creeks and flowers.

Hannegan Pass and Peak Mt. Baker

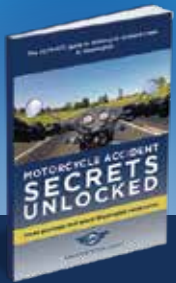
Distance: 10.4 miles (multiple days)
Difficulty: Difficult

Notes: The Pass and Peak offer beautiful alpine wildflowers, waterfalls, glaciers and breathtaking mountain views. You can hike to 5,050 foot Hannegan Pass (about 8 miles roundtrip) or press on to the 6,200 foot summit of Hannegan Peak. (10.6 miles roundtrip)

Mailbox Peak Snoqualmie Pass/North Bend

Distance: 6.0 miles
Difficulty: Difficult

Notes: It is best to do this hike in dry weather. This is a very challenging hike with an elevation change of over 1,000 feet per mile. The hike is only open from May thru November. The view is great, but you will want to practice first before tackling this if you are not an experienced hiker.



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For more about hiking trails in Washington, check out these sites:

- www.wta.org/go-outside/hikes
- www.alltrails.com/us/washington
- www.onlyinyourstate.com/washington/trails-in-wa/



What Clients are Saying about the MML Team...

“Working with Max Meyers law was an outstanding experience.

Very professional, responsible, knowledgeable, trustworthy, and walked me through every step of the lawsuit in detail so I was always prepared.

Was a highly skilled negotiator and I was pleased with the outcome. If I could give 6 stars I would!”

- Heather H.

Five Stars!



MEMORIAL DAY

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IN MEMORY OF OUR HEROES



May Events

May 2 - 5 RV Show

See the latest recreational vehicles at Puyallup RV Show at Washington State Fair Events Center, 110 9th Ave. SW in Puyallup. Children age 17 and younger are free.

Visit www.puyalluprvshow.com/show-information/ for details.

May 16 - 18 Fisherman's Village Music Festival in Everett

Over 25 Live Bands and 5 venues during this 3 day music festival in Everett, WA. Single day and 3 days passes available. Prices range from \$25 - \$164

Visit www.thefishermansvillage.com for details.

May 17 - 19 Viking Festival

Viking Fest celebrates Scandinavian heritage in Poulsbo with a parade, carnival, music, food, and competitions.

Visit www.vikingfest.org for details.

May 19 Sky Valley ABATE Motorcycle Show

The great Motorcycle Show in Snohomish, WA. Tons of cool bikes to see and lots of vendors plus live music.

Visit www.skyvalleyabate.com/motorcycle-show-1 for details.

May 24 - 27 Northwest Folklife Festival - 53rd Annual

One of Seattle oldest festivals returns! Three days of live music, artists and performances. Tons of vendors from food to goods.

Visit www.nwfolklife.org/festival/home.html for details.

How a Dashcam Videos Can Be Used in an Accident Case

If you were in a collision with a commercial vehicle—and the incident wasn't your fault—you have the legal obligation to prove the truck operator was negligent before you're even offered a dollar of compensation in a personal injury claim. There are various sources of evidence to prove what caused the accident—for example, if the semi, tanker, big rig, or Amazon truck had a dashcam, this footage may be used in your case.

HOW A DASHCAM WORKS

Trucking and Delivery companies often install dashcams and other small cameras at various points around a commercial vehicle. These devices are usually automatically activated when a driver starts the vehicle. There are many reasons various cameras are used, including:

- Safety and accident prevention
- Risk management and liability protection
- Driver training and performance evaluation
- Vehicle and cargo security
- To prove compliance with regulations and industry standards

The trucking company may believe that dashcam footage could be used for its benefit to protect it from liability if you file a personal injury lawsuit. However, the dashcam could also show if a trucker violated certain rules, such as making an illegal lane change or driving while distracted.

A driver may even have the ability to edit the footage, which could remove vital proof of their negligence.

Nonetheless, obtaining this evidence may still be helpful to your case. However, a trucking company isn't going to simply hand it over - a knowledgeable attorney will have to request it.

HOW DASHCAM EVIDENCE MAY AFFECT YOUR TRUCK ACCIDENT CASE

You can understand why the trucking company would have an incentive to fail to preserve key evidence in your case, including dashcam footage. **But as soon as you hire a truck accident lawyer, one of the first things we do during the discovery process is send a letter directing them to preserve all relevant evidence in anticipation of litigation.**



On notice of your potential lawsuit, the trucking company could face serious consequences if it fails to maintain or even destroy relevant evidence. It could even be sanctioned or face higher chances of significant damages.

In order to secure the compensation you

deserve, we will collect dashcam footage and other evidence needed to fulfill the following components of a personal injury claim:

1. The semi-truck driver and other defendants owed you a duty of care.
2. The truck operator and other defendants acted negligently.
3. You were injured.
4. The defendants' negligence caused your injuries.
5. The court can award damages for your injuries.

Even if we interview eyewitnesses to the crash, a fleet company might tell a different story that contradicts their story and your own. However, dashcam footage may serve as evidence of what really happened. Unfortunately, although this evidence is usually admissible in court, it still might not be conclusive. While it could show actions like how a commercial vehicle operator turned or steered, it might not quantify things such as how fast they were traveling at the time of the collision.

STEPS TO TAKE AFTER A WASHINGTON TRUCK ACCIDENT

One of the first things that you need to do is call us to handle your truck accident. There are many things happening in the days after such a devastating collision that require you to have legal help. Your lawyer needs to begin an immediate and prompt investigation of the crash, gathering all the evidence necessary,

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Shelley's RECIPE CORNER

Apple Pie Cocktail

Simple and delicious cocktail that's perfect for a nice Spring day!

Ingredients:

- 2 oz. Belvedere Vodka
- 1 Egg White
- 2 oz. Spiced Apple Cider
- pinch of House Made Vanilla-Cinnamon Sugar*

Directions:

Into a drink shaker add 1 egg white, vodka, and spiced cider. Close shaker and shake without ice to start frothing the egg white for about 15 seconds. Add ice to shaker and shake for 30 seconds.

Strain into a Martini glass and sprinkle Vanilla-Cinnamon Sugar on top. Enjoy!

Vanilla-Cinnamon Sugar

Take 1/4 cup granulated sugar, 1/4 cup light brown sugar, 1.5 tbsp. ground cinnamon, and the insides of 2 vanilla beans. Pulse a few times in a food processor.





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Where Accident Victims Get Help



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including potentially viable dashcam footage, to prove liability in your case. Your legal team also communicates with others on your behalf, including trucking company representatives, insurance adjusters, eyewitnesses, expert witnesses, and others. And if you have any relevant evidence in your possession, it's essential to preserve it and give it to counsel right away so we can use that, too.

At the same time, you need to tend to your health. If you've suffered severe accident injuries, as often happens in collisions with multi-ton vehicles, both your well-being and your legal case depend on prompt medical treatment, thorough follow-ups on all directives and medication, and other critical aspects of care. Insurance adjusters analyze every aspect of what you do, so make sure you save all documentation related to medi-

cal care. This information not only tracks the depth of your semi-truck accident injuries but also provides detailed facts of their impact—and acts as another form of evidence we'll use to build your case and assign value to your potential compensation.



Finally, don't try to handle the details of a commercial truck accident on your own. We also encourage you not to speak with insurance adjusters or provide a recorded statement until we've outlined critical factors in your case. A truck company's insurance team is often quite aggressive and will do all it can to compromise your legal rights.

The sooner you call our professionals at Max Meyers Law, the greater the chance we can work quickly and with due diligence to get the results you deserve.

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