

Experience Auto Accident Lawyers Helping You Recover Compensation

Car accidents remain one of the leading causes of [serious injury](#) and [death](#) across the nation and the state of North Carolina. And while the safety features in modern cars do a tremendous job of keeping us safe, the immense forces involved in a car accident often cause a variety of injuries, ranging from minor injuries that require minimal treatment to life-changing injuries that result in life-long disabilities. If you have been injured in a car accident caused by someone else's negligence, you may be entitled to compensation. Whether your injury is comparatively minor or will require extensive medical treatment and a lengthy recovery, a [Raleigh auto accident lawyer](#) at Martin & Jones can protect your rights and help you make a full recovery.

Soft Tissue Injuries

Injuries to the muscles, ligaments, or tendons in your body are some of the most common injuries suffered by car accident victims. Although they may be less serious than other injuries, these soft tissue injuries can still require extensive treatment and rehabilitation and cause considerable pain and discomfort. They can be particularly worrisome for children and the elderly.

One of the challenges with soft tissue injuries is that they are not always immediately apparent and may not be obvious until a few days after the accident. For this reason, they can also often be difficult to diagnose correctly. Many people fail to make the connection that their pain, soreness, or loss of range of motion is due to the accident because they felt "fine" immediately after the accident. If you are experiencing any pain or other symptoms, it is critical to get a thorough medical exam as soon as possible.

Four Types of Soft Tissue Injuries Caused by Raleigh Auto Accidents

Car accidents result in sudden and severe trauma to the body that can cause the body to twist, stretch, or slam into other parts of the vehicle causing the following soft tissue injuries:

- **Sprains:** An overextension of the ligaments in connective tissues found in the joints such as the ankles, knees, shoulders, or elbow. A sprain can be quite painful and result in a limited range of motion.
- **Strains:** An overextension of the tendons, the connective tissue that attaches your muscles to your bones. Strains can also result in pain and a limited range of motion.
- **Tearing injuries:** More severe than a strain or a sprain, these injuries occur when the tendon, ligament, or muscle ruptures, resulting in either a partial or complete tear. These injuries may require surgery and extensive rehabilitation. They can also be quite painful and severely limit your mobility.
- **Contusions:** Bruising that is the result of blunt force trauma to the soft tissues. Many contusions do not require treatment and will go away on their own, while more serious contusions may require medical intervention.

If you have suffered any of these injuries, you may be entitled to compensation and should speak with a Raleigh auto accident law firm to understand your options.

Broken Bones

Broken bones are a common injury, even in relatively minor car accidents. These can include broken limbs, arms, feet, facial fractures, and broken skulls. The compensation that you can seek will depend upon the seriousness of the fracture:

- **Stress fractures** are tiny cracks in the bone caused by severe force or impact.
- **Greenstick fractures** are a partial break where one side of the bone splinters due to bending.
- **Pathologic fractures** are breaks to a disease-weakened bone.
- **Oblique fractures** are breaks that are at an angle to the bone and typically require medical treatment in order to heal properly.
- **Transverse fractures** are breaks that are at a 90-degree angle to the bone and typically require orthopedic surgery.
- **Comminuted fractures** where the bone shatters or breaks into multiple fragments and typically require extensive medical treatment and rehabilitation.

We recommend that you speak with a Raleigh car wreck lawyer if you have suffered a bone fracture, as you are most likely entitled to compensation for not only your medical expenses but your lost wages and your pain and suffering.

Head and Brain Injuries

Head and [brain injuries](#) are some of the most serious injuries you can suffer, and more common than many people realize. In addition, recent medical studies have demonstrated that even minor brain injuries can have long-term health consequences. A Raleigh car accident law firm can help you get the compensation you deserve if you have suffered one of the following head or brain injuries:

- Concussion
- Skull fractures and penetration injuries
- Hemorrhaging (uncontrolled bleeding around or inside the brain)
- Edema (swelling of the brain)
- Intracranial hematoma (the pooling of blood within the skull)
- Diffuse anoxal injuries (damage to the connective tissues in the brain)
- Coup and contrecoup injuries (bruising of the brain)

Neck and Spinal Injuries

Neck and spinal injuries are also common in serious car accidents. These injuries, even when comparatively minor, can impact your daily life either temporarily or long-term. If you have suffered a neck injury, a Raleigh accident attorney can help you get the compensation you need to make a full recovery.

Common Neck Injuries

While many neck injuries may heal over time without extensive medical treatment, they can result in severe pain and discomfort. In addition, some neck injuries may result in long-term injuries if left untreated. Common neck injuries caused by car accidents include the following:

- Whiplash
- Cervical dislocation
- Neck fractures

- Strains or sprains to the ligaments, tendons, and muscles in the neck
- Herniated discs

Spinal Injuries

Spinal injuries are among some of the most serious injuries you can suffer in a car accident. They typically cause severe pain, loss of sensation or mobility, and in some cases, can result in partial or total paralysis. Here are some of the most common spinal injuries that car accident victims experience:

- Herniated discs
- Broken or displaced vertebrae
- Damage to the spinal cord

Damage to the spinal cord is especially serious, regardless of whether it involves compression of the spinal cord or partial or full tearing. If you have suffered a spinal cord injury, you should contact a Raleigh auto accident lawyer as soon as possible to make sure your rights are protected.

Call Martin & Jones Today

If you have been injured and don't know where to turn, we can help. Unfortunately, time is not on your side, so you should take action as soon as possible. To schedule a free consultation with an experienced Raleigh accident lawyer, [contact us](#) today at 800-662-1234.