

## Do's and Dont's

get a free initial consultation from Mitchell Moore.

keep a diary regarding your injury. Include all trips to doctors, hospitals and therapists.

keep all potential evidence including important documents, torn or bloody clothes, broken equipment, prescription medicine bottles and containers, cast, brace, traction, or other medically-related appliances.

return to each of your doctors as often as necessary. When being treated by your physicians or therapist, advise them of all problems resulting from your injury. It is very important that you KEEP ALL SCHEDULED APPOINTMENTS WITH DOCTORS. ADVISE YOUR DOCTORS OF PRIOR ACCIDENTS OR PRIOR INJURIES. KEEP LIST OF EACH DOCTOR YOU SEE.

record all out-of-pocket expenses relating to your injury, including travel expenses.

obtain a police or incident report. Write down exactly what happened in as much detail as possible. Write down the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of any witnesses to the incident.

WRITE DOWN TIME MISSED FROM WORK. DO NOT MISS MORE WORK THAN YOU NEED TO. SHOW THAT YOU ARE TRYING HARD TO GET BETTER. DO NOT APPEAR TO MALINGER OR EXAGGERATE YOUR ILLNESS.

take pictures of any damage to your car before it is repaired.

file BANKRUPTCY - DO NOT File Bankruptcy without talking to your attorney. A Bankruptcy can preclude you from pursuing an injury claim.

discuss the facts of the accident with anyone including an insurance adjuster and do not sign anything relating to an injury claim until you have consulted with an attorney.

delay getting legal advice because of time limitations that may apply to your kind of case. While in most states, including Georgia, the time limitation for bringing an injury claim is generally two years, this time period may vary. Some states require a claim to be filed within one year. Therefore, it is very important that you contact an attorney and verify how much time you have left to bring your lawsuit. Also, claims against certain government entities require notice of the claim within certain periods of time that are much shorter than the statute of limitations.