

The Road To Justice Starts Here

A Newsletter for the Friends and Clients of Attorney Tracy W. Cary

NEW WEBSITE TO BE LAUNCHED

You may have noticed that our website has been undergoing some changes. We have partnered with a national attorney website creator, FindLaw, to update and enhance our website. Be sure to check www.MorrisCaryAndrews.com to see the changes. In addition to being more user friendly, we expect our new website to feature some video testimonials. If you would like to be considered for a short video testimonial of how our firm has helped you through a difficult legal situation, let us know.

10 YEARS OF HELPING PEOPLE

When Joey Morris and Tracy Cary left other firms in 1999 to start Morris, Cary, Andrews, Talmadge & Driggers, LLC, we had one employee and about 50 clients. Since then, we have moved to our present location on the Ross Clark Circle, Dothan's busiest thoroughfare, and we have added three more lawyers and we have 12 employees. "We credit our success to the fact that we genuinely care about our clients," said Tracy. "Almost all of our clients come to us from the recommendation of former clients and other lawyers who refer cases to us," he said.

BOOK SUBMITTED TO PUBLISHER

Attorney Tracy W. Cary Submits Book to Publisher! I am proud to announce that my new book, "The Injured Worker's Survival Guide," has been submitted to the publisher. The book is designed to answer some questions about Alabama's Workers' Compensation laws and specifically addresses five mistakes that can wreck your workers' compensation claim. – Tracy W. Cary.

WHY THIS NEWSLETTER?

I created this Newsletter because I want my clients to be informed about changes in the law that can affect them and other aspects of the law that can have positive or negative affects on their families.

I hope you'll find this newsletter to be informative and helpful. If you have suggestions about topics you'd like to see addressed in the newsletter, please let me know.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

2009 marks the 10th anniversary of the creation of the law firm of Morris, Cary, Andrews, Talmadge & Driggers, LLC. The firm has grown considerably since it was founded but we are still committed to our original goal of helping injured people and their families.

We have attorneys licensed in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Tennessee and the District of Columbia. We help people with a variety of personal injury claims, including: car wrecks, motorcycle wrecks, trucking accidents, dog bite accidents, workers' compensation claims, Social Security Disability claims, product liability claims and insurance disputes. Call us at 1-800-638-3665 to discuss your case.

CONTACT ME!

If you wonder what your rights are after you are injured, contact me Tracy Cary at 1-800-638-3665 or 334-702-0000. There is no charge to speak with us and almost all our cases are taken on a contingency fee basis.

This means that in most cases you don't owe us anything unless we recover for you. You can also email me at tcary@mcatlaw.com

FILE RETENTION POLICY

The Alabama State Bar recommends attorneys keep client files for six years. Storage space is running out so we are following the Bar's recommendation and we will be destroying old legal files from 1999 through 2002. If you have an old legal file and you would like any of your file materials, please contact us immediately at 1-800-638-3665. We will be using a secure shredding company to destroy old files on site.

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DRIVER BEWARE!

Alabama sees an increase in the number of uninsured motorists

Many Alabama drivers have already learned this the hard way, but Alabama is one of the states where a driver is most likely to be involved in an accident with an uninsured motorist. Recent research suggests that the economic downturn will only increase the likelihood that if you're unfortunate enough to be in a wreck, it will likely involve an uninsured motorist.

A recent study revealed that as many as one in four Alabama motorists are driving without liability coverage. Only two states had worse statistics: New Mexico and Mississippi. Alabama's rate of uninsured drivers is almost twice the national average.

What can be done to make our streets safer? Some are suggesting the Alabama Legislature needs to create harsher penalties for driving without insurance. The Legislature could require proof of insurance before drivers can get license plates. Also, regular traffic

checkpoints have shown impressive results.

What can you do? I suggest to all my clients that there are some basic things you can do to make sure you are protected. First, make sure you have at least the minimal limits of liability coverage on all vehicles you own. This protects you if you are the one who causes a wreck. Just as importantly though, in order to protect your family if you are in a wreck caused by an uninsured motorist, make sure you have uninsured motorist coverage of at least the same limits of your liability coverage. In many cases you'll find this to a more affordable option than you'd think.

In my 15 years of representing those injured in car wrecks, truck wrecks and motorcycle wrecks in Alabama, Florida and Georgia, I have seen more instances than I can count where the at-fault driver did not have any insurance or not enough insurance to cover the damages caused. You can protect yourself by asking your agent about uninsured coverage.