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## **An Experienced Premises Liability Attorney Serving Columbus and Central Ohio**

If you are injured on someone's property, or if a loved one is injured or dies on someone's property, you may have grounds to pursue a premises liability lawsuit. Most people have heard the phrase "slip and fall accident," which is one of the more common types of premises liability cases. Injuries on property, however, can range from dog bites to drowning accidents.

If you or someone you know was severely injured and believe you have a premises liability case, it's important to speak with an experienced attorney in Ohio. Experience matters when looking for an accident lawyer in Columbus. Attorney Scott Smith has beenProperty owners have a responsibility to keep the public safe from harm in parking lots or inside their buildings. helping injury victims for more than thirty years. He provides a potent combination of resources and experience. Call 800-930-7268 or contact the Law Offices of Scott Elliot Smith online for a free consultation. Your consultation is free, and you pay us no fees unless we make a financial recovery.

Keep in mind that our goal is not only to get clients the money they need for their losses. We want you to get closure. We want you to get back to the way you lived prior to the accident. With your best interests in mind, we will fight aggressively for your rights after a premises accident.

#### **Examples of Hazardous Premises in Ohio**

The following is a partial list of places where injuries can occur due to the negligence of a property owner or someone responsible for the premises. Typically, the owner of the property can be sued if negligence led to a personal injury:

- Shopping malls
- Parking lots
- Restaurants
- Grocery stores
- Hardware stores
- Retail stores
- Office buildings
- Department stores

You also should not hesitate to contact a lawyer if you or some you love was assaulted or was a victim of a crime on someone's property. Property owners have a responsibility to keep the public safe from harm in parking lots or inside their buildings. Sadly, serious injuries such as

traumatic brain injury or spinal cord injury are not uncommon in premises liability cases. The impact of catastrophic injuries can be devastating. Scott Smith understands how to pursue all the compensation you may need for your losses, which may be financial, physical and emotional.

Whether you were a tenant injured in your apartment or were injured on commercial property, you may be entitled to compensation if you were injured. Wherever your premises liability case originated, let us ensure your rights are protected.

### Columbus Injury Victims Need a Compassionate Central Ohio Dog Bite Lawyer

Dogs sometimes attack people, including children, and cause severe injuries. Dog bites can result in pain and suffering and permanent scarring. Medical bills can skyrocket. With so much at stake, it's important to contact an experienced dog bite lawyer in Columbus, Ohio. For a free consultation, call 800-930-7268. Attorney Scott Smith is ready to listen to your circumstances and discuss your legal options.

Ohio is a strict liability state, which means that a dog's owner is responsible for your damages and injuries if you are bitten. In some other states, the dog must be declared dangerous first and might be allowed one "free bite" before it is declared dangerous. Fortunately for those who are bitten and their loved ones, this is not the case in Ohio. Each dog bite case is different, so it's wise to speak with an attorney about your specific circumstances and how the law might apply to your situation. Talk to Scott Smith today.

#### **Dog Bite Injuries and Insurance Companies**

Unlike other animal attacks, the injured party may know the dog and its owner. We know that a personal relationship with the dog owner can create a difficult situation when you or your child is injured. Keep in mind that when seeking compensation in a dog bite case, you are usually pursuing a settlement from the insurance company, not your friend or neighbor. Typically, we pursue a dog bite claim through the homeowner's insurance company.

Dealing with insurance companies is our business. We understand how to apply appropriate discretion when handling dog bite cases to avoid conflict between friends and neighbors.

# **How an Experienced Columbus Drowning Accident Lawyer Can Help**

Pools, ponds, lakes and other bodies of water in Ohio are ideal spots for recreational activities. Unfortunately, drowning or pool accidents happen all too often, particularly during summer when children are out of school and families are vacationing.

If you or your child is seriously injured in a pool accident or drowns, you will need an experienced Columbus drowning accident lawyer. Attorney Scott Smith has thirty years of

experience handling all types of serious personal injury matters. He knows how to pursue compensation for all your losses, which may include medical expenses, lost wages, pain and suffering and other damages.

After accidents involving severe injuries or wrongful death, some people make the mistake of dealing with insurance companies on their own. They may hear from a friendly sounding insurance adjuster who makes some kind of settlement offer. Think twice before speaking to an adjuster. Your case may be worth more than you realize. Talk to an experienced personal injury lawyer in Ohio today to learn about your options. Contact the Law Offices of Scott Elliot Smith, LPA. Scott Smith is an experienced personal injury lawyer who knows how to get results for people injured in pool accidents or those who lost loved ones in drowning accidents.

#### Where Drowning And Pool Accidents Might Happen

Property owners with pools, or businesses such as motels or hotels that have pools, must ensure that the pool and surrounding areas are safely maintained. Drowning is one of the top causes of death of young children. It seems every summer communities in Ohio lose young people in drowning or pool accidents at homes or apartment complexes. These are tragic deaths that should have been prevented. Children are attracted to pools, which is one reason why fences or gates must be installed to prevent accidents involving youngsters.

Other pool accidents may involve someone diving into a shallow pool that is not clearly marked. A diving accident typically involves a spinal cord injury.

In some cases, we may pursue a product liability claim. For example, someone who is injured due to a defect in a diving board may be able to pursue compensation from the manufacturer of the board. Attorney Scott Smith can assist with a hazardous products claim.

Insurance companies for the negligent parties will aggressively fight to minimize compensation to victims and families, or may try to deny a claim outright. Attorney Smith is familiar with the insurance company tactics to keep payments to a minimum. He will aggressively stand up to the insurance companies to help clients obtain the justice they deserve.

#### Contact an Experienced Ohio Premises Liability Lawyer

At the Law Offices of Scott Elliot Smith, LPA, we put our resources and experience to work in a premises liability case. If you or a loved one was injured due to someone else's negligence, let an aggressive legal professional guide you. Contact us online or call 800-930-7268. We are skilled at dealing with insurance companies and demanding justice for our clients.