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# Common Types of Injuries

While car accidents make up the majority of personal injury cases filed in the United States, there are many other incidents that can result in action being taken. Some of them may surprise you.

Each type of case requires unique applications of personal injury law. Likewise, various factors come into play to determine fault across the different types of injuries.

Considering these facts, it's vital that you secure a professional, specialized attorney in the matter you are facing. This will help you maximize your settlement and cut down on the frustration of potential legal hiccups in your case.

Here are the most common types of personal injury cases, as reported by the American Bar Association:

**CAR ACCIDENT CASES**

A careless driver can generally be held financially account-



able for injuries resulting from a car accident. Check to see if your state has a no-fault system, in which drivers have to collect from their own insurers except in cases of serious injury.

**MEDICAL MALPRACTICE**

When a doctor or other health care professional fails to provide competent and reasonably skilled care, patient injuries can be compensated for through medical mal-

practice cases. There are many factors within a medical malpractice case, so be sure to find a qualified attorney to walk you through the complex process.

**SLIP AND FALL**

Property owners, landlords and employers are often liable for these types of cases because they are responsible for keeping their premises reasonably safe and free of hazards. The exact

nature of an owner's legal duty varies between states, so be sure of the system in place where you live to ensure you have reasonable expectations of a settlement.

**DOG BITES**

And speaking of ownership, the owners of a dog are financially responsible for bites and other injuries caused by the dog in most cases. In some cases, strict liability rules exist while others

have a one-bit law that makes owners responsible only after there is reason to think a dog is aggressive or prone to biting.

**ASSAULT & BATTERY**

When one person physically attacks another, he or she will likely face criminal charges.

Additionally, the victim can file a personal injury lawsuit in civil court that could lead to compensation for the injuries.

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