

Personal Injury Claims Research Guide

Overview

This research guide includes information and resources on personal injury claims. Personal injury claims, “in a negligence action, [is] any harm caused to a person, such as a broken bone, a cut, or a bruise; bodily injury.” (*Black’s Law Dictionary, 11th ed.*) The resources listed below are not exhaustive and may not include the most up-to-date information. It is for information purposes only and should not be construed as legal advice or act as the substitute for legal counsel.

Statutes and Codes

Texas Statutes Online www.statutes.capitol.texas.gov

Civil Practice and Remedies Code

- Ch. 41 Damages
<https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/CP/htm/CP.41.htm>
- Title 4 Liability in Tort – Chs. 71-100A
 - Ch. 72 Liability of Motor Vehicle Owner or Operator
<https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/CP/htm/CP.72.htm>
 - Ch. 80 Trespass: Outdoor Sign
<https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/CP/htm/CP.80.htm>
 - Ch. 82 Products Liability
<https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/CP/htm/CP.82.htm>
 - Ch. 93 Assumption of the Risk and Certain Other Affirmative Defenses
<https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/CP/htm/CP.93.htm>

Secondary Resources in Print

Texas Torts and Remedies KFT 1395 .T49

- Vol. 4, Ch. 50.02 (3) Bodily Injury
- Vol. 5, Ch. 80 Tort Damages
- Vol. 5, Ch. 81.02 (1) Disfigurement
- Vol. 5, Ch. 81.05 (2)(c) Initial injury, liability for subsequent injuries incurred in process of receiving medical treatment

Texas Litigation Guide KFT 1730 .T4

- Vol. 1, Ch. 1A Claims and Defenses
- Vol. 19, Ch. 294 Tort Damages

Texas Personal Injury Handbook KFT 1397 .P3R62

Texas Transaction Guide KFT 1268 .K45

- Vol. 11, § 61.21 (5) Assignment of Claims
- Vol. 22, § 93.25 Characterization as community or separate property

Texas Practice Guide KFT 1280 .T4931

- Personal Injury, Vols. 1-5

Lanier’s Texas Personal Injury Forms KFT 1397 .P3L36

How to Win Your Personal Injury Claim (NOLO) KF 1257 .M38

Personal Injury Forms: Discovery & Settlement REF KFT 1257 .A3

Litigating Neck & Back Injuries KF 8925 .P4 T373

101 Law Forms for Personal Use (NOLO) KF 170 .L46

- Form 98 Release for Personal Injury

Determining Economic Damages REF KF 1250 M317

- §281 Sample Questionnaires (personal injury)
- §902 The Vocational Rehabilitation Expert (personal injury)

Neighbor Law: Fences, Trees, Boundaries & Noise KF 639.Z9 J67

- Ch. 13 Dangers to Children: Attractive Nuisances – Personal Injury, pp. 224-225
- Ch. 20 Small Claims Court

CLE Materials

Advanced Personal Injury KFT 1397.P257

- 2021 Ch. 2 Healthcare Liability in Texas
- 2021 Ch. 4 Medical Expenses in Personal Injury Cases 2018 Ch. 6. 1 Defending a Personal Injury Case on a Budget
- 2020 Ch. 2 Hot Topics in Personal Injury Law
- 2020 Ch. 21 Mass Shooting Liability
- 2020 Ch. 27 Tort Claims Act- What's Next?
- 2019 Ch. 3 Premises Liability Update
- 2019 Ch. 7 Anatomy of a § 1983 Claim for Excessive Force and Special Considerations
- 2019 Ch. 25 Handling Claims Under the Texas Tort Claims Act
- 2018 Ch. 9.4 Strategic Use of Appellate Counsel
- 2018 Ch. 11 Trial Strategies for Presenting and Arguing Damages
- 2018 Ch. 22 Evaluating the Personal Injury Case: Traumatic Brain Injuries and Psychological Injuries

Online Resources

Personal Injury Claims (Texas Law Help)

<https://texaslawhelp.org/article/personal-injury-claims>

Making an Injury Claim under the Texas Tort Claims Act (NOLO)

<https://www.nolo.com/legal-encyclopedia/making-injury-claim-under-the-texas-tort-claims-act.html>

Texas Personal Injury Laws and Liability Rates (NOLO)

<https://www.alllaw.com/articles/nolo/personal-injury/laws-texas.html>

What is the Personal Injury Statute of Limitations in Texas? (NOLO)

<https://www.nolo.com/legal-encyclopedia/what-is-the-personal-injury-statute-of-limitations-in-texas.html>

Legal Assistance

Legal Lines – Ask Attorneys simple legal questions (free service)

- Tarrant County LegalLine Sign-up
<https://www.tarrantbar.org/>
- Dallas County LegalLine Sign-up
<https://www.dallasbar.org/index.cfm?pg=legalline>

Tarrant County Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service: 817-336-4101 (\$20 for the first 30 minutes)