

## Medical Malpractice

Birthing injury, stroke, surgical mistake, error in diagnosis, or other medical intervention, can cause devastating and lifelong consequences. The patient's future wellbeing and their family's security may depend on the success of a medical malpractice lawsuit. Who you choose to fight for your rights is crucial.

Medical malpractice is a highly specialized, notoriously difficult area of law. Not only is proof often difficult to obtain, but also the health care provider's lawyers mount very vigorous, well-funded defences. Cases may take many years to resolve completely. Often only after a lengthy and costly trial process. For these reasons, even personal injury law firms hesitate to take medical malpractice cases.

Our Medical Malpractice Group is comprised of very experienced and successful trial lawyers, who get results against seasoned defence counsel. Because most general personal injury cases settle, even a seasoned personal injury lawyer may have little courtroom experience. These lawyers and government agencies frequently refer medical malpractice cases to us, secure in the knowledge that if necessary, we will take the case through to trial, no matter how long it takes or how vigorously it is defended. As with all litigation, if we see that the client's best interests are served by obtaining a speedy and satisfactory settlement, we will negotiate that on the client's behalf. We take care to be both compassionate and communicative with our clients as we help them along a very difficult road to recovery.

Our group has been involved in some very high-profile medical malpractice cases, where media attention compounds the family's suffering. Our clients often ask us to act as their spokesperson and we counsel them in their dealings with the media. We have the backing of a full-service law firm when our clients' legal needs go beyond medical malpractice.

Some of our many medical malpractice cases have involved:

- Birthing injuries
- Brain injury
- Cerebral palsy
- Brachial plexus injury (shoulder dystocia)
- Strokes or ischemic attacks
- Surgical errors
- Deep vein thrombosis
- Pulmonary embolism
- Spinal injuries
- Delayed diagnosis of cancer
  - Breast
  - Colon
  - Lung
  - Brain
  - Kidney
  - Prostate
- Missed diagnosis
- Medication errors

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