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Personal Injury - LODI Accidents • NYCERS Disability Pensions Spring 2019



RECENT CASES:

Sanman with 3 weeks on job fails to look and runs over partner's leg - \$8,000,000 Settlement.

As our client exited his truck and turned to pick up a basket, his partner having only 3 weeks on the job and operating from the right side, failed to look before moving the truck. As a result, the front tire struck our client's leg causing catastrophic injuries including a below the knee amputation and premature retirement. Our office assisted him in obtaining his 3/4 pension and settling the lawsuit against the City of New York for \$8,000,000.00.

GU helping to guide a truck into the street - struck by private motorist

As our client was helping guide a truck into the street, a private motorist was distracted and struck our client throwing him into the air. As a result, he sustained neck injuries with surgery and never returned to work. Unfortunately, the private car that struck him only had a \$100,000 policy which was offered quickly. He is presently waiting to see NYCERS for his 3/4 pension.

Sanman backs up truck, fails to look, striking our client standing beside truck - \$350,000 and back to work full duty

While our client was opening the hopper of his truck to dump, another sanman was backing up his truck without a guideman and struck our client, injuring his hip. Luckily he returned to full duty and we settled for \$350,000.00.

Sanitation Worker fails to set brake, truck rolls and our client injured trying to stop truck - foot run over - \$750,000.00

Our client was behind truck loading hopper when her partner failed to set parking brake, exited the truck. Without warning, the truck started rolling and our client tried to get back in to stop the truck, but was run over by the truck's front tire. The partner claimed electrical failure, but CRS confirmed it was human error. She sustained a crushed foot and never returned to work. We helped her get her 3/4 and \$750,000 from the City.

Sanman Lacerates Arm Due to Faulty Hopper Blade, gets \$750,000.00

Our client was working a split-rear hopper loading a refrigerator. There was prior notice that the left hopper was not working correctly but it was still kept in service. As our client held the fridge, the blade did not work correctly and without warning shot down, cutting the fridge in half and falling against our client, slicing open his arm. After 3 surgeries, he partially recovered. He received a 3/4 pension and settled for \$750,000.00

Bronx GU exited Broom, tripped in hole in garage floor Bronx GU exited broom and stepped into hole in garage floor, left over from prior work BBM had done. <u>It was</u> reported but never repaired. The 8-4 did his job! Two knee surgeries, never returned to work, & with our help gets a 3/4 pension and \$750,000.00

** Please be sure your personal car policies have sufficient insurance to protect you and your families! A cheap premium doesn't help anyone when its you!

If You Are in a City Vehicle MVA, Did You Know:

City Vehicles provide No-Fault benefits! You can get back lost overtime pay including Sundays and Holiday!!

But, you must File your No-Fault Form with the Comptroller within 30 days.

City Vehicles also provide \$25,000 in Uninsured Motorist Benefits if the other vehicle either left the scene or was uninsured! But must file claim w/in 90 days

NYCERS PENSIONS: Just because you are injured on the job doesn't mean you get a pension. The Clinic and NYCERS are very different.

** The LODI report is Crucial to winning a Pension. There is a big difference between Accident and Incident - its important to know the difference.

Tier 6: 3/4 pensions: must be filed before termination, be found disabled by NYCERS or SSD and it is an accident, not an incident

Pension Cases:

- » Supervisor tripped and fell over a metal roadway plate in Manhattan 5, sustained knee injury with surgery. Our office successfully obtained his 3/4 accident disability pension.
- »>Superintendent involved in a motor vehicle accident with private car, sustained knee injury with surgery. Our office successfully obtained his 3/4 accident disability pension.

- » Supervisor while conducting facility check, tripped and fell over defective metal door saddle, causing shoulder injury requiring surgery. Our office successfully obtained his 3/4 accident disability pension.
- ***Sanman injures bicep after partner drops his side of sausage bag, unable to return, NYCERS grants 3/4 disability pension.
- » Supervisor trips on private residence walkway attempting to serve summons. Has back surgery, never returns. He gets 3/4 pension from City and has a valid lawsuit against the homeowner for negligent maintenance of the walkway.
- » Sanman driving collection truck makes sudden turn to avoid pedestrian, strikes pole and our client is ejected from the truck. He sustained severe back injuries and had spinal surgery. NYCERS granted him a 3/4 disability pension for life.
- »>Sanitation woman attempts to stop a run-away collection truck, her foot is run over and she can't return to work, gets 3/4 pension and \$800,000 from City due to negligence of partner in failing to use brakes.
- ** SSD does not offset Your Disability Pension

** IF YOU HAVE A CASE AGAINST THE CITY OF NY, YOU MUST FILE A NOTICE OF CLAIM WITH THE COMPTROLLER WITHIN 90 DAYS.

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