

# Civil Service Advisor



Personal Injury  
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## NYC POLICE OFFICER RECEIVES \$2,000,000 AFTER BEING STRUCK BY NYPD TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT VEHICLE



**Dana Lewis (left) thanks attorney Todd J. Strier for his help in settling Mr. Lewis' trip and fall case.**

**Pedestrian Knockdown:** NYC Police Officer, **James B. Campbell**, was in front of his house discussing the issuance of a parking summons relating to his vehicle with two NYPD traffic enforcement agents. Without warning, they drove off, striking Mr. Campbell. As a result, our client sustained severe back injuries, requiring four spinal surgeries. Prior to the conclusion of the trial, the matter was settled for \$2,000,000.

**Trip and Fall:** NYC Sanitation worker and former NBA player, **Dana Lewis** (pictured), while exiting his sanitation vehicle, was caused to trip and fall due to a defective and rusted step—which had previously been reported to management but never repaired. Due to his fall, our client sustained a permanent injury to his lower back, which required spinal surgery and forced his retirement. Prior to trial, the matter was settled for \$400,000.

**Slip and Fall:** A NYC Sanitation worker sustained permanent injuries to his leg after slipping and falling due to a leaking gas pump in a sanitation garage. Prior to trial, the City offered \$250,000 to settle, however, based upon the severity of the injury and the loss of future salary, the initial offer was rejected and a full trial was held. The jury awarded our client \$1,275,000.

### PENSION ALERT:

After a long hard battle, Local 831's President-elect **Harry Nespoli** was pleased to announce that his members have just won the right to a 3/4 disability pension for line of duty injuries. The Governor signed the bill granting sanitation workers full disability pension rights.

Now for the first time in many years sanitation workers who sustain serious injuries as a result of their line of duty injuries will be entitled to receive a 3/4 disability pension. For more details about this new law, contact me for a free consultation. You owe it to your family to protect your pension rights!

### Did You Know...?

→ You have only 90 days to file a Notice of Claim if you are injured due to the City of New York's negligence.

→ NYC Sanitation Workers and Supervisors have the legal right to sue the City of New York for line of duty injuries.

OUR FIRM HAS TEN ATTORNEYS WHO HANDLE ALL TYPES OF PERSONAL INJURY CASES, INCLUDING LINE OF DUTY ACCIDENTS, AUTO ACCIDENTS, TRIP AND FALL CASES, CONSTRUCTION ACCIDENTS AND MEDICAL MALPRACTICE. SO FAR THIS YEAR, WE HAVE SETTLED OR WON IN COURT AT LEAST ONE \$1 MILLION PLUS CASE PER MONTH. ADDITIONALLY, WE SETTLED A CASE FOR \$9 MILLION FOR A WORKER INJURED ON A FORKLIFT.