

**Our firm has settled over \$8,000,000 this year for Sanitation Workers injured in the line of duty!**

to go around the collection truck. Our client injured his lower back and returned to work approximately 5 months later with no major problems. We settled his case against the car's carrier for \$67,500. A great settlement!

## RECENT SUCCESS STORIES

### SANITATION WORKER'S FOOT RUN OVER BY PARTNER WHILE DOING BASKETS

A Manhattan sanman was doing baskets when his partner failed to make sure he was away from the truck before pulling forward. As a result, the front tire rolled over his foot causing him to undergo 11 surgeries. We helped him win his 3/4 accident disability pension and his lawsuit against the City was settled for **\$3,000,000**.

### SANITATION WORKER TRIES TO STOP RUNAWAY LIGHT PACK

A GU from the Bronx was assisting sanitation workers in moving a light pack down a ramp when they lost control of it, didn't warn our client, who then tried to stop the light pack from crashing into an awaiting truck. He severely injured his shoulder and had 3 surgeries. He never returned to work, won his 3/4 pension and his lawsuit against the City was settled for **\$1,500,000**.

### SANITATION WORKER TRIPS IN BROKEN SEWER WHILE ASSISTING HIS PARTNER BACK UP HIS TRUCK

A sanitation worker in Kings was helping his partner back his truck out of the garage when he stepped into a broken sewer. It was widely known in the garage that trucks had continually run over the sewer but the City failed to fix the problem. He eventually had two knee surgeries and two knee replacements. He never returned to work, won his 3/4 disability pension and we settled the case against the City for **\$1,500,000**.

### SANITATION WORKER WAS BEHIND TRUCK WHEN AN IMPATIENT MOTORIST STRUCK HIM WHILE TRYING TO PASS (you've heard this before!)

Our client was behind the truck when a motorist didn't feel like waiting and struck him as he tried

### SANITATION POLICE OFFICER SITTING IN HIS VEHICLE WAS STRUCK IN REAR BY PRIVATE MOTORIST

Sanitation police officer was in his car, stopped, when he was struck in the rear by a private motorist. Our client had serious back injuries requiring surgery. He never returned to work and his pension application is pending. The problem is the offending car only had \$25,000 in insurance (which was offered). This is a sad case in which our client did nothing wrong and didn't get the compensation he deserved.

*Lesson learned: Everyone should have ample "supplemental uninsured/underinsured motorist coverage" with their own vehicles.*

### IMPORTANT TIPS:

- 1) If you are involved in a motor vehicle accident, you must file a No-Fault application within 30 days with the insurance carrier. -> If you are in a City vehicle, then the No-Fault application is filed with the Comptroller's office at 1 Centre St, 12<sup>th</sup> Fl.**
- 2) Everyone should have sufficient insurance to protect them: that means Bodily Injury, No-Fault and "UM" insurance!!  
*You can't blame your broker after the fact!***
- 3) Disability insurance and Life insurance are important - no excuses!**
- 4) If you were injured and the City might be at fault, you must file a Notice of Claim within 90 days!!**

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