

About Strom & Associates, Attorneys At Law

The Law Office of Strom & Associates has experienced attorneys on staff who can guide you through all aspects of your injury and workers' compensation claim – from what to do immediately when you get hurt to securing timely payment of medical services and workers compensation benefits.

Founded in 1981, Strom & Associates is focused on providing legal counsel to individuals and the families of those who have been injured in a work environment. The firm offers the most comprehensive injury resource center in Chicago. Clients have access to and receive counsel on all aspects of physical, personal and financial recovery.

If injured at work, call for a free, no obligation consultation.



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HURT AT WORK?



What you need to Know

A Common Mistake

Most people don't think about getting hurt at work and how it can affect their families. The realities of the workers compensation system are often unknown. The truth is anyone, in any job, could be at risk for injury.

Workplace injuries can trigger significant personal and financial hardships. Not knowing what to do immediately after an accident could jeopardize your ability to receive workers compensation benefits – even when you're entitled.

The first 48 hours following an accident are the most important. What you do during that time can make or break your workers compensation case.

KEEP THE ACCOUNT OF YOUR ACCIDENT SHORT, TO THE POINT AND FACT-BASED. DO NOT SHARE ANY UNNECESSARY INFORMATION. WHAT YOU SAY AND TO WHOM YOU SAY IT COULD AFFECT YOUR CASE LATER.

What To Do If You're Injured on the Job

- ☒ If you are able, tell your supervisor that you've been injured.
- ☒ Immediately seek medical treatment.
- ☒ When asked for medical insurance, tell them that you were injured at work and provide the name of your company. The medical facility will contact your employer to verify workers compensation benefits.
- ☒ If workers compensation insurance is unavailable, use your own insurance.



- ☒ While being treated, make sure your doctor accurately records how and when you were injured at work. Give them the facts and make sure they are recorded in writing.
- ☒ Record the names of any witnesses, as well as the location and situation in which you were hurt, for your own files. Get a copy of your doctor's report. Make sure the date of your injury is correct.

QUESTION: DOES HIRING AN ATTORNEY PUT MY JOB AT RISK?

ANSWER: NO. IN FACT, HIRING AN ATTORNEY EARLY IN THIS PROCESS CAN REINFORCE YOUR JOB SECURITY, EXPEDITE YOUR CASE AS WELL AS MAKE IT EASIER FOR YOUR FAMILY DURING WHAT COULD BE A VERY STRESSFUL TIME. A GOOD FIRM WILL HAVE EXPERIENCED ATTORNEYS WHO WILL NEGOTIATE WITH YOUR EMPLOYER'S INSURANCE COMPANY, HANDLE THE MEDICAL BILLS AND ALL OTHER DETAILS INVOLVED IN A WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIM.

A consultation soon after your accident is an important step in determining your rights. Following treatment, when the seriousness of your injury has been determined, have a qualified workers' compensation attorney review your situation, and be prepared to discuss your options and how they may affect your future.