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# 18-Wheelers, Defective Drugs and Faulty **Products are Injuring People!**

#### Our Team-



The recklessness of others, be it a person, place, or thing, should not be ignored. Our team of personal injury trial lawyers are a tough team that fights you and your rights.

Our team is trustworthy and dependable and we believe that people who are harmed by the recklessness of others deserve their day in court!

Whether you are injured in an automobile/truck accident or at work; if you suffer from a defective drug or faulty product; or if your child was born with a birth defect, at Cappolino, Dodd and Krebs, LLP, we focus on helping injured victims to cope with these injuries and harmful side effects and to move on with their lives. If you are a victim of a personal injury, please contact us today.

#### Automobile and Truck Wrecks—

Thousands of injuries and fatalities occur each year due to automobile and truck wrecks. Did you know that Milam County continues to rank near the top in the grim statistic of per-capita roadway deaths? With a population of 24,256, Milam County reported ten motor vehicle fatalities in 2014. Neighboring counties, Robertson reported only one fatality and Burleson reported four fatalities during that same timeframe.



Nationwide we are seeing more and more tractortrailers on our roadways both in rural areas and urban Each year there are close to 400,000 highways. wrecks involving 18-wheeler trucks. The Texas Department of Public Safety shows that as much as 25% of 18-wheelers on our roadways have safety problems, some severe enough that the truck should be placed out of service! An accident involving an 18wheeler can cause extensive pain and suffering, mental and emotional anguish, in some cases death as well as pricey medical bills.

### **Defective Drugs—**



Did you know that most Food & Drug Administration (FDA) recalls are voluntary?

Recalls on drugs are to help protect people from the potential dangers of a drug that has previously been approved by the FDA.

A recall can help protect someone who has never taken a recalled drug. However, for someone who learns of the potential harm or actually has experienced an additional illness or injury from taking a recalled drug, the recall may be too late.

Below is a brief list of prescription drugs that are known to have adverse side effects:

Crestor, Fentanyl, Fosmas, Heparin, Lexapro, Lipitor, Ortho Evra, Paxil, Prempro, Terbutaline, Yaz and Yasmin.

There are several other drugs that have recalls. ALL recalls that are monitored by the FDA are published in the agency's "Enforcement Report" which is published RECALL RECAL



www.fda.gov and be certain to check with your prescribing doctor to see if any of the medications you are taking are on the recall list.



## Faulty and/or Defective Products—

Everyday and everywhere we are surrounded by products. We have products for our homes, both inside and outside—cleaning, cooking, repairing, planting, weeding, etcetera. As well as personal products for ourselves—soap, shampoo, cosmetics, etcetera.

A major product we encounter daily is food. Food, liquid or solid, is a product. We rely on food products to keep our bodies nourished. We, the public consumer, are at risk all the time.

There are a number of products from cucumbers, cereal, pelvic mesh, hip & knee implants, cosmetics, car seats, household chemicals, tires to automobiles that have had recalls issued. When products are faulty or defective, the effects can be devastating.

Some of the products recalled in 2015 include:



Dole Spinach, General Mills Cheerios, Sunkist frozen mango fruit sorbet bars, Murphy Farm alfalfa hay, Western Blend horse feed, OC Raw Dog dog food, bicycles manufactured by 13 different manufacturers, Philips halogen bulbs, Panasonic metal cutter saw, Prestone windshield de-icer, Bosch dremel rotary

tool, Scag lawn mowers, John Deere riding law tractors, Precious Cargo infant one-piece garment, Stork Craft crib mattress, Whirlpool Jenn-Air wall ovens, and Apple beats pill portable wireless speaker.



Some of the vehicles recalled in 2015 include:



GM's 2014-15 Chevrolet Silverado Truck, Sierra Trucks manufactured January 24 through February 26, 2014; Ford's 2015 F-150 manufactured March 18 through August 6, 2015; Chrys-

ler's 2015-2016 Ram 1500 manufactured June 17 through September 28, 2015; Toyota has numerous vehicles recalled from the 2006-2011 RAV4, 2006-2010 Yaris, 2007 &2009 Camry, 2008-2011 Highlander, 2009-2011 Tundra and 2009-2011 Scion.

Many of us are still suffering from the infamous "Blue Bell" ice cream recall! An entire summer with no Blue Bell, how did we survive?

As you can see from the "brief" list of recalls in 2015 just about every type of product has the possibility of being faulty and/or defective.

#### Who is Liable?

There are different categories of liability on a faulty or defective product. There is "negligence", "warranty", "misrepresentation", and "strict liability". Regardless of the type of product liability, it is the manufacturer and/or supplier who is actually liable. The manufacturer and/or supplier can be held liable for a defect in the "design" of a product before it is manufactured, and/or a defect in the "manufacturing" of the product—a defect that occurs during the manufacturing of the product and/or a defect in the "marketing" of a product—when improper instructions and/or warnings are provided with the product.

The government provides a list of all consumer products that have a recall. You can find a complete list at www.recalls.gov. To research if a vehicle has a recall, you can find a complete list at www.safecar.gov.

Aside from exposure to asbestos products being one of the primary causes of mesothelioma, lung cancer, other cancers and asbestosis, there are many drugs and products that can be attributed to severe and harmful illnesses and or diseases. Don't be a silent victim—call us for expert advice and help!

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