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After an auto accident, slip and fall, or any other type of accident that results in an injury, you may have thought about contacting an attorney. You may also have wondered "how much is my personal injury case worth?" The answer to this question involves careful consideration of the issue of liability (was the other party at fault) as well as a careful consideration of your "damages" or how you have been injured.

Damages resulting from your accident include compensation for bodily injury, pain and suffering, property damage, and payment for expenses. Calculating your entitlement to compensation must be done on a "case by case" basis as the damages are specific to your injuries and circumstances.

### Compensation for Damages

When you have been injured as the result of someone else's negligence you have a legal right to pursue compensation for your injuries. If you have been injured as the result of someone's negligence, the questions then becomes what are your "damages?"

When it comes to compensation for personal injury damages, an award for compensatory damages is meant to make the injured party "whole" again through the payment of funds to the injured individual by the at fault party. Therefore, carefully considering all possible damages is very important. Similarly, documenting all of your injuries resulting from an accident is also very important. Working with an experienced attorney as part of this process helps to ensure that you receive the highest possible payment for all of your damages.

### Damages for Personal Injury Claims May Include:

- Bodily injuries including exacerbation of pre-existing conditions;
- Scarring and disfigurement;
- Conscious pain and suffering;
- Psychiatric injuries (such as PTSD, Traumatic brain injury, loss of memory or cognitive functioning);
- Loss of Enjoyment;
- Loss of consortium; and
- Wrongful death.

In personal injury cases the injured person can pursue damages from the at fault individual,

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company, or their insurance company, who has been found to be responsible for the accident. After negotiations take place, the issue of damages may be settled between the two parties. If a settlement is not reached, it may go to trial where a judge and jury will decide upon a value to the claim.

Choosing an attorney to guide the injured party along with helping you retain all the money that you deserve, is very important to your case. Read more about Understanding Personal Injury Protection (PIP) Benefits.

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