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Personal Wishes

Thanksgiving is a time to express our gratitude and a time of reflection. Gratitude for my family, friends, health and the health and well-being of my family, friends, and clients who have placed their trust in me. Reflection on what we have accomplished during the year and how we can continue to improve in the coming year. I wish all of you a very happy Thanksgiving!



Professional Corner

Practice Area: Car Crash Injuries

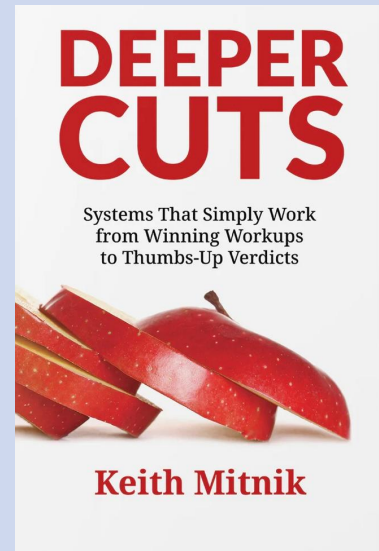
Motor vehicle collisions are often referred to as "car accidents," but in most cases, the word "accident" is incorrect. Collisions usually take place because one or more drivers acted negligently or recklessly. By establishing liability for a motor vehicle crash, victims can take legal action to pursue financial compensation for the injuries they sustained, the medical bills they have incurred, the wages they have lost, and other non-economic damages they have suffered. Injured individuals can take legal action against any person who was a cause of the crash. Even if a victim was partially at fault for a collision, they can still pursue compensation from the driver who was primarily responsible, as long as the injured party's own fault was 50% or less. Injured people may also be able to hold other parties liable for a collision, such as a company that manufactured defective auto parts or a city or state government that was responsible for a dangerous road or intersection.

As your attorney, I can handle all types of car collisions, including rear-end collisions, T-bone collisions, head-on collisions, rollover crashes, vehicle ejections, distracted driving, drunk driving and uninsured or underinsured drivers.

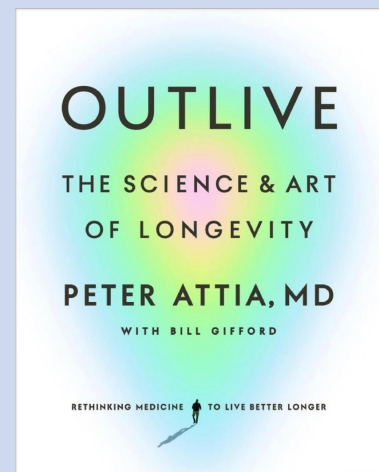
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Recommended Reads

For Professional Development, this month I recommend *Deeper Cuts* by Keith Mitnik. In "Deeper Cuts" Mitnik provides practical advice about getting over 'bad facts' of a case and gives useful advice on how to successfully prepare for and win a personal injury case. The book is filled with useful examples of cases, depositions and personal stories that will enrich any personal injury lawyer's understanding on how to present our clients' cases in the best possible way.



For Personal Enjoyment, I highly recommend *Outlive: The Science & Art of Longevity* written by Peter Attia, MD with Bill Gifford. This book is not only about rethinking medicine to live longer, but it's about "living longer better". After all, living longer if you are not able to enjoy it and are sick or in pain is not something that anyone wants. What we want is to live lives that are not only longer but also better, healthier, more productive and more enjoyable. Attia goes into topics ranging from preventing heart disease, from new ways to address cancer prevention and treatment to work out strategies, getting better sleep and addressing emotional health. This is a great book that can be read as a whole or you can pick and choose whatever chapters you are most interested in. Peter Attia also has a wonderful podcast, that although medical in essence, is a pretty easy (for the most part) to listen to called "The Drive". He often interviews longevity experts and does his best to provide useful health and longevity related advice.





November Fun Community Events

Mokena, IL: Mokena's annual [Parade of Lights](#) on Front Street will take place on November 18, 2023. Start time is 5:00 p.m. and the grand finale of the parade will feature Santa! Following the parade, there will be the Village Tree Lighting Ceremony at the corner of Front and Mokena Street.

Orland Park, IL: Orland Park's [Christmas Parade, Tree Lighting & Festival](#) will take place on Sunday, November 26, 2023. The Parade is scheduled to start at 4:00 p.m. and the Official Tree Lighting at Village Circle is set for 5:00 p.m. There will also be a holiday market, food and live entertainment.

Aurora, IL: Aurora's [Christkindlmarket](#) will be open from November 17th through December 24th. Since 1996, the market has been well known for wide variety of perfect gifts, great food, entertainment and its wonderful holiday cheer that's perfect for the whole family!

Frankfort, IL: Save the date for Frankfort's [Lighting of the Green](#) on November 30, 2023. It is expected that as in the years past, the tree lighting will also feature a visit from Santa as well as lots of live music and other holiday cheer festivities.

Lisle, IL: Hugely popular [Illumination: Tree Lights at The Morton Arboretum](#) will re-open for its 11th annual tradition on Saturday, November 18, 2023. Illumination will remain open until January 6, 2024. The 1-mile paved walking path features beautifully lighted trees and festive music that the whole family can enjoy.

Homer Glen, IL: [Homer for the Holidays](#), which will feature a holiday market, live music, costume characters and a tree lighting ceremony will take place on December 3, 2023 from 2-6pm. Kids can bring their letters to Santa and mail them in the Letters to Santa Box located in Heritage Park.

Brookfield, IL: Holiday Magic at Brookfield Zoo will once again be open on November 24-26, 30 and in December on December 1-3, 7-10, 14-17, 21-23 and 26-31, 2023. Holiday Magic at Brookfield Zoo is Chicagoland's longest running lights festival and includes activities such as Holiday Magic Photo Ops, Dance Party at Polar Plaza and Letters to Santa.

Joliet, IL: This year, [Joliet's Light Up the Holidays Festival & Parade](#) is celebrating its 25th anniversary. As in most previous years, the Festival & Parade will include a North Pole Market, horse-drawn carriage rides and a firework show. The Festival & Parade is scheduled for November 24, 2023. The North Pole Market will open at 10:00 a.m., horse-drawn carriage rides will be available for rides starting at 2pm until 5pm with the tree lighting taking place at 5:15pm and the parade will start at 5:30 p.m.

Lockport, IL: [Christmas in the Square | Lockport, IL - Official Website \(cityoflockport.net\)](#) will take place on Saturday, November 25th from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m. This family friendly event will feature a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus, balloon artists, kids crafts, a Santa letter station, food vendors and ice sculpture demonstrations. The tree lighting ceremony will conclude the festivities at 4:30 p.m.

Friendly Reminders

Please remember that in addition to our Joliet office located at **3260 Executive Drive in Joliet, IL**, we also have offices in Naperville located at **210 W. Ogden Ave, Naperville, IL**. You can always reach me at my email address at mlichner@rcklawfirm.com or call me at [815-730-1977](tel:815-730-1977).

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