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## October 2023 Newsletter



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## Personal Updates

In September, we were happy to help out at Feed My Starving Children in Aurora, IL. My wife, son and I enjoyed spending our Saturday afternoon packaging nutritional meals for children all around the world. It was a wonderful experience that the three of us really enjoyed and that I highly recommend.



**Professional Corner** 

## Checklist For Evidence In Personal Injury Cases

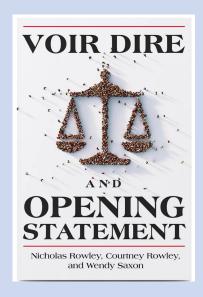
If you have suffered a personal injury, you may be able to pursue compensation from the person or parties who were responsible. These types of cases can be very complicated, and there will be a wide variety of different types of evidence, records, and other information that will need to be gathered. Understanding what information will be helpful to build your case is critical; evidence that proves the liability of the responsible party or parties and the nature and extent of your damages ensures that you will be fully compensated for your damages.

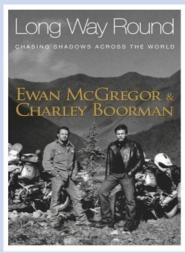
While you may be able to obtain or provide some records or other information regarding your injury, in many cases, the assistance of a legal professional is necessary to gather certain types of evidence, such as witness testimony, medical records and bills, police reports, photos and videos, vehicle data, financial losses and other expert testimony.

#### **Recommended Reads**

For Professional Development, this month I am recommending *Voir Dire and Opening Statement* by Nicholas Rowley, Courtney Rowley and Wendy Saxon. As most trial attorneys would agree, Voir Dire is one of the most important, if not the most important, part of any jury case. It ensures that our clients can seek a just result of their case as determined by a jury of their peers. Proper jury selection ensures that the case can be tried based on facts and circumstances of the case, and not any juror's prejudices. Opening statements set the proper stage and standard for the case. This book goes in depth on both of these, Voir Dire and Opening Statements, and provides many useful techniques and strategies for making sure that both are done successfully.

For Personal Enjoyment I suggest reading Ewan McGregor & Charley Borman's *Long Way Round: Chasing Shadows Across the World*. This highly entertaining book was also accompanied by a mini-series that followed these two friends as they motorcycled around the world and followed their often hilarious, heart-warming and exciting adventures. The book is a quick read and the mini-series a worthwhile television that even non-motorcyclists can really enjoy and appreciate.







## **October Fun Community Events**

Joliet, IL: <u>The Old Joliet Haunted Prison</u> is now open! This year, some of their attractions include "Zombie Laser Tag", "Mini Escape Rooms" and "The Neon Cowboy Secret Bar"!

**Lockport, IL**: <u>Lockport Township Park District's Hayride of Horrors</u> will take you on a scary hayride through Dellwood Park.

**Downers Grove, IL**: One of the scariest haunted houses around, <u>Disturbia Hunted House</u>, located in Downers Grove, looks like it's not going to disappoint adrenaline seekers this year.

Minooka, IL: This year, Heap's Giant Pumpkin Farm offers a Haunted Corn Maze and a Moonlight Hayrides. The Haunted Corn Maze will scare you and the Moonlight Hayride promises to relax you with a 20-30 minute moonlight hayride through the farm.

**Montgomery, IL:** <u>Massacre Haunted House</u>, located in Montgomery, IL is one of the largest haunted houses in Chicagoland. The Haunted House has over 35,000 square feet and features nearly 100 trained actors ready to scare you!

**Aurora, IL:** <u>Basement of the Dead</u>, which is recommended for kids ages 13 and up opened at the end of September. It promises to be one of the scariest haunted houses around!

**St. Charles, IL:** Monster Purge is located on 8 acres of land right behind the Kane County Fairgrounds in St. Charles. The experience includes a 12-15 min bus ride through the post apocalyptic field of monsters. All rides include 100 rounds of paintballs to shoot the monsters with.

**Lockport, IL:** Hell's Gate Haunted House is a multi-level mansion that is full of scary secret passages, slides, monsters and a zombie filled woods. While at the mansion, you can also visit the Lost Souls Cemetary for additional scares and thrills.

**Lisle, IL**: The Morton Arboretum's Scarecrow Trail is now open! The Trail showcases almost 50 scarecrows, which were handmade by local scout troops. Fun for younger kids.

**Lemont, IL:** Trick-or-Treat with your child's favorite characters at The Forge's <u>Character Meet and Treat</u> on Sunday, October 22, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. Kids will get to meet and interact with various characters, including friendly witches and fairies.

### Friendly Remainders

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.

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