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ON OUT-OF-STATE AUTO ACCIDENTS

All auto accidents are scary — out-of-state ones maybe more. Rest assured virtually all auto insurance policies will cover you in every state, despite variations in insurance rules and state laws. Driving out of state for extended periods (i.e., beyond a few weeks) or moving to another state will require you to update your insurance or buy a new policy.



If you purchased your state's minimum allowable amount of insurance coverage but that amount is less than what is required in the state where your accident occurred, almost all policies will bump you up to the higher minimum — a.k.a. the "broadening clause." Conversely, if your minimum coverage is higher than the state minimum where the accident occurred, you're covered by the higher amount.

The broadening clause also kicks in if you live in a "fault" state that does not require personal injury protection (PIP) insurance and the accident occurs in a "no-fault" state, where it is required. Again, you're covered.

You must file a claim in the state where the accident took place or where the at-fault driver (or business) resides. You generally won't be able to file in your home state unless the at-fault driver (or business) resides, owns property, or works there.

Typically, you will need to hire an attorney from the state where the accident occurred — ideally, located near the city or county where the accident took place to save on time and transportation costs, and to benefit from their knowledge of the local courts, judges, and attorneys. Unfortunately, in-person appearances may be required for some court proceedings.

If you are injured by a negligent driver while out of state, **Corradino & Papa** stands ready to assist you, even if we can't take on the case ourselves. ■

Your Biggest Accident Could Be Your Choice of Attorney

hunting and firearms-related injuries



According to U.S. Census Bureau statistics for 2020, over 15 million Americans purchased hunting licenses. Communing with nature, the thrill of the hunt, and stocking the freezer are some of the reasons for hunting's popularity.

Despite the number of firearms (and crossbows) being utilized in the woods and fields, hunting is, overall, one of the safest outdoor activities around (on an injury-per-100,000-participants basis). The International Hunter Education Association states that the U.S. and Canada combined see about 1,000 firearms-related accidents per year, with roughly 100 resulting in fatalities.

However, those who are injured and families who lose a loved one aren't thinking about good safety numbers when tragedy occurs. Negligent behavior occurs while hunting, too, and when firearms are involved, injuries can be devastating. Broken bones and organ, nerve, tissue, and brain damage may require extensive medical attention, multiple surgeries, long-term hospital stays, and lifelong care.



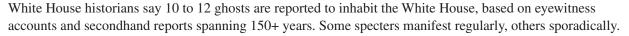
Many firearms-related hunting accidents involve mistaking people for game and firing. Incidents frequently involve experienced hunters from the same hunting party. Other sources of firearms accidents include reckless handling of a firearm; failure to properly maintain and service weapons; and failure to engage the safety mechanism. In addition, a parent teaching their child (on a permit) to hunt could be held liable for an accident precipitated by their child.

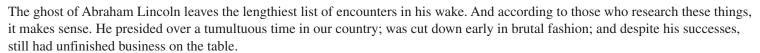
In some instances, defectively designed or manufactured weapons may be culpable in hunting accidents. In this scenario, a product liability claim might be warranted.

If you or a family member becomes a victim of negligence while hunting, call our office. At **Corradino & Papa** we will fight to attain the compensation you deserve for short- and long-term expenses, lost wages, and pain and suffering.

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White House spookiness





Over the years, some notable White House guests and tenants have seemingly encountered Lincoln. During World War II, Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands was awakened overnight by insistent tapping on the door. Thinking it must be an urgent message, she quickly answered, beheld Lincoln's apparition, and crumpled into a heap on the floor — out cold.

Winston Churchill stayed overnight at the White House on multiple occasions. In one instance, he allegedly emerged naked from his evening bath, smoking his customary cigar, and found Lincoln sitting by the fireplace in his room. It would be fun to know who had the most shocked expression on their face.

No-nonsense Harry Truman frequently grumbled about the White House being haunted. The sounds, voices, moving objects, and so forth. When asked by wife Bess if he planned to haunt the White House one day, he replied, "No man in his right mind would want to come here of his own accord."

Spirit encounters seemingly aren't limited to humans. Without fail, Ronald and Nancy Reagan's dog Rex would frantically bark at the Lincoln Bedroom entrance but steadfastly refuse to enter. The Lincolns introduced pet cats to the White House. No doubt a canine-vs.-ghost-cats standoff.

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spotlight of the month



This is Leo. He is part of Tiare's family and is a 5-year-old Yorkie. Leo was a graduation gift from from her husband and he was about 8 weeks old when she got him. He's a little dog that thinks he's a big dog. He loves to play with other dogs at the dog's park, loves to play tug of war, and absolutely loves to cuddle. ■

tainted candy

LOW ON LIST OF TRICK-OR-TREAT HAZARDS

Strangers sabotaging Halloween candy always grabs headlines, though it's extremely rare. By many accounts, it became a bogeyman in 1964, when a Long Island, New York, woman handed out dog biscuits, steel wool pads, and arsenic (clearly marked as poison) to trick-or-treaters she deemed too old to be soliciting sweets. Fortunately, no one got hurt, but fear was instilled.

However, far more persistent trick-or-treating hazards abound:

According to Safe Kids Worldwide, fatal pedestrian accidents involving children double on Halloween

night. Excited trick-or-treaters might stray from sidewalks, cross streets at ill-advised places, run between parked cars, or miscalculate speed or distance. Add to that a surge in Halloween drivers combined with speeding, distracted driving, and excessive Halloween party imbibing — it's a volatile situation.

Costumes can place kids at risk, too. Masks and accessories may hinder a child's vision. Bulky costumes can affect movement; costumes that are too long can cause trips and falls. Poor visibility imperils children.

Steady doorbell ringing and strangers at the door can sometimes unnerve pet dogs and potentially lead to bites. Dogs should be kept in another room, or properly secured if outside (away from pedestrian paths).

Property owners should keep walking paths clear and make sure repairs are up to date (e.g., sidewalk, porch railings, steps, porch floorboards). Good illumination should be a priority. Although many falls involve just minor scrapes and bruises, fractures and traumatic brain injuries occur, too.

Checking your child's loot after a night of trick-or-treating is wise, but there are even more pressing Halloween hazards that shouldn't be overlooked. If you or your child is injured due to someone's negligence, contact **Corradino & Papa** to protect your rights.. ■



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Quote of the Month: "Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover." –Mark Twain

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pumpkin pie dip

Ingredients

- 8 oz cream cheese, softened
- 2 cups powdered sugar
- 1 1/4 cups canned pumpkin
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 1 1/2 tsp cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp nutmeg
- 1/2 tsp ginger
- 1/4 tsp cloves (optional)
- 1/4 1/2 cup caramel sauce, store bought or homemade (optional, but highly recommended)
- graham crackers, chocolate crackers or gingersnap cookies for servings

Directions

1. In a large mixing bowl, using an electric hand mixer on low speed, blend together cream cheese and powdered sugar until combine, then increase mixer to medium and beat for 1 minute until smooth and fluffy.

2. Add in pumpkin, sour cream, cinnamon, nutmeg, ginger and cloves and mix until well blended and fluffy, about 1 - 2 minutes. Drizzle with optional caramel sauce (and marble if desired), serve with crackers. Store in refrigerator in an airtight container.











