

BUS ACCIDENTS: FAST FACTS

According to a recent report published by the Buses Involved in Fatal Accidents (BIFA) Factbook, an average of 325 buses are involved in fatal accidents each year. In 2004 alone, New York had 22 fatalities, the third largest total in the United States behind California (36) and Florida (32). When you consider that 40% of the buses on our nation's roads are school buses, this alarming number becomes an even greater concern.

A BRIEF HISTORY

Involved in an Accident?

Document as much information as possible including; driver name and telephone number

Get the name and telephone number of the bus company that the driver works for

Document the name and contact information of any other drivers that were involved in the accident

Document name and contact information of any witnesses. If possible, take photos at the scene of the accident (camera phone pictures would suffice)

Visit a doctor and document any and all injuries that occurred as a result of the accident.

Causes of Accidents

Driver negligence, faulty highway technology, defective products, tire separation, weather conditions and rollovers

Stricter legislation has been sought to govern the requirements that drivers face in order to get an appropriate operating license, yet accidents involving school, intercity, charter and transit buses continue to happen at an alarming rate. As our city streets become more congested due to widespread increase in population, the number of accidents and fatalities will surely continue to rise.

Bus accidents can result in severe personal injury or death and can be caused by a number of factors. Driver negligence, faulty highway technology, defective products, tire separation, rollovers and weather have all been documented as contributing factors in serious bus accidents.

You do not have to be inside of a bus during the accident to contact a lawyer regarding an injury! Bus accident injuries can be sustained while riding on a bus, walking on a street or driving (or riding) in a car that is hit by a bus.

If you or a loved one have been injured in a school, intercity, charter or transit bus accident, please call us immediately at **1.800.966.4999** and see why our law firm has recovered over \$100 million on behalf of our clients.

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