

Denver Intersection Accident FAQs

Answers to common questions about intersection accidents in Denver.

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Q: How is fault determined in a Denver intersection accident?

A: Fault is determined by examining evidence such as traffic camera footage, surveillance video, witness statements, the police report, vehicle damage, skid marks, and traffic control devices. Colorado law assigns fault based on which driver violated traffic rules.

Q: What are common causes of intersection accidents in Denver?

A: Common causes include running a red light, failing to yield the right-of-way, and making unsafe turns. These actions often involve violating traffic rules.

Q: Does Colorado law consider comparative fault?

A: Yes, Colorado uses a comparative fault system. This means that both drivers involved in an accident can potentially share responsibility for the crash.

Q: What is the role of an intersection accident lawyer in proving fault?

A: An intersection accident lawyer can quickly gather and preserve crucial evidence. This helps to establish that the other driver was primarily at fault for the collision.

Q: What kind of evidence is used to determine fault?

A: Evidence includes traffic camera footage, business surveillance video, witness statements, the police report, details about vehicle damage, skid marks, and the condition of traffic control devices at the intersection.

Q: What happens if both drivers are found to be at fault in Colorado?

A: Under Colorado's comparative fault system, if both drivers share responsibility, their fault percentages will be determined. This impacts how damages are awarded.

Q: Why is it important to preserve evidence after an intersection accident?

A: Preserving evidence quickly is vital because it can be lost or degraded over time. This evidence is essential for proving who was at fault and for supporting your claim.

Q: Can a lawyer help if I was partially at fault for the accident?

A: Yes, even if you were partially at fault, an attorney can help ensure your fault percentage is accurately assessed. This is important because your ability to recover damages depends on the comparative fault rules.

Q: What are the traffic rules commonly violated at intersections?

A: The most common violations include running a red light or stop sign, failing to yield the right-of-way to other vehicles or pedestrians, and making illegal or unsafe turns.

Q: How can surveillance video help in an intersection accident case?

A: Surveillance video from nearby businesses or traffic cameras can provide objective footage of the accident. This visual evidence is often critical in determining how the crash occurred and who was at fault.

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