

Navigating Your Auto Accident Claim

Key steps to take after a car accident in Colorado Springs

Based on Auto Accidents by McCormick and Murphy

Immediately After the Accident: Secure the Scene and Seek Medical Attention

- Ensure your safety and the safety of others.
- Call 911 to report the accident and request emergency services if needed.
- Exchange information with other drivers involved (name, contact, insurance).
- Document the scene with photos and videos if possible.
- Seek medical evaluation, even if injuries seem minor.



Within 24-48 Hours: Notify Insurance Companies and Gather Information

- Report the accident to your own insurance company.
- Do NOT give recorded statements to the other party's insurance adjuster.
- Gather witness contact information.
- Keep a record of all communications.



First Week: Consult with an Attorney

- Contact McCormick and Murphy for a free consultation.
- Discuss the details of your accident and injuries.
- Understand your legal rights and options.



Ongoing: Medical Treatment and Documentation

- Follow all medical advice and attend all appointments.
- Keep detailed records of all medical treatments, bills, and expenses.
- Note any impact the injuries have on your daily life.



Ongoing: Insurance Claim Management

- Allow your attorney to handle communications with insurance adjusters.
- Provide your attorney with all requested documentation.
- Resist pressure to settle quickly before understanding the full extent of damages.



Resolution Phase: Negotiation and Settlement

- Your attorney will negotiate with the insurance company.
- Evaluate settlement offers based on damages and losses.
- Proceed to litigation if a fair settlement cannot be reached.

Resources & Further Reading

Related guides for this timeline:

■ Navigating a Distracted Driving Accident Claim (Process Flow)

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■ Questions to Ask About Your Distracted Driving Accident Claim

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