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## Experience Pays: Harris & Harris Fixes Prior Lawyer's Mistakes and Wins Big Verdict For Injured Client

**N**ot all injury lawyers are created equal. This simple truth is clearly evident throughout the events that led to a big verdict for one recent Harris & Harris client.

Many times, an injured victim of a car accident doesn't know who to turn to; hurt, unable to work, afraid, and uncomfortable calling a lawyer who appears 200 times a day on TV commercials. They didn't plan for this accident, it wasn't their fault, and now they don't know who to ask for help. One recent Harris & Harris client with serious injuries after a rear-end collision was in the same situation. She initially hired a lawyer who was an acquaintance of a friend. That lawyer, however, had almost no

experience handling personal injury cases. Even worse, he mismanaged her case so badly he barely avoided malpractice. He lost evidence and failed to do the work to prepare for trial. Fortunately, another attorney wisely recommended Harris & Harris Lawyers just in time. Even though we knew it would be hard to fix, we agreed to take her case and committed to getting her justice. We knew exactly what to do because, unlike the prior lawyer, we devote our practice exclusively to representing injury victims and are personally responsible for each and every case we handle.

The moment Harris & Harris agreed to take her case, our lawyers let the defendants know the easy

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## Asked To Sign Insurance Company Documents? Get Legal Help First

**A**fter an accident, an insurance company may ask you to sign certain forms. It's vital to call us before signing anything, as these documents could affect your rights and the compensation you receive.

One form you'll likely be asked to sign is medical related, giving the insurance company the power to obtain your medical records. But this power could be very broad, meaning the insurance company can obtain ALL your medical records, including those unrelated to the accident. The insurance company will be looking for ways to avoid paying you. For example, based on the records, they may try to claim your injuries

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**Insurance Company Documents**, *continued*

were preexisting or caused by something other than the accident.

An insurance company may also ask you to sign a "release" of all claims in return for a small sum of money. Signing this could end your claim for far less than you should receive. Remember that once you sign a "release," it's very hard to cancel it if you later find out your damages are higher.

After an accident, you have the right to consult your lawyer before signing anything. Enforce this right, as it can make the difference between receiving little or no compensation versus the maximum recovery.

**Experience Pays**, *continued*

ride was over and that we would not stop until we received the maximum possible for our client. We put the pressure on defendants, filed motions, travelled across the country to depose witnesses, hired experts, and prepared for trial. Defendants still refused to make an offer to settle. The result? At trial, a jury awarded our client a verdict of nearly \$1.5 million dollars and defendants had to pay her attorney fees and costs for their failure to settle before trial.

Our years of experience and exclusive dedication to representing injured victims help us achieve successful results for hundreds of clients. Unlike other attorneys, it's all we do. From the beginning of a case through trial and beyond, we put the time, personal attention, and effort into each case to get the best results for every client.



**I**f you are hurt in an accident, please call us. We are dedicated to providing top quality legal representation to accident victims. We fight for your rights and try to resolve your claim quickly, with the goal of obtaining the maximum compensation for you. We handle all types of personal injury cases and offer a free consultation.

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*Are you wondering who to trust after an accident? If you have questions, tell us your story...we can help you too.*

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