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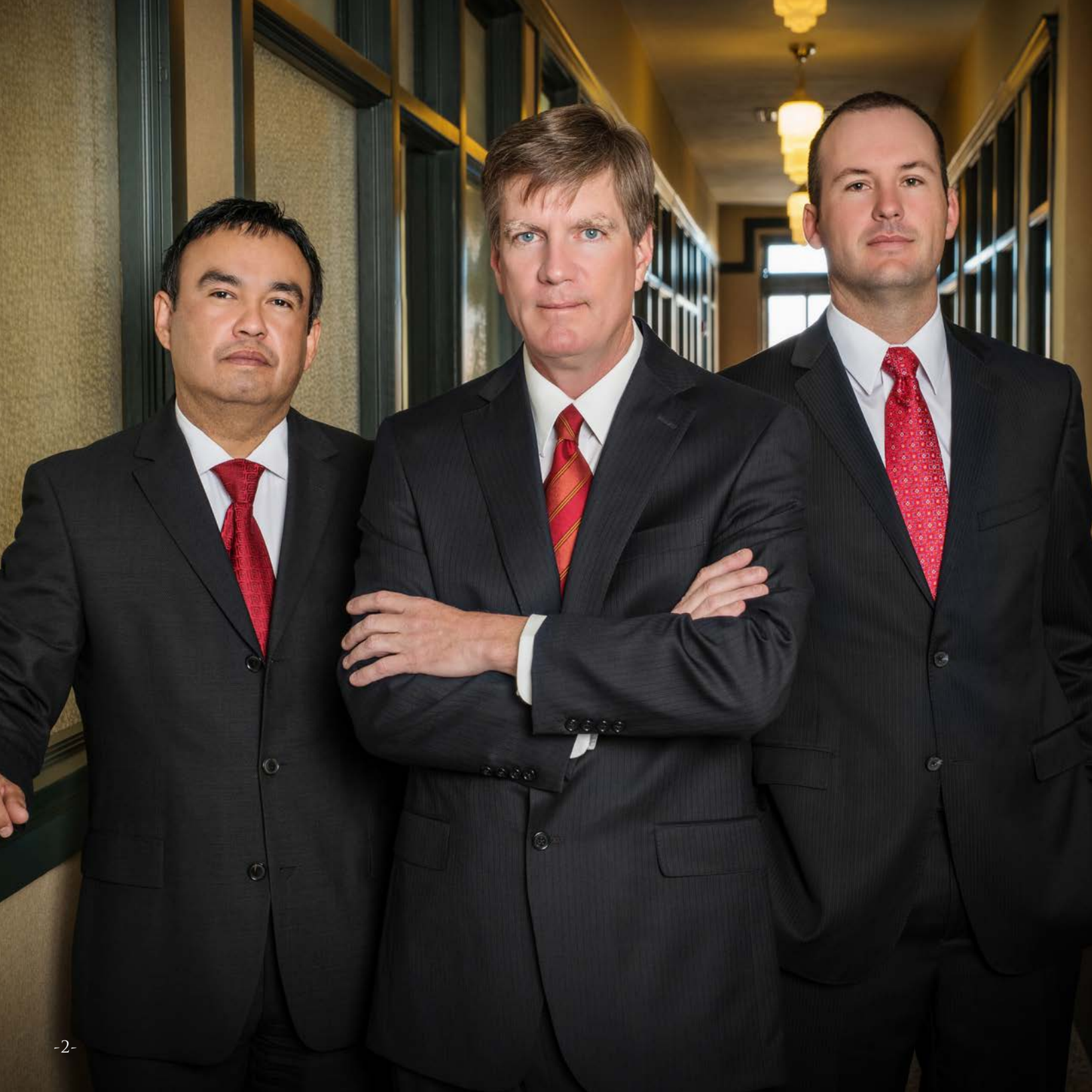
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# LET US FIGHT FOR YOU

At Glasheen, Valles & Inderman, LLP, we have a team with the expertise and resources to aggressively represent people who have been seriously injured. Our firm focuses solely on personal injury cases including:

- Motor Vehicle Wrecks: Car, Motorcycle, Truck & Train Wrecks
- Industrial, Gas Explosions, Cotton Gin & Elevator Injuries
- Oilfield Injuries
- Work Injuries
- Defective Products
- Catastrophic Injuries: Brain, Burn and Spinal Injuries
- Wrongful Death

We are committed to the pursuit of justice and have the resources to go up against the largest companies and hold them accountable for their negligence. We aggressively handle cases against the insurance companies so our clients can focus on what's important—recovery and family.

Our team takes the time to fully evaluate a case and has the resources to actively prosecute cases on behalf of our clients. We not only have the financial resources but also the connections to find you the right doctor, hire the best expert witnesses, and create high-value computer-generated graphics and videos to prove your case.

For 25 years, our attorneys have built a tradition of being advocates in the courtroom and in the community. Our experience is reflected in a record of substantial recoveries including a \$65 million verdict for a train wreck death case, \$9.9 million settlement for a motorcycle wreck brain injury and \$6.25 million settlement for an oilfield truck wreck with multiple fractures and orthopedic injuries.

At Glasheen, Valles & Inderman we have the balance of aggressiveness and compassion to fight for our clients and we have the results to prove it.

# KEVIN GLASHEEN

## LICENSED IN TEXAS, NEW MEXICO & COLORADO



For more than 25 years, Kevin Glasheen has been a strong voice for people who have been seriously injured. He has won substantial recoveries for clients injured in train wrecks, serious car and trucking wrecks, work injury cases and industrial cases such as gas explosions, meat packing plants and grain elevators.

Kevin graduated from Texas Tech University School of Law in 1988 after receiving an undergraduate degree in economics from Texas A&M University.

In 1988 he opened his own law office immediately out of law school and began handling personal injury cases. In his first civil jury trial, Kevin won a million-dollar verdict against Ethicon in San Angelo, Texas—a record for Tom Green County. That early success gave Kevin the opportunity to work on many other significant cases, and he has been lead counsel in many multimillion-dollar civil cases.

Recognized as a Super Lawyer by Thomson Reuters continuously since 2004, Kevin knows what it takes to prepare and win a case at trial. His impressive record of success on behalf of his injured clients has inspired confidence within the community, leading to numerous referrals from other attorneys, judges, doctors and past clients.

Kevin is Board Certified in Personal Injury Trial Law and Civil Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization. He is admitted to practice in all state courts in Texas, New Mexico and Colorado. Kevin is also licensed to practice in the United States District Court for the Northern, Southern, Eastern and Western Districts of Texas, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit and the Supreme Court of the United States of America.





# NOE VALLES

LICENSED IN TEXAS & NEW MEXICO

*"When I first hired Kevin & Noe, they explained in detail what it would take to win my case. I knew I did not have to worry about my case when I hired them.*

*Everyone there is very friendly and very compassionate to you and your feelings.*

*They helped me when things got tough financially. I felt very at ease and never under pressure at any time. I thought the case would go on for years but it was handled in a very timely manner, a lot quicker than I ever thought. I will never forget anyone there and consider them my friends."*

*- Leticia T.*

Noe Valles is the pre-litigation managing partner with extensive experience handling serious injury cases such as car, motorcycle and truck wrecks, dog bite cases and on-the-job injuries. He has handled cases throughout the states of Texas and New Mexico and is experienced in handling cases involving all types of injuries, from soft tissue injuries to catastrophic injuries.

Noe was born in a small town outside Juarez, Mexico, and immigrated to the United States with his family as migrant farm workers. Growing up in Plainview, he learned the value of hard work, and his dedication and commitment to his clients reflects those values. Noe has been practicing law in Lubbock since 1994 after graduating from Texas Tech University School of Law.

For the past 20 years, Noe has been providing personal injury services in English and Spanish. As a bilingual attorney, Noe helps break the language barrier and aggressively fights for our Spanish-speaking clients.

Noe is licensed to practice law in all state courts in Texas and New Mexico. He is also admitted to practice law in the United States District Court for the Northern and Eastern Districts of Texas.

# CHAD INDERMAN

## LICENSED IN TEXAS & NEW MEXICO



Chad Inderman began working for Kevin Glasheen and Noe Valles in 2002. He rapidly advanced to a full partnership position and now manages the firm's litigation attorneys and staff. Chad's aggressive approach to litigating cases has repeatedly led to large monetary recoveries for injured clients and their families. He has been successful in trial and settlement of many catastrophic injury cases.

Chad grew up in rural Central Texas and graduated from Texas A&M University. He has been a member of the law firm since he graduated with honors from Texas Tech University School of Law.

For three consecutive years, Chad has been named to the Thomson Reuters Texas Rising Star list as an up-and-coming-attorney in Texas; less than 2.5% of lawyers in Texas are chosen for this recognition. In 2013, Chad earned Martindale-Hubbell's highest rating, AV-Preeminent, for legal ethics and ability.

A sample of Chad's case experience includes catastrophic workplace injuries involving cotton gins, warehouses, forklifts, cattle feeding facilities, petroleum refineries, grain handling facilities, oilfield work, and various other industrial injury cases. His expertise in OSHA regulations and workplace safety standards has given our clients an advantage in their cases and has led to numerous successful recoveries for injured workers. Chad also handles litigation of serious automobile, motorcycle, and truck wreck cases.

Chad is licensed to practice law in all state courts in Texas and New Mexico. He is also admitted to practice in the United States District Courts for the Northern and Western Districts of Texas, the United States District Court for the District of New Mexico, and the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.





## JASON MEDINA

LICENSED IN TEXAS, NEW MEXICO & OKLAHOMA



Jason has successfully handled a variety of cases including auto and truck wrecks, gas plant explosions, oilfield and agricultural injury cases, various on-the-job injuries and cases involving wrongful death. His experience and dedication to his clients is reflected in his work on a case that resulted in the third largest verdict for workplace safety as featured in Texas Lawyer's Top Texas Verdicts of 2012.



Jason is licensed to practice in Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma. He is also admitted to practice in the United States District Courts for the Northern and Western Districts of Texas, the Western District of Oklahoma, the District of New Mexico and in the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. Since 2012, he has been named to Thomson Reuters Texas Rising Star list as an up-and-coming attorney in Texas. In 2013, he earned Martindale-Hubbell's highest rating, AV-Preeminent, for legal ethics and ability.



# JOHN H. COOK, IV

## LICENSED IN TEXAS

John has practiced law for over 25 years in West Texas. He handles all types of personal injury and wrongful death litigation cases including auto, truck and train wrecks, work injuries, and industrial and oilfield cases.

Prior to practicing personal injury law, John's principle area of specialty was criminal defense, with an emphasis in cases involving intoxication. He has been lead counsel in over 150 jury trials with an impressive number of victories. His practice in criminal defense gives him an unique perspective when fighting for his clients who have been injured or wrongfully killed in an accident.

John is licensed to practice in Texas and is also admitted to practice in United States District Court for the Northern and Western District of Texas. His expertise has earned him recognition as an AV-Preeminent rated attorney by Martindale-Hubbell, the highest rating for legal ethics and ability.





### **Jonathon (Jon) C. Clark, Attorney**

*Licensed in Texas, New Mexico & Colorado*

Jon handles pre-litigation and litigation cases in our Austin office. He has focused his entire career on representing people, and their families, who have suffered catastrophic injuries or death. Over the years, Jon has represented people in serious workplace injuries, commercial trucking cases, significant motor vehicle and motorcycle crashes, pipeline explosions, pedestrian accidents, and various other situations. His aggressive style has led to successful outcomes through settlement and trial for hundreds of clients.

Jon graduated from Texas Tech University School of Law in 2009 and is licensed to practice in Texas, New Mexico and Colorado.



### **Laney Crocker, Attorney**

*Licensed in Texas*

Laney handles auto and truck wreck litigation cases in our Lubbock office. She is focused on ensuring that her clients get the care they need while she handles their claim on their behalf.

Laney attended University of California, Berkeley, graduating in May 2012, and attended Texas Tech University School of Law, graduating in May 2015. In law school, she was a member of Board of Barristers, Phi Delta Phi International Legal Honor Society, and was the Chief Ambassador of the Dean's Student Ambassador Corps.



### **Matt Lopez, Attorney**

*Licensed in Texas*

Matt manages personal injury cases in our El Paso office. He has successfully represented clients involved in car and truck wrecks, work injuries, industrial injury cases, slip-and-fall injuries and dog bites. Matt works hard to stand up for the rights of people in El Paso and the surrounding communities. His goal is to help the injured get the compensation they deserve.

Matt is licensed to practice in Texas. He has been a member of the law firm since he graduated from Texas Tech University School of Law in 2010.



### **Kenny Morris, Attorney**

*Licensed in Texas & New Mexico*

Kenny manages personal injury cases in our Odessa office. He is committed to providing effective, aggressive and honest representation for people who have been seriously injured. Kenny's personal injury experience includes car and truck wrecks, oilfield truck wrecks, work injuries and oilfield and industrial injury cases.

Kenny is licensed to practice in Texas and New Mexico. He graduated from Texas Tech University School of Law with honors in 2012.



### **Nicholas Peña, Attorney**

*Licensed in Texas & New Mexico*

Nick handles litigation cases in our Lubbock office. As a bilingual attorney, Nick understands the unique challenges endured by our Spanish speaking clients and fights to ensure that they are aggressively represented against insurance companies and receive the compensation they deserve. Nick's personal injury experience includes auto and truck wrecks, slip-and-fall injury cases and work injuries.

Nick is licensed to practice law in Texas and New Mexico. In 2005, he graduated from Texas Tech University School of Law.

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## DEDICATED REPRESENTATION

### MOTOR VEHICLE WRECKS

18-Wheeler Truck    Train  
Motorcycle        Car

### WORK INJURIES

Oilfield            Construction  
Industrial        Gas Explosions  
Cotton Gin        Farming

### CATASTROPHIC INJURIES

Burn Injuries        Brain Injuries  
Spinal Cord Injuries    Wrongful Death

# OUR DIFFERENCE

## **Experienced Trial Lawyers**

Our law firm's philosophy is that a personal injury case should be prosecuted aggressively. Each month we conduct case meetings with our entire staff to ensure that each case is moving forward and is prepared for settlement or trial. By handling cases efficiently, we produce results with satisfied clients.

Although many cases settle before trial, all of our attorneys are always prepared to try a case in front of a jury. We believe that if you prepare a case for trial, it is more likely to settle, and if you prepare a case to settle, it is more likely to go to trial.

## **Resources to Fight**

Our firm has the resources available to do first-class work. We can help our clients find the best doctors, hire the best expert witnesses available, and go head-to-head with any lawyer or defendant in the country, whether it is an industrial oil and gas corporation or the largest insurance company.

We have a team of ten attorneys, with a staff that includes an in-house investigator, videographer and graphic artist. We make use of technological and digital platforms to investigate, manage and maintain our cases. And we know what it takes to win a case: investing time, effort and money.

## **Established Trust**

Clients and referring attorneys have put their trust in us for more than 25 years. We know that communication is essential, and we take the time to get to know our clients, their families and their case. Our attorneys visit clients at their homes and go out to the scene of the crash or accident. This gives us a deep understanding of the client's case that cannot be obtained solely through depositions and photographs. The relationships and the trust we establish are more important than any fee we will ever earn.

## **History of Proven Results**

Our history of results reflect the experience and dedication our firm has for clients. Kevin Glasheen has been the lead counsel in train wreck trials which have resulted in two of the top train wreck jury verdicts in El Paso County. In 2012, our firm recovered the third largest verdict for workplace safety as featured in Texas Lawyer's Top Texas Verdicts of 2012.

## MOTOR VEHICLE WRECKS

Our attorneys have handled hundreds of motor vehicle wrecks. We fight to maximize the value of our clients' claims, and we make sure our clients are protected both now and in the future. We are experienced in handling cases involving all types of injuries from soft tissue and sore neck and back injuries to catastrophic injuries involving paralysis, brain injury and death.

### **\$6.25 Million** **Oilfield Truck Wreck | Multiple Fractures & Orthopedic Injuries**

Attorney Fees: \$2,383,333 | Expenses: \$125,921

Our clients were school children injured in a wreck with an oilfield service truck. The driver had been working twelve-hour days, day after day. We were able to show that the oilfield truck driver company was violating the Department of Transportation limitations on hours for service truck drivers and were not exempt from the requirements as they claimed.

We hired sleep deprivation experts and truck driving experts to show the nature and dangers of driving while fatigued. We located several former employees of the defendant who testified that driving fatigue was a regular problem that went unaddressed.

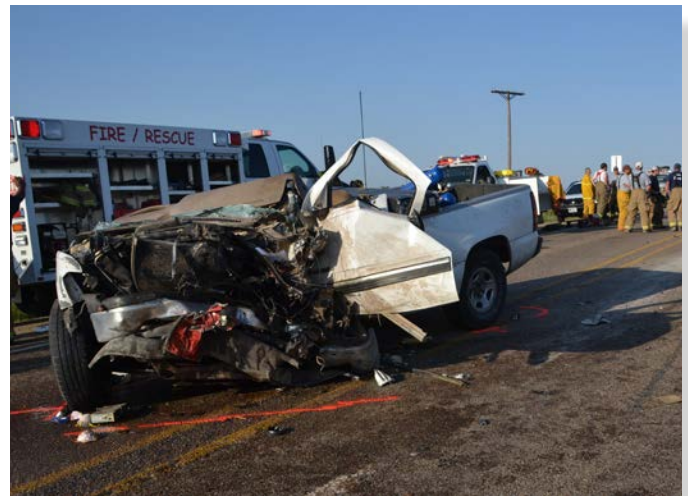
With the help of our team, our clients received the best orthopedic medical care and therapy. We helped our clients structure the settlement to ensure that the children will have an opportunity to attend any college and helped them establish a secure, lifetime income.

### **\$5.8 Million** **Commercial Vehicle Wreck | Wrongful Death & Brain Injury**

Attorney Fees: \$2,322,739 | Expenses: \$79,109

Our client was involved in a major crash when an oilfield service pickup failed to stop at a stop sign resulting in a high-speed t-bone crash. Our client's husband was killed in the crash, and she sustained a traumatic brain injury and major orthopedic injuries. We met the client while she was still in ICU.

We took the case with two immediate concerns: helping our client get to the best medical rehabilitation facilities and working to immediately preserve evidence associated with the wreck. We quickly made contact with the defendants and their insurance carrier, ensuring preservation of the vehicles, the defendant driver's cell phone, and other important evidence. We simultaneously worked with medical experts who helped us arrange for our client to be transferred to a top-rated acute brain injury rehab facility. Due to our involvement, our client received the transfer



with no delay or waiting list. Our client worked with her medical team to make an extraordinary recovery.

Shortly after being hired on the case, we filed a lawsuit and pushed toward trial. The defendants resisted giving us access to important evidence including their driver's cell phone, so we obtained a court order for the defendants to hand over the cell phone and other evidence. The day before the deadline to provide the cell phone, the defendants agreed to pay the amount we had demanded since our first settlement communication.

## **\$5.25 Million**

### **Car Wreck | Brain Injury**

Attorney Fees: \$1,750,000 | Expenses: \$40,125

Our client was injured in a rear-end collision when the defendant attempted to pass at an excessive rate of speed. When the defendant tried to pass our client on the left he struck our client's vehicle causing both vehicles to lose control. Our client was wearing his seat belt at the time of the wreck, but the force of the collision ejected him from



the rear window of his vehicle. As a result of the collision, our client suffered a head injury and was left a quadriplegic. We were able to prove that at the time of the collision, the defendant was driving while intoxicated, with a blood alcohol content of .281 percent—more than three times the legal limit in Texas. The defendant also tested positive for marijuana.

Our client came to us after contacting several other attorneys and having his case rejected. Among the reasons given for rejecting his case our client was told that there would be inadequate insurance to take care of his past and future medical bills.

In our investigation we were able to determine that there were actually millions of dollars in insurance coverage available as the drunk driver's vehicle belonged to an insurance agent who had primary insurance coverage and umbrella coverage.

We also hired an accident reconstruction expert who surveyed the scene. From the evidence gathered at the scene, our reconstruction expert was able to calculate that the drunk driver was traveling approximately 94 miles per hour in a 45 mph speed zone.

We helped our client obtain assistance from one of the nation's leading brain injury rehabilitation facilities. We documented his therapy and progress on video which made for a compelling presentation to the drunk driver's insurance company. We presented the reconstruction, as well as the video and photos documenting our client's injuries to the insurance company, and the case settled before trial. As a result of the settlement, our client's future medical needs are taken care of.

## **\$4.07 Million**

### **Car/ Commercial Vehicle Wreck | Wrongful Death**

Attorney Fees: \$1,522,333 | Expenses: \$63,656

Even when drivers are cautious and observant on the road, the negligence of other drivers can still overpower safe driving. That is what happened to our client when he collided head-on with another driver, causing his death.

On the way home from a long day of work, our client was traveling with other coworkers when another driver veered across the yellow line into their lane. Unfortunately the collision was unavoidable despite our client's best effort of pulling to the side of the road and hitting his breaks.

The other driver worked for a commercial company and was traveling that morning to begin his shift. Under the theory of *respondeat superior*, an employer can be held legally responsible for the wrongful acts of an employee or agent if the acts occur within the course and scope of the employment. In this case we were able to make claims against the defendant driver's employer because the driver was acting in the course and scope of his work.

Our client left behind two young children and a young wife. We helped them get the care they needed, including a psychologist to help cope with their loss and an economic expert to evaluate the future economic loss.

Although money will never be a fair compensation, the recovery will help the family with the economic and non-economic damages that resulted from the wreck and will help as they begin to rebuild their lives.

## **\$3.5 Million**

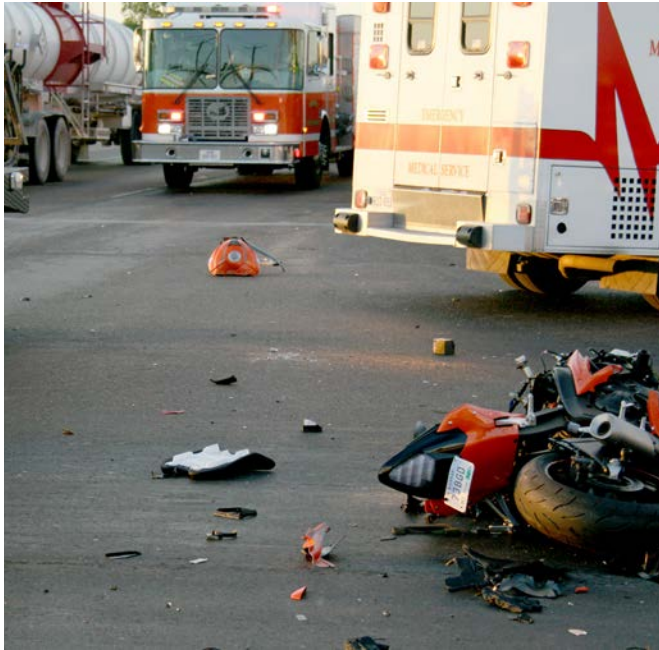
### **Commercial Vehicle Wreck | Wrongful Death**

Attorney Fees: \$1,166,666 | Expenses: \$46,520

Our client was tragically killed by an intoxicated driver of a commercial van. The defendant driver lost control of the vehicle and swerved into the left turning lane causing a violent collision into our client's vehicle. The crash should have been foreseeable by the defendant's employer as the defendant had been caught twice before operating company vehicles while intoxicated. Unfortunately, the employer continued to allow the defendant to operate company vehicles.

We obtained a substantial multimillion-dollar recovery for our client's family. Although a monetary settlement can never replace a loved one, it does help demand justice from such a tragic wreck.



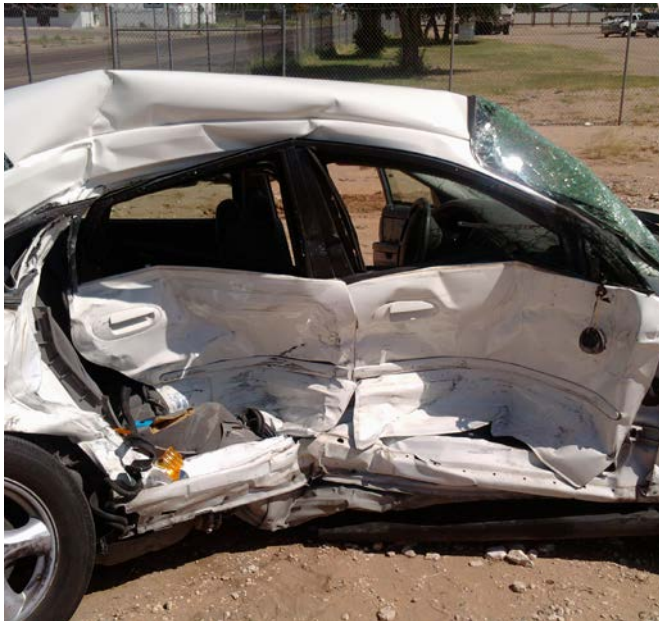


## **\$3.12 Million**

### **Commercial Vehicle Wreck, Cell Phone Use Wrongful Death**

Attorney Fees: \$925,000 | Expenses: \$65,910

Distracted driving can be as dangerous as driving while intoxicated, and we look for evidence of it in every major crash. In this case, the truck driver denied using his cell phone at the time of the crash, and the truck driver's attorneys fought vigorously, pointing to cell phone records that showed the truck driver was not sending a text message or on a phone call at the time of the crash. However, our experience with these types of cases told us there was likely more to the story, so we continued our investigation. We were able to download the truck driver's entire cell phone and show that shortly before the crash—while not sending text messages or on a phone call—the truck driver continuously used apps on his cell phone all the way up to the very location of the crash. This critical evidence allowed us to reach a policy-limits settlement for our clients.



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## **\$2.87 Million**

### **Commercial Vehicle Wreck | Wrongful Death & Orthopedic Injuries**

Attorney Fees: \$956,933 | Expenses: \$84,810

Our clients were traveling on the Interstate when their vehicle was struck from behind by an 18-wheeler truck causing it to lose control and roll. Despite many excuses and false defenses, we showed that the driver likely fell asleep. Failure to control speed, failure to make a timely application of the brakes and failure to keep a proper lookout were all shown as contributing factors.

This devastating wreck ripped a family apart and left horrifying images in those who lived. Our law firm also helped our clients get the medical attention they needed now and for the future.

## **\$1.75 Million**

### **Car Wreck | Wrongful Death**

Attorney Fees: \$700,000 | Expenses: \$18,422

Our client was an employee of an oilfield drilling company. The tool pusher had given the crew a ride home for a day off. Early the following morning, the crew was traveling back to the rig when the driver lost control of the company pickup truck, rolled it and ejected our client, causing his death. The driver had admitted in an interview that he had fallen asleep at the wheel. We were able to find evidence that the driver was traveling well over the speed limit.

Our client left behind a wife and minor child. Although money never replaces a loved one, it does help the family with their economic loss.

*"I would definitely recommend Glasheen, Valles & Inderman LLP to anyone. I was recently involved in an accident and they were sure to take care of me right away! Had a fast settlement and best of all was treated like family each visit!"*

*Actual Client - Adam G.*



## **\$1.45 Million**

### **Motorcycle Wreck | Multiple Fractures**

Attorney Fees: \$424,815 | Expenses: \$73,093

Our client was traveling on a two-lane divided highway when a hot-oiler truck collided with his motorcycle. We hired an accident reconstruction expert to reconstruct the collision. He stated that the defendant should have detected a motorcycle trying to pass before he made a left hand turn onto a private dirt road. This opinion was also based on the expert's review of the Texas Commercial Motor Vehicles Drivers Handbook which states, "special situations require more than regular mirror checks. These are lane changes, turns, merges and tight maneuvers."

We helped our client with his substantial medical bills, hired a consultant to evaluate his future medical expenses and hired an economics expert to determine lost wage earning capacity.

## **\$999,472**

### **Drunk Driver Car Wreck | Head Injury**

Attorney Fees: \$399,789 | Expenses: \$31,682

Our seventeen-year-old client suffered a closed-head injury when he was riding as a passenger in a pickup truck. The driver of the pickup truck took a curve in the road too fast and lost control of the truck, colliding with a pipe fence. Investigation revealed that the driver had been drinking alcohol prior to the incident.

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## 18-WHEELER TRUCK WRECKS

We have seen families torn apart and lives ruined because trucking companies too often are more concerned with cost and speed than safety.

Our attorneys are familiar with the trucking industry. We have the experts who can analyze the collision, and we have the resources and technology to aggressively pursue a claim. We have helped clients hold trucking companies responsible for unqualified drivers, poor maintenance and systematic disregard of DOT regulations.

### \$9.9 Million

#### 18-Wheeler Truck Wreck/ Motorcycle | Brain Injury

Attorney Fees: \$3,266,667 | Expenses: \$247,148

Our client was driving a motorcycle when a truck ran a stop sign in front of him. Our client suffered significant brain injury. One of the difficult questions in the case was whether a helmet would have made a difference.

We were able to hire one of the nation's leading experts in helmet safety issues and showed that, due to the velocity that our client hit the ground and the location of his head injury, a helmet would not have prevented the brain injury he suffered.

We helped our client obtain the best possible medical and rehabilitation care. This aggressive medical treatment ensured that our client could make a significant recovery.

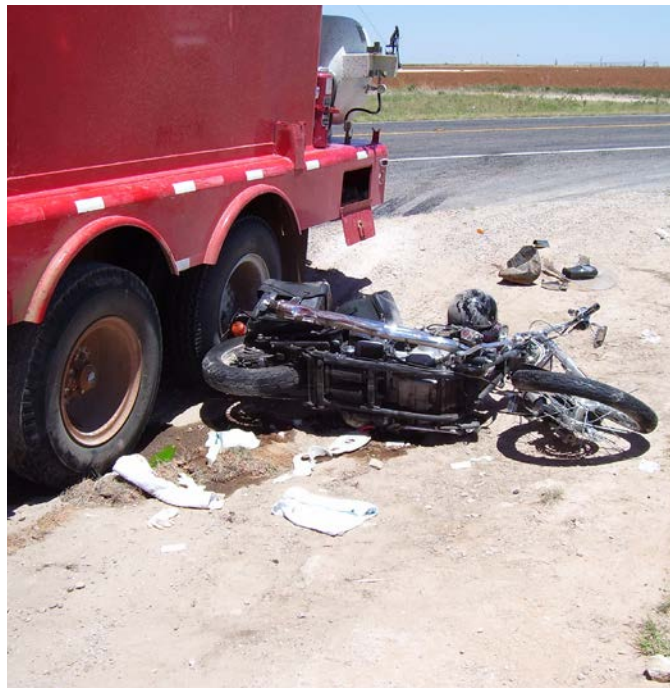
### \$5.85 Million

#### Truck Wreck | Wrongful Death

Attorney Fees: \$1,462,500 | Expenses: \$56,820

Three generations of a family were devastated after a tractor trailer—fully loaded with cargo - ran a stop sign and slammed into the driver's side of our clients' pick-up truck. The defendant driver was acting in the course and scope of his employment and admitted to being familiar with the intersection. The intersection was dry, and visibility was clear in all directions the day of the wreck.

The defendant was not injured but claimed that he could not remember the wreck. The defendant also admitted that he often intentionally disregarded rural stop signs. His actions killed two people, severely injured three others and tore a family apart forever.





## **\$3.5 Million**

### **18-Wheeler Truck Wreck | Brain Injury**

Attorney Fees: \$1,166,667 | Expenses: \$633,333

Near Amarillo, Texas, an 18-wheeler ran a stop sign in front of a pickup truck in which our client was a passenger. The pickup truck went underneath the tractor trailer causing a serious brain injury to our client. We showed the truck driver's logs were falsified and he had been driving in excess of the maximum hours allowed under DOT regulations.

We helped our client, who had been a Broadway actor, get treatment for his brain injury at a world renowned hospital in Denver, Colorado.

## **\$2 Million**

### **Car/ 18-Wheeler Truck Wreck | Shoulder Injury**

Attorney Fees: \$666,667 | Expenses: \$35,520

Our client was driving on the highway, hauling over 120 barrels of water, when another driver from oncoming traffic veered into our client's lane and collided head-on at highway speeds.

Our client suffered bilateral shoulder injuries that required surgery. We were able to show that our client's permanent impairment prevented him from being able to return to truck driving. With this recovery, our client was able to maintain financial comfort even at a lower-paying job.



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## TRAIN WRECKS

Railroad litigation is specialized and complex. Our firm has a national reputation for grade crossing litigation. Kevin Glasheen has been lead counsel in two train wreck trials that have resulted in two of the top train wreck verdicts in El Paso County.

### Confidential Settlement

#### Train Wreck | Wrongful Deaths & Multiple Injuries

The City of Midland had a parade to honor wounded veterans, which involved veterans and their wives riding on two flatbed trailers. The parade route crossed the railroad tracks near downtown Midland. As the second truck was entering the crossing, the gates started coming down on top of the trailer. Seven seconds later, a train slammed into the trailer, killing four veterans and severely injuring many others and their wives. Our firm, along with famed railroad lawyer Bob Pottroff of Manhattan, Kansas, represented most of the victims and their families. This case was a massive undertaking due to the number of people killed and injured, as well as the complex nature of the case. We aggressively investigated the railroad, taking more than 50 depositions. Ultimately we were able to demonstrate that the railroad crossing had a defect in the signal system, causing a short warning time.

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**TWO OF THE TOP TRAIN WRECK  
VERDICTS IN EL PASO COUNTY**

## \$65 Million Verdict

### Train Wreck | Wrongful Death

Settlement After Appeal: \$22,000,000

Attorney Fees: \$7,333,333 | Expenses: \$1,166,667

Our minor clients were left orphaned after their parents and one sibling were killed in a railroad crossing when the train failed to sound a whistle warning. Through expert witnesses and photographic and video evidence, we were able to demonstrate that the crossing was unsafe and should have had lights and gates.

At trial, railroad management testified that there was not a "black box" on the lead locomotive; however, an internal document obtained in discovery indicated information had been downloaded. We obtained a written instruction from the Court to the jury that told them, if they believed evidence had been destroyed, they could infer that such evidence would have been unfavorable to the defendant railroad.

Kevin Glasheen was lead counsel at trial, and the case was settled on appeal after a favorable jury verdict.

## \$46 Million Verdict

### Train Wreck | Wrongful Death

Settlement After High-Low Agreement: \$8,000,000

Attorney Fees: \$3,200,000 | Expenses: \$200,000

Our clients' child was killed when a train struck a car at a railroad crossing. The railroad had failed to control the vegetation around the crossing, and the high weeds obstructed the view of the approaching train. The settlement was paid within 30 days of trial with no appeals.

## **\$4.92 Million**

### **Train Crossing Collision | Brain Injury**

Attorney Fees: \$1,641,667 | Expenses: \$285,985

In the early morning hours, our client was driving to work when he collided with a railroad car that was improperly parked over a public crossing. In the pitch dark, the crossing had no warning signs or lights, and the railcars were painted in a flat gray paint with no reflective material or lighting to assist a motorist in detecting them. As a result of the collision, our client suffered a massive brain injury which resulted in permanent impairment.

Our client originally hired another attorney to represent him but after a year of work, the railroad denied liability and the case was referred to our firm for further investigation. Our team investigated and found evidence of violations of numerous operating rules and laws governing the signage necessary to be displayed on public crossings.

In preparation for trial, we created an animation which showed what a driver would have seen if they were approaching the crossing at night. We also conducted numerous mock trials to learn how jurors reacted to the facts we uncovered and the railroad company's explanations. We worked vigorously to make sure no detail was left uncovered. The case was settled two weeks from trial.

## **\$4 Million**

### **Train Wreck | Wrongful Death & Child Brain Injury**

Attorney Fees: \$1,800,000 | Expenses: \$142,429

Our client was an infant passenger in a vehicle struck by a train. The mother of the child was killed, and another person was severely injured. Years prior to the wreck, the railroad company had been notified by state officials that this crossing was set to be signalized because it met all of the criteria of a hazardous crossing. However, that signalization never took place. Additionally, even though the crossing was a public crossing, the railroad had the authority to close the crossing as there were other crossings in close proximity that were signalized with lights and gates. Railroad executives testified that it was the railroad's policy that it would not spend its own money to put lights and gates at public crossings. Their policy was to wait for state or federal officials to provide the funds to signalize those crossings. Through our investigation, we were able to demonstrate that the crossing was dangerous and should have had lights and gates to protect motorists. This case settled before trial.



# OILFIELD INJURY CASES

We have successfully litigated numerous oilfield injuries and wrongful death claims and maintain an active docket of claims. Our experience helps us identify the root cause of an oilfield injury and develop evidence to establish the responsible party. We have recovered millions of dollars for clients injured from burns, explosions, falls, improper equipment maintenance, defective products and wrongful death that have occurred in oilfields.

## **\$4 Million**

### **Oilfield Spill | Chemical Burn**

Attorney Fees: \$1,333,333 | Expenses: \$88,250

Our client was working at a gas compression station when a chemical company came to deliver acid to a 500-gallon tank. Our client went out to sign a purchase receipt for the delivery when the driver, who was standing on a five-gallon bucket and holding the hose above his head, asked our client to flip a switch on the truck to turn on the pump. When our client flipped the switch, the delivery driver fell off the bucket and sprayed our client with acid causing burns to his arms and back.

We discovered in litigation that delivery drivers for this chemical company had been complaining for two years that the acid tank did not have proper connections for their hose to make a safe delivery. Instead they had to hold the hose over the head and top-fill the tank. The chemical company sales people finally admitted that they knew the delivery system was unsafe, but did not want to lose the customer so they continued to make deliveries, even though the tank did not have proper hose connections.

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## \$4.5 Million

### Oilfield | Burn Injury

Attorney Fees: \$1,800,000 | Expenses: \$200,000

Our client was working as a welder on an oilfield gas pipeline collection system in Texas. The welding company he was working for had received a "hot work" permit from the operator of the pipeline system which assured them that the valves on the gas wells had been shut off so they could do their maintenance on the gas lines. However, the operator of the gas wells had not turned off the automatic timer that opened the gas well valves at regularly scheduled intervals. While our client was welding a pipe, the automatic valve from a gas well opened, releasing natural gas into the pipe that our client was welding. The gas ignited and our client suffered burns to his face and hands. The defendant accepted responsibility for the case, and, after our investigation, the case was settled early in litigation.



## \$4.05 Million

### Oilfield | Brain Injury

Attorney Fees: \$1,350,000 | Expenses: \$127,240

Our 26-year-old client sustained a traumatic brain injury when a valve exploded, striking him in the head, at an oil well. After substantial rehabilitation, our client was released to live with his mother due to his diminished capacity and inability to obtain competitive employment.

After a year-long fight, we helped our client reach a multimillion-dollar settlement. The settlement is structured to take care of all financial needs for the rest of his life. Our client now has the freedom to live with his children, in his own home, and free of financial uncertainty.

*"We highly recommend Glasheen, Valles & Inderman. They showed concern about our feelings and what we were going through at the time we came in... The firm went through every avenue to help the family and were truly concerned about us. We appreciate the firm so much to have so much patience with us."*

*Actual Client - Stephanie H.*

## **\$1.38 Million**

### **Oilfield Explosion | Wrongful Death**

Attorney Fees: \$451,178 | Expenses: \$36,695

Our client was killed working in the oilfield in Eastern New Mexico. A well exploded when a workover rig crew was attempting to plug and abandon a gas well for a large oil company. The explosion propelled the “christmas tree”—a set of valves and fittings at top of well - high into the air. As the workers tried to run away, the equipment fell onto our client, killing him.

New Mexico law provides protection to the employer for its negligence. In spite of substantial evidence of misconduct by the employer, the firm was able to prove that the oil company and another of its contractors ignored safety concerns leading up to the explosion. A settlement was reached with the oil company and contractor before trial.

## **\$1.3 Million**

### **Oilfield Equipment | Broken Jaw**

Attorney Fees: \$433,333 | Expenses: \$108,693

Our client was a wire line operator in the oilfield. While running test equipment on a well, the threads on a well head joint failed, causing the well head equipment to blast off the well head and strike him in the face. Our client suffered serious jaw and facial injuries.

We demonstrated that the oilfield equipment had an improper combination of tapered threads and straight cut threads which were a mismatch. The equipment had been supplied in a mismatched condition from an oilfield equipment supplier who was ultimately liable for the injury.

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## INDUSTRIAL INJURY CASES

We have handled hundreds of industrial workplace injury cases involving meat packing plants, punch press injuries, workplace slip and fall injuries, asphyxiation in confined work place injuries, auger injuries, electrocutions, explosive equipment failures, and forklift injuries. Many times companies try to create the appearance of worker's compensation insurance when, in fact, they are non-subscribers. We identify third-party claims and aggressively pursue gross negligence death claims even when there is worker's compensation insurance.

### **\$3 Million**

#### **Gas Plant Explosion | Wrongful Death**

Attorney Fees: \$1,000,000 | Expenses: \$39,835

Our client's husband was the supervisor for an oilfield services company that was testing pipe at a gas plant. The testing company used nitrogen gas to pressure up pipes to ensure that it was structurally sound before it was installed in a gas compression plant. While testing pipes our client's husband over-pressured the pipe and it exploded, causing his death.

Even though our decedent was in charge of pressuring up the pipe, we showed that he had been working for over 20 hours straight without a break, in violation of hours of service rules. Also we showed that the pressures that were to be used were communicated poorly, and critical information was not being communicated methodically. The pressures to be used in the test were communicated verbally and written with chalk on the pipe. We were able to show that under these circumstances, an explosion like this was going to happen.

### **\$7.5 Million**

#### **Gas Pipeline Explosion | Burn Case**

Attorney Fees: \$2,500,000 | Expenses: \$189,342

In the early morning hours, our clients awoke to the roar of a 400-foot-tall fireball caused by a gas line erupting less than 100 yards from their home. Three of the four members of the family were burned, and two received skin grafts and scar-revision surgeries. For a year and a half, we helped the family back on to their feet, helping them with medical bills and living expenses while the case was pending. This is allowed under Texas law.

We aggressively pursued our clients' claims against the gas company that owned the line. From preserving the evidence at the outset to hiring first-rate experts to aid us in the case, we left no stone unturned in our search to prove the gas company's negligence.

The gas company claimed that it was impossible to establish the cause of the pipeline rupture and therefore impossible to prove negligence. We were able to show that the failure occurred at a branch line connection that used a particular type of reinforcement that was known to fail. The gas company claimed it was not feasible to dig up and replace all such branch line connections. We showed that the company could have identified the at-risk connections that were near residential areas but had not done so.

We conducted mock trials to show the gas company that a jury was likely to find negligence and award significant damages. The case settled before trial, and the settlement will provide for the family's future and allow them to complete the rebuilding of their lives.

## **\$6 Million Verdict**

### **Industrial Injury | Amputated Arm**

Settlement: \$3,319,073 | Attorney Fees: \$1,194,866  
Expenses: \$92,669

Our client was a mentally challenged adult working at a community center in an occupational program when he lost his left arm below the elbow in a paper baler. The program was being run in association with a recycling company, who was responsible for maintaining and repairing the equipment.

Our client testified that he was loading scrap paper into the baler when the compacting machine activated and severed his arm. The evidence showed that the baler should not have functioned with the loading gate open and that employees of the recycling company deliberately overrode the safety mechanisms originally on the equipment.

At mediation, the insurance company for the defendant offered \$100,000 to settle the case. Our advice was "take it to a jury."

The jury found that the community center was 50 percent responsible, and the recycling company was 50 percent responsible for the injury. Although the jury awarded over \$6,000,000.00, our client only recovered half the amount awarded. The portion of responsibility assessed against the client's employer will not be recovered, because they had worker's compensation insurance.

**THIRD LARGEST VERDICT  
FOR WORKPLACE SAFETY**

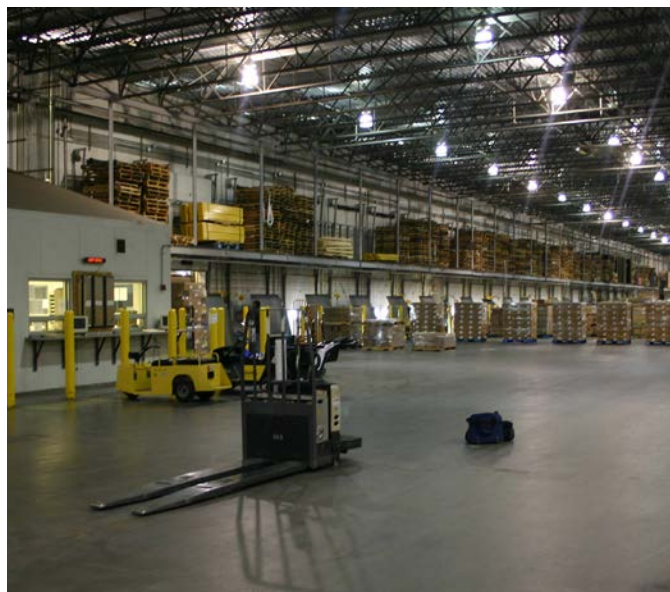
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## **\$4.1 Million**

### **Work Injury | Wrongful Death**

Attorney Fees: \$1,640,000 | Expenses: \$48,241.69

Industrial injury premises liability cases involve complex legal issues. Plaintiffs are faced with proving more than simple negligence including defendant's control of the work, knowledge of the danger, and adequacy of warnings. These and other dispositive issues must be addressed from case intake through trial. In this case, we represented a family in a wrongful death workplace injury lawsuit against the premises owner. During discovery, we located a witness who admitted to notifying the owner that the building did not meet safety codes. Shortly before trial, we were able to reach a substantial settlement for the family. We also reached a specific agreement to remedy the dangerous condition, giving the family some peace, knowing this would not happen again.



## **\$2.5 Million**

### **Work Injury/ Scissor Lift | Neck Injury**

Attorney Fees: \$1,000,000 | Expenses: \$31,788

Our client was hired to perform an electrical job inside the Defendant's shop. Our client's work involved raising a scissor lift over twenty feet to access electrical conduits on the ceiling. While performing his task, an employee of the Defendant drove a bridge crane into the scissor lift knocking it over. Our client suffered an injury to his spinal cord which affected the strength and fine motor skills of his dominant hand.

## **\$2.2 Million Verdict**

### **Industrial Injury | Finger Amputation**

Attorney Fees: \$733,333 | Expenses: \$66,667

Our client was an employee at a meat packing plant. He worked in the trolley room where they washed the trolleys that carried the carcasses through the plant. To dry the equipment after it was washed, they used a piece of pipe attached to the blow dryer to direct the air. Our client was told by his boss to wipe out the pipe, which had oil used to lubricate the blower, accumulating inside. When our client attempted to clean out the pipe, he had several of his fingers amputated.

The defendant did not carry worker's compensation insurance and was "self-insured" which allowed us to make a claim against them for negligence. When an employer does not carry worker's compensation, they are not allowed to use contributory negligence as a defense, and so they were not able to blame our client for his part in causing his injuries.

## **\$1.77 Million**

### **Forklift Injury | Partial Foot Amputation**

Attorney Fees: \$443,750 | Expenses: \$57,683

Our client was working at a convenience store when a distributor's driver was unloading products for the store using a forklift. When the forklift became high centered the driver asked our client to help push the forklift back onto an even surface. When the defendant dismounted the forklift, he left it in gear and, as the forklift was pushed onto an even surface, it spun and ran over our client's leg, severing his foot at the ankle. Our client underwent several surgeries and intense therapy but eventually suffered from cyanotic toes and had to have all five toes on his foot amputated. Our team showed that the defendant failed to meet minimum OSHA regulations for driver training. Our client's recovery helped cover past and future medical bills, time off of work, future wages and impairment.

## **\$1.6 Million**

### **Cotton Gin Injury | Amputated Fingers**

Attorney Fees: \$640,000 | Expenses: \$27,582

Our client had several fingers amputated in a cotton gin due to the lack of appropriate guards on the lint cleaners. Prior to our client's injury, OSHA had inspected and notified the gin in writing that it lacked the guards, but the gin did nothing to ensure the lint cleaners met OSHA standards. An additional procedure gin companies can use is called lockout/tagout. In this case, the ginner and the gin manager testified they were aware of lockout-tagout but did not require their employees to follow the safety procedure. Like many others in the region, this cotton gin did not carry worker's compensation insurance, and we were able to make a claim directly against them and collect a fair amount to help our client maintain financial independence.

# CONSTRUCTION INJURIES

Our law firm has handled cases involving trench collapses, work-site falls, failure to use fall protection, unguarded drop openings, unstable construction materials, and forklift and man-lift injuries on construction sites. We work with investigators to make sure that the investigation is done properly and that evidence is quickly preserved. We work to identify potential defendants and sources of insurance to maximize the recovery for our clients. We are also familiar with OSHA standards and work with OSHA safety experts who evaluate the causes of work injuries and help establish negligence.

## **\$1.9 Million** **Construction Injury | Wrongful Death**

Attorney Fees: \$760,000 | Expenses: \$140,000

Our client was working on a trench for a sewer line for a new commercial building when heavy rain delayed construction. When the trench had dried up enough to work, our client went into the trench and it collapsed, causing his death. Unfortunately this trench did not have the required safety bracing required by OSHA to prevent collapses.

*"I consider Glasheen, Valles & Inderman my only go-to law firm for referring personal injury cases. They have experts at the scene within days if not hours, and their willingness to fully investigate every claim has been pivotal to successful outcomes."*

*-Attorney Steven Denny*

## **\$1.49 Million** **Construction Injury | Spine Injury**

Attorney Fees: \$499,667 | Expenses: \$39,939

Our client was working at a construction site when a 700-800-pound pre-fabricated header fell and pinned him beneath it. The framing was not properly supported causing it to fall. Our client suffered permanent spinal cord injury. The defendants were responsible for the premises and construction activities.

The general contractor attempted to pass liability off to a subcontractor. We were able to use OSHA regulations and the construction contract to show that the general contractor was directly responsible for the dangerous procedures.



## DEFECTIVE PRODUCTS

We have handled defective product cases involving automobile seat belts, automobile handicapped driver controls, tractors and industrial equipment, ATVs and various other products. We have experience working with engineers, metallurgists and industry experts to find out why a product failed. Many times we can identify a potentially liable defendant by going back and analyzing the supply chain of the product.

**\$937,500**

### Defective Product | Wrongful Death

Attorney Fees: \$375,000 | Expenses: \$93,151

Our client was a gentleman in his late 70's who had purchased a new Cadillac for his wife for Mother's Day. Our client had the car equipped with handicap controls so that he could also operate the vehicle. The first week of driving the car, our client's wife got her foot caught on the rod which prevented access to the brake as she approached a stop sign. She lost control of the car and struck an embankment which resulted in her death.

We sued, alleging the device had been poorly designed and improperly installed to interfere with the driver's foot. Though the defendants took the position that it was physically impossible to install the rod any other way, we bought an identical Cadillac and had the controls installed by another dealership. At mediation, we demonstrated a correct installation was feasible. The defendants knew we had an example Cadillac with a properly installed rod. They gave up on their argument and settled the case.

**\$750,000**

### Product Liability | Broken Leg

Attorney Fees: \$120,000 | Expenses: \$18,888

Our client was visiting a friend's house in the mountains of New Mexico when she was injured on a homemade elevator. The elevator had been built by the son of the homeowner. To construct the elevator, he had rigged up a metal platform with a winch motor to lift the platform to the second floor of the mountain cabin. As our client was riding up the elevator, the winch reached the top and the cable snapped, causing the elevator to fall to the ground.

Our client suffered multiple leg fractures and some very complicated orthopedic injuries. We were able to help our client find a fellowship-trained orthopedic surgeon who specialized in injuries. The orthopedic surgeon helped make many improvements for our client's recovery. We were also able to collect from the homeowner's liability insurance.



## IN-HOUSE RESOURCES



*To be sure that a single stone is never left unturned, our team of consultants can be on the scene within hours of being hired. We enlist only the best witnesses and invest the time, effort and money necessary to assemble a winning case.*

## Technology

Technology is more than an investment for our firm; it is a vital resource. We routinely make use of various technological and digital platforms to investigate, manage and maintain our cases.

## Graphics

The importance of visual communication cannot be overstated in the success of our clients' cases. We have the tools to effectively illustrate our claims using the latest graphic arts technology. Whether we are presenting a claim at mediation or trial, we believe that a picture is worth a thousand words.

We have an in-house, state-of-the-art, digital video production studio. Our full time digital media producer, Don Jenkins, has over 22 years of experience in video production and graphics.

## Investigations

It is important to preserve the evidence as quickly as possible at the scene. We work quickly to protect and preserve evidence - aggressively obtaining court orders to enter premises and quickly getting to the scene. We can have our team of consulting experts on the scene within hours of being hired on a case.



## Flight Services

In many areas of litigation, responding diligently to court deadlines and to opportunities presented puts us one step forward. Our attorneys and support crew often rely on the firm's airplane service to meet schedules. This additional asset allows our attorneys and staff to fly anywhere at any time to immediately serve our clients and referring attorneys.

# GLASHEEN, VALLES & INDERMAN, LLP INJURY LAWYERS

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<b>Confidential</b>	<b>Midland Train Wreck</b>	<b>(Wrongful Deaths &amp; Multiple Injuries)</b>
<b>\$65 Million*</b>	<b>Train Wreck</b>	<b>(Wrongful Death)</b>
<b>\$46 Million*</b>	<b>Train Wreck</b>	<b>(Wrongful Death)</b>
<b>\$9.9 Million</b>	<b>18-Wheeler Truck/ Motorcycle Wreck</b>	<b>(Brain Injury)</b>
<b>\$7.5 Million</b>	<b>Gas Pipeline Explosion</b>	<b>(Burn Case)</b>
<b>\$6.25 Million</b>	<b>Oilfield Truck Wreck</b>	<b>(Multiple Fractures &amp; Orthopedic Injuries)</b>
<b>\$6 Million*</b>	<b>Industrial Injury</b>	<b>(Amputated Arm)</b>
<b>\$5.85 Million</b>	<b>Truck Wreck</b>	<b>(Wrongful Death)</b>
<b>\$5.8 Million</b>	<b>Commercial Vehicle Wreck</b>	<b>(Wrongful Death &amp; Brain Injury)</b>
<b>\$5.25 Million</b>	<b>Car Wreck</b>	<b>(Brain Injury)</b>
<b>\$4.92 Million</b>	<b>Train Crossing Collision</b>	<b>(Brain Injury)</b>
<b>\$4.5 Million</b>	<b>Oilfield Injury</b>	<b>(Burn Injury)</b>
<b>\$4.1 Million</b>	<b>Work Injury</b>	<b>(Wrongful Death)</b>
<b>\$4.07 Million</b>	<b>Car/ Commercial Vehicle Wreck</b>	<b>(Wrongful Death)</b>
<b>\$4.05 Million</b>	<b>Oilfield Injury</b>	<b>(Brain Injury)</b>
<b>\$4 Million</b>	<b>Train Wreck</b>	<b>(Wrongful Death &amp; Child Brain Injury)</b>
<b>\$4 Million</b>	<b>Oilfield Spill</b>	<b>(Chemical Burn)</b>
<b>\$3.5 Million</b>	<b>18-Wheeler Truck Wreck</b>	<b>(Brain Injury)</b>
<b>\$3.5 Million</b>	<b>Commercial Vehicle Wreck</b>	<b>(Wrongful Death)</b>
<b>\$3.12 Million</b>	<b>Commercial Vehicle Wreck, Cell phone Use</b>	<b>(Wrongful Death &amp; Multiple Injuries)</b>
<b>\$3 Million</b>	<b>Gas Plant Explosion</b>	<b>(Wrongful Death)</b>
<b>\$2.87 Million</b>	<b>Commercial Vehicle Wreck</b>	<b>(Wrongful Death &amp; Orthopedic Injuries)</b>

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