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A comparison between the company forms AG & GmbH

What is an AG? (SA)

AG is the term Germans use for a public limited company. These companies have shares available for the general public, and these shares are exchanged on the public stock exchange market. The liability of all the stakeholders with AG shares is only limited to the investment they make. The shareholders will not be held responsible if the company is in debt. If the company is insolvent, the assets of investors will be protected.

What is a GmbH? (Sàrl)

GmbH is a company based on limited liability. This is used as a suffix after the name of a private limited company in Germany. A limited liability company is considered a legal entity as per the Swiss Code of Obligations.

Such companies are very beneficial to their members as they offer protection, and the capital is the only liability substrate. To set up the company, investors only need 20k.

Limited Liability Company also offers protection to its members; the only liability substrate is its capital. These companies are personal-related companies where all the stock company members are not anonymous and have to take care of certain responsibilities.

The members of such companies also receive dividends and a salary where they get compensation for the capital they provide. However, it is only possible if the company is successful.

AG vs. GmbH - advantages & disadvantages

If you are considering investing and need clarification about which type of company you must go for, here are some advantages and disadvantages of AG and GmbH that you can consider before making your choice.

Areas of comparison

Here are some areas of comparison that can help you learn all the differences and determine the best option for you.

Foundation

AG

To lay the foundation of the company, you need to have a total of 100k; out of those 100k, 50k will be paid in half at the time of the registration. The business owner will have to get help from an attorney or a bank to prepare all the documents needed for registration.

GmbH

To find a GmbH company, you will ideally need 20K, making it a cheaper option than AG. Other than that, the rest of the requirements are straightforward and close to what you need for AG. You will need articles of association and then register in the commercial register.

Shares versus ordinary shares

“Shares of a GmbH” (= Stammanteil)

Shareholders cannot transfer GmbH shares easily. You will need approval from the general assembly. There is a transfer restriction if you still need to get the approval of the general assembly.

“Shares of an AG” (=Aktien)

There are no transfer restrictions when it comes to AG shares. However, you may have to face transfer restrictions in the articles. If you transfer the shares through a Shareholder agreement, you may face transfer restrictions.

Voting rights of shareholders

AG

The general rule of AG is that one share is equal to one vote. The right to vote is driven by shareholding. This is because there is a possibility of having higher and lower shares compared to the nominal value called the Stimmrechtsaktien.

GmbH

The number of votes directly corresponds with the nominal value of the shares they own. You can understand from the example that if you have 70% of the nominal values, you have 70% of the votes. If you want to amend this, then you can do it in the articles.

Liability

There are no personal liabilities in either of the types of companies. Personal liability is specific for the board of directors members when it comes to AG companies. The same goes for GmbH, the liability is only limited to the board of directors, and the shareholders receive protection at the hands of the company.

Exclusion

The exclusion from AG has a condition where the stakeholder will be excluded if they fail to fulfill their duties properly. This obligation is the payment of the share capital. The exclusion in AG is

as per the law, and you may have to work around it if needed. The shareholder can also be excluded with the help of SHA. This is why it is important to have SHA as your backup.

When it comes to GmbH, the shareholders can be excluded depending on the conditions. The reasons for exclusions can be found in statutes, and this makes it a favorable option as compared to AG.

Important “duties of the shareholders/members (=Gesellschafter).”

If you go for AG, you will not have duties other than making due payments in the investment accounts. These duties are not by law but can be implemented through the SHA.

For GmbH, you will have to fulfill several duties, such as the non-compete or the duty of allegiance. Make your choice depending on what duties you can fulfill.

Table overview

AG GmbH

- Minimum capital - CHF- 100,000
- Minimum deposit capital - 20%, at least CHF 50,000
- Minimum nominal value at least 1 centime per share
- Anonymity- Shareholders are not published publicly

GmbH

- Minimum Capital- CHF 20,000
- Minimum deposit capital - 100%
- Minimum nominal value - at least CHF 100 per share
- Anonymity -Shareholders, bodies, Capital, and capital contributions are published in the commercial register.

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Federal Enforcement

Government agencies are using their current powers to monitor the use of AI.

- **FTC** — The [Federal Trade Commission](#) states that if your AI model provides biased results or overstates its marketing intelligence, you violate federal law.
- **SEC** — The [SEC](#) investigates whether FinTech companies face conflicts of interest from their use of AI systems. The investigation aims to determine whether the AI system prioritizes company profits over its clients' needs.
- **DOJ** — The Department of Justice investigates how automated pricing systems assist businesses in conducting illegal price fixing.

These agencies are working together more than ever. One investigation can quickly turn into a massive legal dispute on multiple fronts.

Who This Is For — Identifying Your Legal Exposure

Our firm provides AI legal advisory to three main groups that face the most U.S. legal risk. Engaging with a **U.S. Artificial Intelligence attorney** ensures that these risks are mitigated before they escalate.

1. International Founders and Tech Enterprises

If your company is based in the Middle East, specifically in tech hubs like Dubai or Saudi Arabia, but you have U.S. users, investors, or data, you have a U.S. nexus. U.S. regulators have a "long arm." This means a founder in Riyadh can be held responsible in a California court for AI discrimination or data privacy mistakes.

Expanding into the U.S. takes more than a business plan. You need an AI legal advisory audit to ensure your data practices do not break state laws or national security rules.

2. High-Net-Worth Investors and Venture Capital

Investing in AI requires a thorough look at legal risks. We help investors with "due diligence" (legal background checks) to ensure a target company actually owns its data, has fixed its bias risks, and is not on a "sanctions list" under [OFAC](#) rules.

Venture firms must also consider their reputation. An AI investment that turns out to be fake or unethical can lead to legal trouble for board members and lead investors.

3. U.S. Domestic Businesses Integrating AI

For businesses in Florida and across the U.S., using a "third-party" AI tool for hiring or customer service does not protect you from being sued. If the tool fails or discriminates, your business, not just the AI developer, faces the lawsuit.

Company leaders have a duty to watch over how AI is used. Ignoring the risks of an AI vendor is now seen as a failure of leadership. It can also lead to lawsuits from shareholders.

Core Legal Risks in the AI Lifecycle

To provide a comprehensive [AI & emerging technology legal advisory](#), we consider the risk during every step of building and using tech.

A. Input Risk — The Data Ownership and Privacy Crisis

The biggest legal hurdle for any AI is the data used to train it.

- **Copyright Infringement** — Many models were trained on data taken from the internet without permission. We help clients find "fair use" defenses and ensure their data is legally safe.
- **Biometric and Personal Data** — With new laws in Illinois (BIPA) and California (CCPA), collecting face scans or confidential information for AI training can result in major fines.
- **Data Provenance** — Regulators now look for "data provenance" (records of where data came from). If you cannot prove the source, you might be forced to delete your entire AI model.

B. Process Risk — Algorithmic Bias and Discrimination

The law is moving from "intent" to "impact." You do not have to mean to discriminate to be in trouble. If your AI hiring tool or loan tool treats people differently based on race, gender, or age, you can be sued for civil rights violations. Our [AI & emerging technology legal advisory](#) includes bias audits and "human-in-the-loop" (human oversight) rules.

C. Output Risk — Hallucinations, Defamation, and Liability

When an AI gives false information (hallucinations), who is at fault? As your [U.S. Artificial Intelligence attorney](#), we help navigate these liability traps.

- **Professional Malpractice** — Experts, such as lawyers or doctors using AI for advice, must meet a standard of "technological competence."
- **Product Liability** — If an autonomous system, like a drone or robot, hurts someone because of a software error, the case becomes a complex product liability battle.
- **Deceptive Content** — There are now strict penalties for AI-made deepfakes. Businesses must use "watermarks" and disclosures to avoid being sued by the government.

Cross-Border Considerations — The US-Middle East Nexus

For our clients in Dubai and Saudi Arabia, U.S. AI law is one of the barriers to entering the market.

The "Data Embassy" Framework and Sovereignty

Saudi Arabia and the UAE are spending billions on AI infrastructure. However, U.S. "export controls" often limit the type of powerful computer chips (like GPUs) that can be sent to certain countries.

We provide an [AI & emerging technology legal advisory](#) focused on how to grow while adhering to these complicated trade rules, including applying for specific export licenses and managing the restricted transfer of advanced software.

The idea of "Sovereign AI" in the Middle East, where nations build their own computing power, often runs into U.S. national security interests. We help bridge this gap by making sure your data flows are clear and legal.

This includes setting up technical safeguards to ensure that U.S.-origin technology is not re-exported to prohibited regions or used for restricted purposes.

U.S. Sanctions (OFAC) and AI

AI is now considered "dual-use" technology. If your AI is used by a person or group on a sanctions list, you face criminal charges. These violations can lead to massive federal fines, imprisonment for company executives, and the permanent loss of U.S. market access.

Our **AI & emerging technology legal advisory** builds OFAC checks into every tech project. We review your entire supply chain and your user base to ensure that your growth in the Middle East does not start a federal investigation in Washington, D.C. We also help draft "sanctions clauses" in your contracts to protect you if a partner becomes a legal risk later on.

Intellectual Property in the Age of Machines

Old IP laws were made for humans. AI has changed everything.

1. **Copyright for AI Works** — Right now, the U.S. government says work made purely by AI cannot be copyrighted. We help companies structure their work so that human control is clear and the assets are protected.
2. **Patent Problems** — Can an AI be an "inventor"? Current U.S. law does not recognize AI as an inventor. We advise on how to document human work to win patent rights.
3. **Trade Secrets** — Protecting your AI "weights" and settings as trade secrets is vital. Our AI legal advisory helps write non-disclosure agreements (NDAs) that actually work for neural networks.

How Altawil Law Group Protects Your Innovation

We do more than find problems; we build the legal structure for your success. Our **AI & emerging technology legal advisory** is rooted in three pillars:

1. The AI Governance Framework

We help businesses write AI policies, including:

- Disclosures for users.
- Rules for reporting safety risks.
- Contracts that put the risk on the software provider when possible.
- Plans for what to do if the AI fails.

2. Regulatory Defense and Response

If the government sends you a legal demand for information about your AI, we step in as your lead lawyers. We handle the response and show that you made a good-faith effort to follow the rules. Our team knows how to defend "Black Box" algorithms. We work with tech experts to explain complex code to judges and regulators in plain English.

3. Cross-Border Structuring

We assist international tech founders in setting up "clean" U.S. subsidiaries. By separating U.S. legal risk from the main company in Dubai or Riyadh, our **AI & emerging technology legal advisory** protects your global business while you grow in the U.S.

Our experts also help with "CFIUS" reviews. If you are taking U.S. investment or buying U.S. tech, we ensure your foreign ownership does not get blocked for national security reasons.

Why U.S. Counsel is Mandatory for Global **AI Strategy**

For a founder in the Middle East, a local lawyer in Dubai is not enough for global protection. U.S. law is the "gold standard" for international tech regulation.

If you follow U.S. federal and California state AI laws, you are likely meeting or exceeding the standards in almost every other country. Managing your U.S. risk effectively creates a defensive shield for your entire global operation.

Also, our firm provides the Attorney-Client Privilege. In many jurisdictions, communications with consultants or even local legal advisors may not be fully protected from government subpoenas. Under U.S. law, your details with us are secret. This is a critical protection that tech consultants and non-legal advisors cannot give you.

If a government agency investigates your business, having a lawyer lead the audit is the only way to ensure that your internal findings stay private and are not used as a roadmap for your own prosecution.

The Cost of Inaction — Civil Penalties and Reputation Loss

The current legal environment is very tough. Our firm provides specialized **AI & emerging technology legal advisory** to mitigate the following risks:

- **Monetary Fines** — Under certain California laws, businesses may face penalties of up to seven figures per violation. Federal agencies can also take away all the profits you made from an illegal AI product.
- **Algorithmic Disgorgement** — This is the death penalty for a tech firm. The government can force you to delete your entire AI model and all its data if it was built illegally. Years of work can be lost in one day.
- **Court Orders** — Courts can stop you from using your AI entirely. If your system is called "unsafe," you could be barred from the U.S. market.

Government actions involving [cryptocurrency](#) seizure, wallet freezes, and digital asset forfeiture are increasing.

Take Control of Your Emerging Tech Exposure

The future of your business depends on how you handle risks today. Whether you are building an AI model or using one to manage a billion-dollar portfolio, the stakes are high.

At Altawil Law Group, we offer the **AI & emerging technology legal advisory** you need to succeed. We bridge the gap between Miami's tech scene and the financial powerhouses of the Middle East, making sure your tech remains an asset, not a liability.

A proactive legal plan is the difference between a successful launch and a multi-year legal battle. Our goal is to make sure your tech moves fast without breaking the law. [Contact us](#) today to speak confidentially with a **U.S. Artificial Intelligence attorney** about your **AI strategy** and legal exposure.

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Ridesharing services like Uber/Lyft have become increasingly popular . This kind of service creates “gig economy” jobs, which means you use your asset or skills to earn money in addition to your primary job. There are several benefits of such kinds of jobs, but they can also cause legal complications. This is the case with Uber/Lyft ridesharing services, in which Lyft or Uber contracts with the owner of the vehicle being operated.

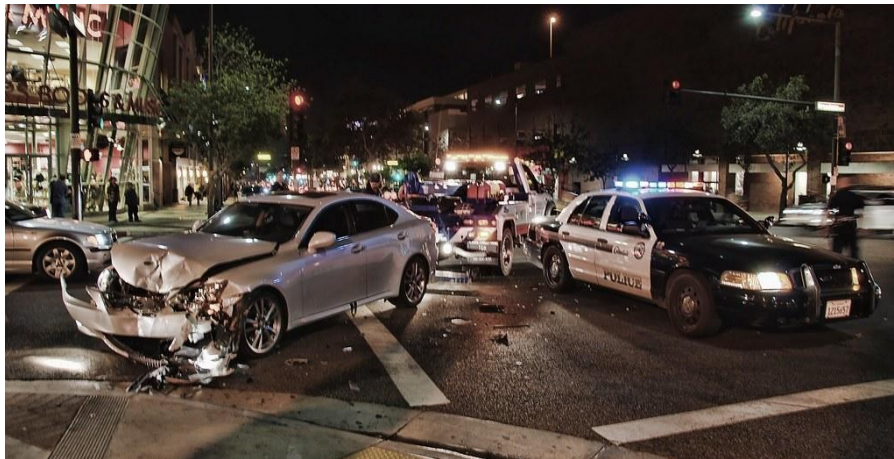
Whether you have been in a car crash while in a Uber or Lyft, you can seek help from a Newport Beach rideshare accident attorney.

In contrast, if you are driving your car on Uber or Lyft and an accident occurs, you have to face multiple problems at once. For example, you will need to have your vehicle repaired. Our Newport Beach rideshare accident lawyers are at your rescue if your vehicle encounters an accident and a passenger is injured.

Having a professional and experienced Uber accident lawyer in Newport Beach is a better and prudent solution to recover compensation. Don't delay as insurance companies quickly take away your right of due compensation. So you should get in touch with us for aggressive legal representation.

We provide the personalized service, aggressive advocacy, and full attention that your case deserves. While you recuperate, our team can handle the burden and nuances of a complex injury claim in Newport Beach. You can rest easy knowing that you're working with experienced lawyers who will go the extra mile in order to seek the maximum financial compensation for you.

Some Statistics of Uber/ Lyft Accidents in the USA



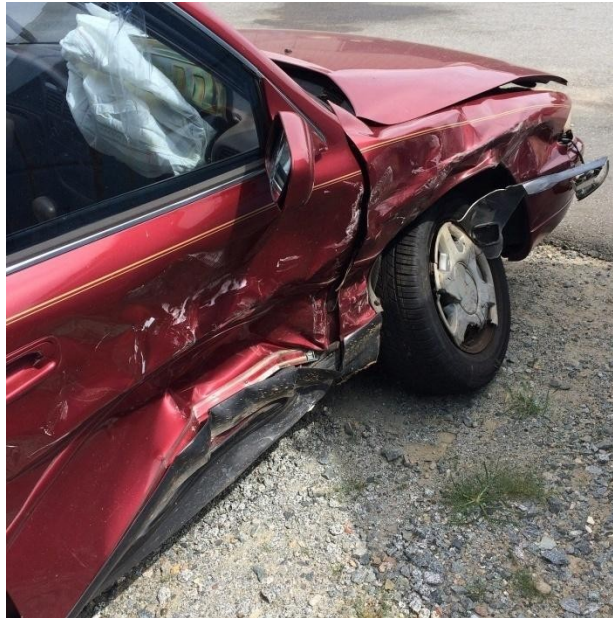
According to [the 2018 research study conducted at Rice University and the University of Chicago](#), Uber/Lyft are linked with a 2% to 3% rise in fatal motor accidents and injuries. This report included data from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration that compared rates of accidents in different cities. The study also revealed some other disturbing statistics:

- Almost 1,000 deaths in car accidents occurred daily due to the presence of ridesharing cars on the roads
- 21% of accidents victims were ridesharing service riders, and 21% were other drivers
- Between 2017 and 2018, Uber was responsible for 97 fatal road accidents
- 58% of the accident victims were the other party passengers or riders

At Beach Accident Attorneys, we invest time in understanding your unique situation if you or your vehicle is involved in an Uber accident or Lyft accident. We have an in-depth understanding of the

problems associated with the gig economy, and our Newport Beach Lyft/Uber accident lawyers can deal with them efficiently.

Common Injuries That Can Result From Uber/Lyft Accidents in Newport Beach



Like the regular car accident, Uber/Lyft accidents can cause physical and financial damages. The typical vehicle accident injuries include the following:

Whiplash and soft tissue injuries

Whiplash affects your neck's soft tissues or muscles. This type of injury usually occurs when a car is rear-ended.

Head injuries or concussions

In most cases, head injuries may seem mild, but as time passes, they can cause serious impairments and issues like a hematoma. Such conditions need special medical care and attention.

Scrapes and cuts

The driver and passenger both may experience scrapes and cuts during the Uber/Lyft accident. The objects that fly around during the collision can make contact with various parts of the body and cause mild to severe scrapes or cuts.

Broken bones

Due to force or compression in an accident, the driver, passenger, or both may develop fractures or sustain a severe blow to their bones. This causes fractures, internal bleeding, severe pain, bruising, bleeding, and may require surgery.

Physical injuries are not the only damages victims sustain in Uber/Lyft accidents. They also undergo emotional and psychological trauma, impairing their routine life for an extended period. It's your right to

get compensation for all kinds of damages, psychological, physical, emotional, and financial. Why Hire Professional Uber/Lyft Accident Lawyer for Your Case?



Because Uber/Lyft now provides sizeable insurance coverage to drivers, the legal teams of these companies put in every effort to craft strategies of shifting the blame of accidents to their contracted drivers and sometimes even the victims of the accident. Our professional and extensively experienced Uber accident lawyers in Newport Beach have helped accident victims recover maximum compensation. Here are some reasons for choosing us for your representation:

- Our team always puts our clients first. We focus on providing personalized and strategic legal support and representation for Uber/Lyft car accident cases.
- We will work closely with you to understand your unique situation to build a solid case.
- You can rely on our expertise because we have a high winning success rate.
- If you are hesitant to file a personal injury claim because of legal fees, don't worry. We discuss all of the terms upfront, and if we cannot win your case, you do not have to pay.
- If you are looking for the best medical providers for an accident victim, we can help you.

Choosing us for your Uber/Lyft accident case puts you in a win-win situation. You can relax and focus on your routine life and recovery and we will handle the stress and challenges. By having us on your side, you can be confident of the success of your compensation claims.

How Much Is Uber/Lyft Accident Claim Worth?

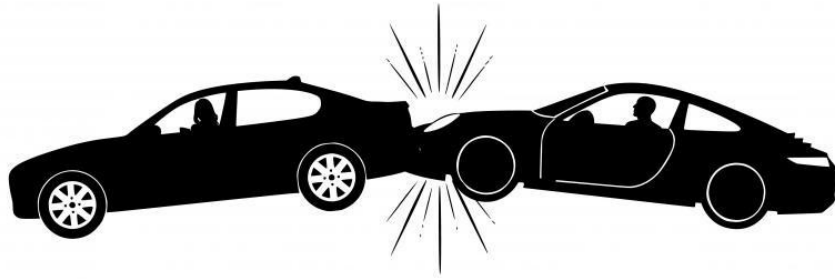


Dealing with the big insurance companies representing Uber/Lyft after the ridesharing accident can be challenging and stressful. If the passenger sustains serious injuries, such as broken bones, head injuries, etc., their settlement would be much more than the compensation for those who sustain mild injuries. Our experts consider several factors while determining the worth of your accident claim

We can file your personal injury claims considering the following factors:

- Loss of wages
- Damage to property
- Wrongful death claims
- Pain and suffering; and
- Medical expenses

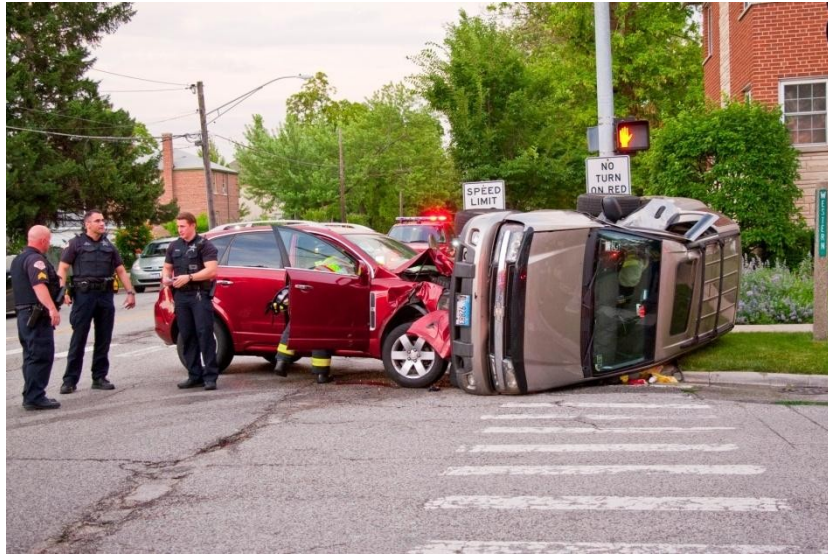
Common Causes of Uber/Lyft Accidents in Newport Beach



Uber/Lyft accidents occur on a regular basis in Newport Beach. Some of the most common causes for ridesharing accidents are :

- Fast driving or overspeeding
- Breaking traffic rules
- Inattentive driving
- Road rage
- Bad weather
- Inexperienced drivers
- Fatigued driver
- Substance abuse
- Careless or reckless behavior

How to Determine Liability in a Newport Beach Uber/Lyft Accident?



Ridesharing companies like Uber and Lyft provide liability coverage to passengers for damages when their drivers are responsible for an accident. However, this is not always applicable.

When you're injured in a car accident due to someone else's negligence, you've the legal right to recover financial compensation from that party's insurance provider. Note that in cases involving Lyft and Uber accidents, companies usually have a \$1 million commercial liability policy. But your ability to quickly recover compensation can get complicated and time-consuming because of their unique insurance policies. For instance, Uber only covers damages if the drivers have their smartphone apps turned on during a trip. This means that if their application is off, victims might have to pursue compensation via the driver's personal car insurance.

If an Uber or Lyft driver is involved in an accident while on duty and not transporting any passengers, recovering compensation will become more complicated. The ridesharing companies usually deny taking responsibility for such vehicle accidents, creating problems for victims to secure compensation. Those victims who experience asset damage and injuries must file claims for their losses against the negligent Uber/Lyft drivers.

Whatever is the case, our Newport Uber/Lyft accident lawyers can help you prove the other party's liability and successfully receive the compensation you deserve for your losses.

What Should You Do After an Accident?



If an Uber/Lyft driver experiences an accident, they should immediately do the following:

- Call 911
- Try to document the car accident by taking pictures and making videos of the crash with a cellphone
- Obtain names, contact numbers, and insurance details of everyone involved
- Get the driver's license number
- Seek medical help
- Report accident using the ridesharing service app
- Contact professional Uber/Lyft accident lawyers in Newport Beach

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But there are other financial assets that you need to consider, such as stocks, retirement plans, ownership in a business, life insurance policies, etc. It would help if you estimated their value to add them to your estate planning.

Step 2 - Establish Your Directives

There are specific directives that you need to include in your estate plan. It is an essential step when planning your estate, so you must be careful about it. Here are some of the legal directives you need to know about:

- Revocable living trust
- Medical care directive
- Limited power of attorney
- Durable financial power of attorney

Step 3 - Check Your Estate's Tax Laws

Taxes are the most critical factor that you need to consider for your estate planning. Besides the federal laws, there are state laws that you also need to know, so it doesn't significantly impact the assets you have left for your family members.

While some states have estate taxes, others may have inheritance taxes. Therefore, make sure to check your state laws before starting with your estate planning.

Step 4 - Continue to Reassess

While you might think that estate planning is a one-time thing, it is not the case since you need to reassess it time after time. It is best to reevaluate your will after specific changes or circumstances in your life.

For instance, if you plan on getting married or divorced, you might consider changing the list of beneficiaries. Also, states or federal laws regarding estate taxes can change from time to time, making it necessary to review your estate planning.

Final Words

This 4-step checklist will allow you to plan your estate effectively and ensure that your family can handle the division of the assets without having to deal with ambiguity. But if you feel that you can't take these things all by yourself, then you can hire a reputable real estate attorney to help you with your planning for the estate.

How Poor Data Security Policies Lead to Regulatory Fines & Lawsuits

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Beyond the technical harm and embarrassment, it is the legal aspect of the incident that is the hardest to deal with. The situation is even more complex for small and midsize business owners for whom one single move can seal their fate forever.

The Invisible Tax: Weak Data Policies and Their Financial Toll

Undeniably, companies have more customer and employee information at their disposal than ever before, like email addresses, credit card numbers, or medical histories. However, with this increase in data comes greater responsibility.

Without robust internal policies and training, employees are prone to making various mistakes, such as using poor passwords, sending data over insecure media, or worse, falling prey to a phishing attack. These lapses tend to result in breaches that not only destroy trust but also violate national and international data protection legislation. For example, there is [GDPR](#) in the EU, [HIPAA](#) in U.S. healthcare, while Australia is governed by the [Privacy Act](#).

When Data Security Fails: Fines and Legal Action

It's not just costs we are talking about, but a data breach can leave you exposed to a serious legal backlash that includes.

1. Regulatory Penalties

A data breach can spring authorities into action like nothing else. Here is a breakdown of the penalties you will incur at various agencies;

- HIPAA Violations can incur \$1.5 million each year for each violation committed.
- GDPR Violations can incur up to €20 million or 4% of annual turnover globally.
- CCPA Penalties can amount to \$7,500 for each intentional violation.

2. Class-Action Lawsuits

On the receiving side of any breach of security are consumers and employees who have suffered at the hands of a data breach, and they are liable to act. In most jurisdictions, a charge of negligence is sufficient to get a case started.

3. Contract Terminations and Loss of Business

A data breach from your side can cause you to lose customers quickly if they are bound by stringent data regulations. You will also miss out on opportunities for partnerships if your business gets labelled as a compliance risk category.

Where Business Data Policies Often Fail

Even well-meaning companies are found guilty of glaring gaps in their policies, such as:

- Lack of formal data protection policy or employee training.
- Weak password policies or a lack of multi-factor authentication.
- Sensitive information is not encrypted.
- Weak controls for data accessibility controls
- No established breach response procedure.

These aren't just regular IT issues but sources for major legal liabilities.

How to Secure Your Company's Digital Assets

1. Start with a Risk Assessment

You need an in-depth understanding of your data- its nature, where it's stored, and people who have access to it. Identify where weak points exist in your processes and infrastructure.

2. Develop and Document Security Policies

Establish explicit guidelines on data handling, password hygiene, encryption, use of email, and device security. You should also ensure that the policies meet applicable regulations within your industry and region.

3. Train Your Team

Policies are not meant to be on paper but to be followed. Provide regular training on phishing, secure data practices, and how to report suspicious activity.

4. Consult Legal and IT Experts

Seek legal counsel from accredited legal and cybersecurity professionals to ensure your policies are not just compliant with applicable laws but are enforceable.

5. Draft an Incident Response Plan

The manner and the speed with which you respond to a data breach can make all the difference. Put in place a step-by-step action plan including who to notify, measures to contain the breach, and how to notify regulators and affected parties.

Conclusion

It would be utterly foolish of you to wait for a wake-up call, as poor data security policies are like a ticking time bomb. You never know when a breach will happen and expose you to massive fines and lawsuits and thrust you to the brink of disruption.

Equipped with the right legal guidance and proactive IT support, you can fight these data challenges, but above all, you need a company-wide commitment to secure practices and stay ahead of the risks.

Need help reviewing or drafting your data security policies? Contact us to speak with a legal advisor who understands your industry and compliance landscape in-depth. Don't leave your business to chance – get protected today.

Learn How Social Media Can Impact Your Injury Claim

Most youngsters and adults these days use social media websites. It is an excellent way to share updates and connect with distant family members and friends. What's more, social media users can also relay loads of information about their personal lives to others. This is particularly true for accident victims who update people about their predicament on social media. If you are involved in a personal injury case or any other type of case involving injuries, it would be wise not to post about it on social media.

Why Social Media Could Make things Worse

While social media can do you a world of good, it may not be suitable for personal injury victims. In fact, it could even hurt you in some ways. People often make the grave mistake of saying something on social media that significantly hurts their chances of getting compensated. They could say something (unintentionally in most cases) that adds some doubt to their case, making them look bad in the process.

Using Social Media Could Lead to Contradictions in Your Testimony

As mentioned earlier, people often make social media posts that contradicts the claim they made in their personal injury case. For instance, if you are claiming that your foot was broken, but you posted your bowling trip's photos on Facebook or Instagram, you will essentially be contradicting your case, making things extremely difficult for yourself.

So, whenever you make any injury claim, it would be best to maintain honesty about your losses and injuries. Making contradictory posts on social media can be highly detrimental for your case.

Check-Ins are a Big No-No

Check-ins on social media platforms like Foursquare, Facebook, or any other site for that matter, shows that you are taking part in activities refute your injury claims. For instance, if you claim that you are suffering from limited mobility, checking in at your gym or yoga class wouldn't be a wise choice. What's more, the court can use location posts as evidence against the claims you made.

Posts on social media can sometimes show that you are physically capable and are mobile. For example, if you upload a picture of your friends on a roller coaster, the other side could raise the question "who as taking the picture?" And, if they find out that the person behind the camera was you, things could get quite complicated. As mentioned abundantly, social media posts can raise doubts about your case, calling your claims into question in more ways than one.

Comments from Friends and Family

You'd be surprised to learn that sometimes your witness' social media posts can impact your case, contradicting your injury claims. They could make statements regarding the amount of money you

intend to receive for your injuries and losses. Things like these can hurt your case by painting you in a negative light.

One might think that using social media platforms during personal injury cases would be harmless, especially if they are careful. You may even assume that filtering your content carefully would help you stay in the clear. However, that simply is not the case. Unfortunately, making claims like these is quite easy and anything you say or post could be used against you. Sometimes, the opposition even goes as far as twisting your posts and words to make you look bad. This is precisely why, monitoring your social media posts is risky, as it could compromise your recovery.

Adding Privacy to Your Social Media Account Won't Help

Altering your Facebook account's privacy settings won't do you any favors as the other party can do a few things to see your posts. The simplest way the other party can gain your information is by asking your friends to volunteer it. They can also take advantage of the Discovery Rules in some states. The opposing side could also ask you to provide some social media record copies, despite your account being set to private.

Social Media Battles – How they Play Out

It must be abundantly clear by now that social media can add loads of complications in your case. You may need to make some additional trips to the courthouse with your attorney to discuss if you have to provide social media records to the other party. There is no way to avoid producing pertinent social media copies by changing your settings to private or friends only.

If you plan to bring personal injury claims to the court, steer clear from posting anything on your social media profile. However, if you really want to use social media, consider limiting your use to like your friend's and family's posts.

It would also help to check any information about you floating around on the internet by searching your name. You can also ask your family and friends not to discuss the case with anyone else. The best thing to do would be to lay low until your predicament is completely resolved.

Do you have a personal injury claim waiting to be resolved, but you made a contradictory social media post? If yes, there is no need to worry, as the experienced lawyers at the Martino Law Group can help. Get in touch with us and one of our finest lawyers will take care of your case. They will use their skills and years of experience to guide and counsel you, making sure you get your recovery as soon as possible.

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The Signs and Symptoms of Traumatic Brain Injury after a Motorcycle Accident

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A jolt or violent blow to your head, neck, or body can result in a [traumatic brain injury \(TBI\)](#). Sometimes, an object penetrating through your brain tissue, such as shattered skull fragments, may also cause damage and result in common signs and symptoms of TBI after a motorcycle accident.

According to the [California Office of Traffic Safety \(OTS\)](#) data, hundreds of fatalities due to motorcycle accidents are reported every year, including Newport Beach, CA.

While mild brain injuries may have temporary effects on brain cells, severe brain trauma can result in torn tissues, bruising, bleeding, and other damage to your brain. Here are the most common signs and symptoms of TBI to watch for after a motorcycle accident.

Common Signs and Symptoms of TBI after a Motorcycle Accident

A traumatic brain injury can result in various physical and physiological symptoms. Some are more common and may appear right after the trauma, while others manifest over time.

Common Signs and Symptoms of a Mild TBI

The symptoms of a mild traumatic brain injury may be physical, sensory, or psychological. The physical symptoms of TBI immediately after trauma may include a headache, fatigue, nausea, vomiting, a problem with speech, and loss of balance or dizziness.

However, these symptoms may not appear immediately but after a few hours, a day or two after the accident. Therefore, you must not take a chance and have yourself examined by a doctor.

The Sensory symptoms of a traumatic brain injury may include blurred vision, sensitivity to sound or light, bad taste in your mouth, ringing or buzzing sound in the ears, or changes in your ability to smell.

The cognitive effects of a traumatic brain injury may result in loss of consciousness, memory problems, concentration issues, confusion, disorientation, anxiety, mood swings, and sleeping issues.

Common Signs and Symptoms of a Moderate to Severe TBI

Symptoms of a moderate to severe traumatic brain injury may appear within an hour or a couple of days after head trauma. The physical symptoms include loss of consciousness, constant headaches, nausea or repeated vomiting, seizures or convulsions, pupil dilation, and clear fluid through your ears or nose.

Other symptoms may include loss of coordination, inability to wake up from sleep, and numbness or weakness in your toes and finger. The psychological symptoms include agitation, confusion, slurred speech, and in some cases, coma.

Risk Factors and Complications

Traumatic brain injury is a serious concern for any age group. However, some are at more risk than others, such as children, young adults, and senior citizens.

While mild brain traumatic injury symptoms dissipate over time, moderate to severe symptoms can lead to further physical complications such as seizures, a buildup of fluids in your brain, brain infections, damage to blood vessels, and vertigo.

Several signs and symptoms include coma, vegetative state, or a minimally conscious state. In severe cases, the doctors may declare a patient brain dead.

Brain death is when a person's brain activity is non-existent, and removal of breathing devices will cause the patient to cease breathing, further leading to heart failure. Brain death is an irreversible condition.

Tips for Motorcyclists to Prevent Traumatic Brain Injury

According to [Insurance Information Institute \(iii\)](#), over 5000 motorcyclists died due to overspeeding and crashes. The statistics further revealed that motorcyclists are 29 times more at risk than car drivers to sustain fatal injuries. Following the below-mentioned tips can help reduce the risk of TBI.

- If you are motorcyclists always ensure to protect yourself from the elements that may cause an accident and result in traumatic brain injury. For this you will need to wear appropriate gear including a DOT-approved helmet, goggles (to protect your eyes from debris) etc.
- It is always advisable to inspect the bike before you start your journey. Obey the traffic rules, drive in safe speed limit and use your signals. You must always wear bright clothing, use turn and hand signals to stay visible to other drivers.
- Always be observant and watch for those road hazards
- Always maintain a safe distance between your bike and other vehicles, especially the one in front.

Conclusion

Common signs and symptoms of TBI after a motorcycle accident do not appear only after a car collision or object hitting the head; a slip or trip accident can also result in severe trauma to your brain. Therefore, you must do your best to implement the tips mentioned in this post.

In case you or a loved one suffered a brain trauma that was not your fault, you can always seek legal assistance from an attorney specializing in accident law in Newport Beach, CA.

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Whenever you have a car accident caused due to the negligent behavior of the other driver, you expect that the other party's insurance company will cover all your medical bills, injuries, and damages to the car.

But what if the other driver involved in the collision does not have insurance at all? Or what if the other driver might have adequate insurance that cannot cover all your expenses? This will leave you anxious and stressed out about how you are going to cover all your bills.

This is where the experienced attorneys at the Law Office of Jason R. Carpenter can help you get the compensation you deserve. We know that being a victim of a car accident is physically and emotionally stressful and overwhelming, especially when the driver at fault is an underinsured or uninsured motorist.

Although all Pennsylvania drivers have a legal obligation to have car insurance, these types of accidents happen all-too-often. However, if you had an accident involving an under/uninsured motorist who did not follow the law, our attorneys can represent your rights. Our primary goal is to ensure that you receive the compensation you deserve.

Under/Uninsured Motorists and the Pennsylvanian Law

According to Pennsylvania law, all drivers must maintain a car insurance policy with at least a minimum coverage of liability coverage in case of an accident.

According to an Insurance Information Institute survey, about [7.6 percent of drivers in Pennsylvania do not have any kind of car insurance at all](#). On the other hand, many more drivers in the state have inadequate or state minimum liability coverages.

This means, if you sustain injuries with damage to your car in an accident involving an under/uninsured driver, then you will end up paying for some or most of the medical bills, damage to your property or car, lost wages, etc.

Statute of Limitations for Under/Uninsured Motorists Lawsuits

If you are a driver in Pennsylvania, it is a must for you to understand that under/uninsured motorist claims are known as contract claims. Therefore, the statute of limitations for such cases is four-years. This means you have up to 4 years from the time you became aware that you will have to make an under/uninsured motorists claim.

In case it was a hit-and-run case, your statute of limitations time will begin from the time of the accident. For underinsured motorists claims, the most recent findings are that your clock to file a lawsuit starts when the other driver's insurance company sends you a denial letter to cover your costs.

In such instances, a professional personal injury attorney can ensure that you know your rights. Moreover, they will help with the legal actions you must take to recover the cost of your losses. Jason R. Carpenter has been helping the residents of Pennsylvania for many years in such cases.

Filing Your Under/Uninsured Motorist Accident Claim

After you get into an accident involving an under/uninsured driver at fault, you must make a claim using a legal provision of your insurance policy for uninsured motorists. This insurance coverage will pay all your medical bills and any damage to your property when the other driver at fault turns out to have no insurance whatsoever.

However, if the other driver has insurance but with inadequate coverage, you will only receive so much payment. This is where you need our professional attorneys' services because the insurance companies in these scenarios try their best to settle the accident claims for the minimum amount possible.

The state of Pennsylvania allows all victims of an accident caused due to someone else's negligence, wrongful act, or illegal violence to file a personal injury lawsuit. You will file these cases in the civil court system of Pennsylvania.

Your journey to personal injury claim begins by compiling all documents and filing a lawsuit with the court. In order to explain to the court the basis of a personal injury lawsuit, you will need to prepare and file a complaint, also known as a petition.

This is the step where you will need the services of our seasoned attorneys at the Law Office of Jason R. Carpenter.

Once we have to take the matter to court on your behalf, here is a step-by-step process.

- You must first get the medical treatment and document all the expenses for your treatment, injuries, and other medical costs. Document any additional accident-related costs for your property damage
- Consult one of our personal injury lawyers with years of experience in under/uninsured motorists claims
- We will investigate your claim and review all medical reports with you
- We will advise you on making adequate demand for compensation that you deserve
- Our attorneys will negotiate with the other party's insurance company.
- In case the other party is non-cooperative, we will file a personal injury lawsuit on your behalf.
- Help you throughout the trial from the start to receiving a favorable verdict.

If the other party applies for an appeal, we at Jason R. Carpenter can help you in those situations too.

Let Us Help With Your Under/Uninsured Motorists Claims Now

Making a personal injury claim against under/uninsured motorists can be complex and challenging, especially when you are not at fault. In other cases, it is stressful and frustrating when an insurance company of the driver at fault refuses to pay you what you deserve. We at the Law Office of Jason R. Carpenter have been successfully helping the Pennsylvanian residents recover their losses for years.

Our attorneys are professionals who work hard to fight for your rights. They will help you gather all the documents; investigate all the aspects of your accident to establish that the other driver was at fault. Remember, we are on your side and want you to receive the compensation you deserve following the accident.

So, if you have been involved in a car accident with an under/uninsured motorist, it is time to contact [Jason R. Carpenter](#). Speak to one of our attorneys over the phone in complete confidentiality, or you can chat with us right now.

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Are you an adult, especially a senior citizen residing in Georgia, and not considered estate planning? Then it is time that you do so in order to avoid the probate process in Georgia.

The word probate itself has become a no-go area in the estate planning domain, and its bad reputation precedes it in Georgia too. Therefore, you must educate yourself on why estate planning on time can help you avoid the probate process.

This post will give you valuable insight into what probate is and why you must avoid it.

Probate Process

Probate refers to a legal process where a court supervises the settlement of assets and finances of a deceased person. This only happens if the person has not already taken care of the estate planning through a will or testament stating their wishes to distribute their assets upon their demise or incapacitation.

This means the probate process in Georgia becomes inevitable when all your estate's assets are solely in your name. In case you are unable to make decisions due to incapacitation or (in the worst-case scenario of) your passing away, the estate will go through the probate process.

This will give certain authority to the court and judge to decide how to distribute and transfer your property between all the beneficiaries.

Why Avoid the Probate Process

The first and foremost reason to avoid probate is the money part because it is expensive. Additionally, it can also be a painstakingly long process. However, both the cost and length of the process will depend on the complications of each case. Nonetheless, you can [expect to pay a hefty price if your will goes for the probate process](#).

Small estates may be fully exempt from the probate. However, the larger ones require a meticulous and deliberate legal assessment to avoid any snarls between the parties.

3 Reasons to Avoid Probate

Here are three main reasons why you must avoid probate at all costs.

1. No Immediate Cash for Family, Heirs, or Beneficiaries

The probate process can go on for months, meaning your family will have no access to the cash you left behind for them. They will have to bear the costs of funeral and other household utilities by themselves while the court decides how to distribute your assets and finances.

This also includes any cash available in your bank accounts as well. Moreover, your family will also be responsible for paying property taxes and insurances out of their own pocket. Other expenses include storage fees until the court starts the official probate process in Georgia.

If your spouse does not work and has no other stream of income or funds, they will face extreme difficulties making both ends meet.

2. Interference of Third Parties

In the probate process in Georgia, the sitting judge has the power to interfere in your family's financial affairs. The court will often have a say in every little step of the entire probate process. This includes selling or repairing your estate and/or business.

Your family and loved ones will have to abide by several rules, fill out forms and submit documents and appraisals. You can protect your family from all this hassle by timely and accurate estate planning.

3. Probate Process in Georgia is a Costly Affair

Courts are prone to financial crisis and struggle with revenue generation sources. One way for them to do so is by increasing their fees for legal processes such as probate. Fair play to them; how do you expect the staff working at these institutions to get paid?

However, paying an experienced professional estate planning attorney is still an economical option compared to what the court may charge for probate. When the court hires an attorney, these professionals get a fee based on the percentage of your estate.

So, even if you have a modest estate with a house, some bank balance, investments, and a vehicle, the legal fee may end up in tens of thousands of your hard-earned dollars. This is the money that your family deserves to get, not some court-appointed representative.

The court will take this fee out of your estate. Sometimes they may sell the assets you intended for your heirs.



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How You Can Avoid Probate

Hopefully, by now, you have realized that avoiding probate is the best favor you can do for your family. The best way to do this is estate planning so you can pass all your assets directly to your heirs.

You can do so by stating all your wishes in a will and assign a financial representative by making a power of attorney. This will give a designated person the right to distribute your assets and make financial decisions on your behalf in case of incapacitation or demise.

The other way is to create a living trust. This will retain control of all your finances and assets until your death. You, as a grantor of the trust, can choose a successor trustee who will act on your behalf to distribute the property as per your wishes.

There are several other methods to avoid the probate process in Georgia, such as.

- You can make a spouse or an heir a joint owner of the property and finances in such a way that the full ownership transfers to them upon your death. Some examples include [joint tenancy along with a right of survivorship](#), community property within a community property state, [tenancy by the entirety](#), etc.
- You can even designate beneficiaries on your retirement accounts and life insurance. So the nominated person gets the benefits directly upon your passing away.
- You can also nominate beneficiaries on [Transfer-on-Death \(TOD\) investment accounts](#) and [Pay-on-Death \(POD\) bank accounts](#).

However, it is important to know that you must get the help of a professional estate planning attorney to make the entire process faster and less complicated. If everything seems to be in order, your estate and finances may succeed in skipping the probate process.

Hire Scriber Law for Estate Planning in Georgia

If you are looking for an experienced attorney for estate planning in Georgia, [contact Scriber Law Group today!](#) They have extensive knowledge and will offer a piece of unbiased advice on how you can avoid the probate process and the expensive costs associated with it.

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