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Welcome

Welcome to the July 2015 edition of the Fleschner, Stark, Tanoos & Newlin newsletter. For those of you who have recently subscribed, we are excited to be able to bring you this monthly newsletter. This is our way of keeping you informed of firm activities, as well as helping you to win your case. We welcome your feedback regarding changes or additions.

Tom’s Tips

Last month, I talked about teamwork between you, the client, and us, the attorney. This month, I want to discuss our Clients First motto and our Core Values, so you will get to know your lawyers better.

Clients First Motto

Our Clients First motto is part of our culture and philosophy. Simply put, it says that you, the client, are number one with us. We will do everything possible and feasible to make your Social Security claim or personal injury case successful. We will do this, because at Fleschner, Stark, Tanoos & Newlin you are number one. We will constantly and consistently exceed your expectations for Fleschner Stark Tanoos & Newlin. We’ll make you feel welcome, comfortable, important, and understood—why?—because you are number one.
Core Values

Integrity

Integrity is described as “fidelity to moral principles, honesty, soundness, and completeness.” Integrity is more than honesty in communication; it is true to self and others. It is honesty in actions. It is truth to our convictions. We always tell the truth, regardless.

Employee Self-Actualization

Employee self-actualization is described as to fully realize one’s potential. Satisfaction, happiness, personal growth, accomplishment, service, enjoyment, contentment, and pride are all important components of self-actualization. At Fleschner Stark Tanoos & Newlin, we want all employees to be the best they can at whatever they want to be.

Client Service

All we do at Fleschner Stark Tanoos & Newlin is serve clients. We don’t build bridges; we serve clients. We do whatever it takes; we go the extra mile to serve clients. We treat/serve clients better than we would expect to be treated/served. We provide quality, professional service, always with a smile. We win for our clients. There is no profession more honorable than serving people.

Family

A. At work—We like, know, help, and care about each other. We celebrate and suffer together. We do things together. We always consider each other’s needs before we act.

B. At home—The family of each employee is important to Fleschner Stark Tanoos & Newlin. We will encourage and support each employee to nurture the family home relationship. As an example, we expect an employee to be a parent volunteer on his or her child’s field trip. The employee’s family is more important than the employee’s job at Fleschner Stark Tanoos & Newlin.

C. Of clients—All clients are part of the Fleschner Stark Tanoos & Newlin family. We encourage our staff to develop relationships with their clients. We will show, at all times, empathy, understanding, and caring to each of our client family members.

Summary

The above describes our law firm and how we treat you and each other. We hope this is the type of law firm you would want to have as your law firm.

Attorney Spotlight

Sara D. Davis

Education:
Eastern Illinois University, Bachelor of Arts in English
Indiana State University, Master of Arts in English
Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Juris Doctorate

Hometown:
Robinson, Illinois

Admitted to Practice:
Illinois and Southern District Court of Indiana

• How long have you concentrated your law practice on Social Security Disability work?
  - Since October 2010, I have handled over 1,300 Social Security hearings.
• Why did you want to become an attorney?

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Client Testimonials

Helping Clients For Over 30 Years, We Can Help You Too!

“The best social security lawyers in the country!!!! They got my claim fast! After being denied twice.”
- Teresa H.

“I would recommend this firm to everyone! They all worked together and got my file ready for court, they listened to me vent and cry, they were very supportive in my decisions, and they kept in touch throughout the whole process. My attorney was awesome, after coming out of a hearing that lasted longer than expected and my hearing starting almost an hour late, he stayed calm and collected and got me and approval before we ever left the courtroom! You guys rock!!!!!”
- Renee B.

“I used this Law Firm for my disability case from the beginning. I was about to be homeless due to no income coming in. They got my case expedited and I won!! It took me a little over a year to win my disability case. I highly recommend this Law Firm to be used for representation!!”
- Lisa F.
Attorney Spotlight

- It allowed me to combine my joy in helping others with my English degree. If I hadn't been an attorney, I'd probably be a civil servant somewhere.

- What is the best part of your job?
  - I get to travel all over the United States and meet new and wonderful people, and help them through an admittedly tough time in their lives.

- What advice would you give to individuals attempting to get Social Security benefits?
  - One of the most important aspects in obtaining Social Security Disability is medical records. It is important to see your Doctor regularly and consistently inform him or her of the issues and symptoms you are experiencing.

Employee of the Month

Haley is a scheduling specialist and has been with the law firm for three years now. She communicates with attorneys, schedules hearings, and works closely with a partnering company we use. She loves working closely with her co-workers and has a close relationship with all of them.

She has a dachshund named Buddy and she LOVES to read books. She has traveled to Romania and had some wonderful adventures.

People who voted for Haley said this: "Haley works hard and is very knowledgeable at her job. She goes above and beyond to help attorneys."

New Class Action Lawsuits

Fleschner, Stark, Tanoos & Newlin fights for the rights of clients nationwide in all types of personal injury cases, including product liability, defective medical devices, pharmaceutical (drug) injuries, class actions, and more. We can help, no matter where you live. Below are two active claims we are currently handling. If you or someone you know has been affected by one of the following, please call our office today. If you have a claim, we can help. Call (812) 231-5128 for a free consultation now.

Talcum Powder and Ovarian Cancer

Talc is a mineral made up of various elements, including magnesium, silicon and oxygen. Talc is ground to make talcum powder, which is used to absorb moisture and is widely available in various products, including baby and facial powders, cosmetics, feminine washes, sanitary napkins, tampons, vaginal deodorants and other consumer products. Talc does not break down in the body, and it can travel through a woman's vagina, uterus, and fallopian tubes into her ovaries, causing irritation and possibly cancer. A jury recently found consumer health care products manufacturer Johnson & Johnson knew of the cancer risks associated with its talc products but failed to warn consumers. Our office is investigating cases in which women develop ovarian cancer due to prolonged use of talcum powder.

Testosterone Therapy Heart Attacks and Stroke

Low testosterone or “Low T” is a medical condition that may affect men's sex drive, mood, energy levels, muscle mass, and bone strength. A variety of methods to increase testosterone levels are marketed to men in the form of Androgel®, Axiron®, patches, injections, gels, and pills. Our office is investigating cases in which testosterone therapy has been linked to an increased risk of heart attack and other severe health problems, such as deep vein thrombosis (DVT), pulmonary embolism, stroke, and even death in some male patients.

We are NOT suggesting you have been injured by Talcum Powder or Testosterone. We also are NOT suggesting that all, nor most people are injured or damaged by Talcum Powder or Testosterone Therapy. We are simply stating that accepted medical research shows that some people have suffered damage as a result of Talcum Powder and Testosterone, often severe. Also, please understand that every state has statutes of limitations governing lawsuits against manufacturers of prescription drugs. If you do have a valid lawsuit and it is not filed before the statute of limitations expires, then you may be forever barred from bringing a legal action.
Testosterone Therapy Heart Attacks and Stroke

If you have experienced side effects or complications as a result of Talcum Powder or Testosterone Therapy, please contact us immediately at (812) 231-5128.

“If you have a claim, we can help. Call today!” – Steve Fleschner, managing partner of the Personal Injury and Mass Torts Department

FSTN Gives Back

Every month, if employees at Fleschner, Stark, Tanoos & Newlin wish to wear jeans on a given day, they donate a dollar in order to do so. "Jeans Money" is the money that is collected each month and distributed to various charitable organizations. For the month of July, we have chosen to give back that money to our hard working and dedicated employees. A few years ago, the firm initiated a program where the firm collects backpacks and fills them with school supplies for the employees’ children. It is a way to help not only our employees, but to ensure that their children are as prepared as they can be for the new school year. Below, you will find pictures of last year’s event.

Monthly Article

Each month, we will end our newsletter with an article on a positive note. They will range anywhere from an article on a trending news story, a recipe, sports, or motivational techniques. This month we hope you enjoy the “7 Cardinal Rules in Life.”

“7 Cardinal Rules in Life.”

1. Make Peace With Your Past – so it does not spoil your present. Your past does not define your future, your action and beliefs do.

2. What Others Think Of You – is NONE of your business. It’s how much you value yourself and how important you think you are.

3. Time Heals Almost Everything – give time, time. Scars make us who we are; they explain our life and why we are the way we are. They challenge us and force us to be stronger.

4. No One Is The Reason For Your Own Happiness – except YOU, yourself. Waste no time and effort searching for peace and contentment and joy in the world outside.

5. Do NOT Compare Your Life With Others. You have NO idea what their journey is all about. If we all threw our problems into a pile and saw everyone else’s, we would grab ours back as fast as we could.

6. STOP Thinking Too Much – it’s alright to NOT know ALL the answers. Sometimes there is no answer, there is not going to be an answer, or there never was an answer. THAT is the answer! Just accept it, move on, NEXT!

7. Smile – you do NOT own all the problems of the world. A smile can brighten the darkest day and make life more beautiful. It is the potential curve to turn life around and set everything straight.