

#### 04 - VISITOR SAFETY

## Safety Tips for Visitors in the Windy City

Whether you're in town for a business trip or checking out the sights with friends, you should be careful as you navigate the city.



### USE MASS TRANSIT

When possible, use bus lines or the L Train to avoid congestion or confusion on the roads.



### TRACK TRAFFIC

If you do decide to drive, you can find apps or news sources to avoid congestion or roadwork.



### STAY ON TRACK

Learn to navigate in Chicago using the grid. Chicago's laid out on a grid, with a zero point starting at State and Madison.

#### 05 - CONTACT US

## Find a Chicago Personal Injury Lawyer to Fight for You

If you've been hurt during your visit to Chicago, you're probably reeling in the aftermath. You might be stuck recovering in the hospital, or already home, hoping to recover compensation. A local attorney is your best chance at recovering the most compensation possible.

You stand a better chance working with a local attorney like the team at Staver Accident Injury Lawyers, P.C. We offer remote consultations, and we'll let you know when you need to be in-person for court appearances.

**CALL (312) 248-6195 TO GET STARTED.**



## CHICAGO INJURY RESOURCE: Navigating Claims in the Windy City

Chicago has many wonders for visitors. Whether you're coming to try our famous pizza or checking out historical architecture at the Chicago Architecture Center, the sights in the Second City can be wondrous.

You should know that accidents can be common for Chicago visitors. Recognizing potential hazards around popular destinations can help you protect yourself. Check out this guide to learn more about personal injury claims in Illinois.

## 01 - WHAT TO KNOW

# Illinois is an At Fault State

## The Elements of Negligence in Illinois

You must prove certain conditions were met for a successful personal injury claim.

NEGLIGENCE

- **You were owed a duty of care.**  
The person responsible for your injury was obligated to act responsibly toward other people.
- **There was a breach of duty.**  
The defendant failed to uphold their responsibility.
- **This breach caused an accident.**  
The defendant's actions led to an accident injury.
- **The accident injured you.**  
The plaintiff must demonstrate that the accident caused some kind of loss or injury.

If you're hurt in an accident caused by someone else's negligence, you can pursue compensation claims against them. There might be more than one party responsible for your damages.

## Where do Personal Injury Accidents Happen in Chicago?

Personal injury is a broad term. Accidents can happen in many ways, but you should be able to seek compensation if someone causes your injuries.

*Types of accidents include:*



### MUNICIPAL LIABILITY

Accidents can happen on city property or on the L Train.



### ACCIDENTS ON THE ROAD

You could get hit while walking across the road, driving, or even riding on a bus.



### PREMISES LIABILITY

You could get hurt while visiting private property.

## Things to Remember About Injury Claims

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**YOU HAVE  
YEARS  
TO FILE A PERSONAL  
INJURY CLAIM, FROM  
THE DATE OF INJURY**

You only have a certain amount of times to file a personal injury claim in Illinois. The statute of limitations is two years from the date you were injured.

Your claim could be affected if you contributed to your accident through comparative negligence. Any settlement can be adjusted by the amount of blame you share with the defendant for your injury.

## 02 - NEXT STEPS

# What to do if You're Injured in Chicago, IL

There are steps you must take if you've been hurt. These aren't just important for your health, but for a strong injury claim.



**Get medical attention**  
even if you feel fine.



**Get evidence at the scene of your accident.**



**Contact a Chicago personal injury lawyer.**



**Start the claims process**  
to recover your compensation.

## 03 - RESOURCES

# Health Resources in Chicago

If you're hurt in the Windy City, do not wait to get treatment.

### John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County

📍 1969 W Ogden Avenue, Chicago, IL 60612  
☎ (312) 864-6000

### Thorek Memorial Hospital Andersonville

📍 5025 N. Paulina St. Chicago, IL 60640  
☎ (773) 271-9040

### Jackson Park Hospital & Medical Center

📍 7531 Stony Island Avenue, Chicago IL 60649  
☎ (773) 947-7500