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# Feedback From A Carpey Law Client After Her Case Ended

Once a client's case ends, we don't just wave them goodbye and good luck. Typically, we like to ask our clients to complete a survey in order to find out what we what we could do to improve our services. After all, that's kind of important when you care about what your clients think, right? This is what our client, Vanessa, had to say.

**Q: How often did you request information regarding the status of your case with us?**

*A: I didn't have to. Tiffany did a great job at keeping me updated with any new information.*

**Q: Did you find the use of emailing us was helpful in keeping you informed about the ongoing status of your case?**

*A: Yes. I felt like sending emails was the easiest way for me to contact Mr. Carpey.*

**Q: Was the "process" (meaning how things would work out at each stage of your case) explained to you?**

*A: Yes. I was always well-informed on what was going on with my case.*

**Q: How satisfied were you with the length of time it took to resolve your case?**

*A: I think that my case was resolved in the quickest way possible. I never felt like my case was pushed to the back burner.*

**Q: Please tell us what you liked most about working with us, and what you liked least.**

*A: I liked how I never felt like I didn't know what was going on. I received updates at every stage of my case. If I wasn't sure about something, I could call Mr. Carpey up and he'd give me the best advice he could offer.*

**Q: Please tell us what can be done by us to improve our client services.**

*A: I don't have any complaints so I'm not sure what could be done to improve your services.*

**Q: What was the main reason you had for choosing and hiring our firm?**

*A: I was referred to Mr. Carpey by my coworker's husband.*

**Q: Please tell us of any problems you had with our firm, if any.**

*A: N/A.*

**Q: Please add any additional comments you feel are important.**

*A: I had a great experience working with Mr. Carpey. Hopefully I won't need to hire him again as an accident lawyer, but if I did I wouldn't mind.*

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LAURA CARPEY'S RECIPE OF THE MONTH

# Chicken Addiction

## INGREDIENTS:

- 1 C all-purpose flour
- 2 lb. chicken tenders
- 2 C panko breadcrumbs
- 3 large eggs, beaten
- kosher salt
- freshly ground black pepper
- 1 C barbecue sauce
- 1/2 C brown sugar
- juice of 2 limes
- 1 tsp garlic powder
- ranch dressing, for serving (optional)

## INSTRUCTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 425 degrees F. In a large resealable Ziploc bag, combine flour and chicken. Shake until fully coated.

2. Set-up a dredging station: In one bowl, add panko breadcrumbs and in another bowl whisk eggs and add 2 tablespoons water. Dip chicken in beaten eggs, then panko until fully coated. Transfer to a parchment-lined baking sheet and season generously with salt and pepper.

3. Bake until golden and crispy, 20 to 25 minutes.

4. Meanwhile, in a small saucepan over low heat, warm barbecue sauce, brown sugar, lime juice, and garlic powder.

5. Coat baked chicken in sauce and serve with ranch, if desired.



# THE COLD HARD TRUTH

It comes with the territory. Sometimes I have to tell people what they **NEED** to hear. No what they **WANT** to hear. There are times when you have to 'lay it out straight' and explain the good and the bad about a client's case. There are always 'holes' in a case. Even the best personal injury cases have challenges that must be overcome.

The truth is it's tough to tell another person something that you know isn't going to be well received. It would be much easier to try and avoid these difficult conversations. But, a good lawyer can't be shy about 'telling it like it is'. That's just the way it has to be. If you're really looking out for your client's best interests that is.

*Stuart A. Carpey*



## SPRING HOLIDAYS

Cinco de Mayo: Sunday, May 5

Mother's Day: Sunday, May 12

Memorial Day: Monday, May 27

## REMINDER ABOUT OUR FIRM'S COMMUNICATION POLICY

**About us:** We perform very high quality legal work. We are highly competent and we have a highly competent support staff, but we are not perfect. We can make mistakes. We will correct a mistake if we find it or if you point it out.

It is our policy to return phone calls in the order they are received and based on the priority of the situation. If you leave a message, your call will be returned usually within 24 hours. Some clients feel that calling multiple times in a day will get their call answered faster, but that is not the case. Email is the quickest way to get a response from anyone in the office.

We work by appointment only. Without an appointment, it is unlikely Mr. Carpey would be able to meet with you.

Please utilize our support staff to answer your questions and to give you status reports. Our legal assistants and paralegals are very experienced and will often be able to respond to your requests.

# The Nightmare Deposition

Last week I took a deposition (which is a sworn statement under oath in front of a court reporter, pretty normal occurrence in any case once it's in suit) of the driver of the car that rear-ended my client. This guy was insured with State Farm, and he had his State Farm attorney sitting next to him during the entire deposition (which is also normal).

What wasn't normal was how embarrassingly bad this guy did at his deposition. He could barely answer a question, couldn't remember much about anything, when he did answer he contradicted what he had said earlier. It was bad. On top of that, when I asked him if he remembered answering the interrogatories in the case (because what he said in the interrogatories did not match what he was saying at his deposition) he had no recollection of ever answering them, or ever even discussing them with his attorney, despite the fact that his attorney had him sign a separate page verifying that he did answer the interrogatories. (It's normal to answer interrogatories with your lawyer. It's not normal for the lawyer to type up the answers, not go over them with the client, but have the client sign off saying he did answer them).

Needless to say, this State Farm insured represented by a State Farm attorney was not too happy with State Farm or his State Farm attorney when I was finished with him.

At Carpey Law, we like to do things a bit differently. We answer interrogatories with our clients. We go over the entire case with our clients and fully prepare them for their deposition. Our clients don't get confused at depositions.

Insurance companies treat their insureds like premium paying numbers.

We don't.

*Stuart Carpey*

# Vaporized Marijuana



*Alfonso Gambone, Esquire*

## A NEW FORM OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA

*This is a guest article from Alfonso Gambone, Esquire, who practices criminal law in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. He can be reached at 215.755.9000. His address is 211 N. 13th Street, # 801, Philadelphia, PA 19107.*

Recently, Pennsylvania legalized another form of medical marijuana. The Commonwealth has expanded the available forms of this drug treatment to include dry leaf, which was already available in New Jersey. As in Pennsylvania, New Jersey limits eligible persons to individuals with qualifying illnesses, but like Pennsylvania, this list isn't exhaustive. The Pennsylvania Department of Health will consider an ailment outside of the list if it meets the characteristics of sickness associated with other illnesses on the list.

### Keep in Mind

While Pennsylvania has legalized dry-leaf marijuana, this doesn't mean that eligible users can now smoke it. Unlike New Jersey, smoking dry-leaf marijuana remains illegal. Users who wish to consume dry-leaf marijuana in the Commonwealth must do so in vaporized form (vape).

### Vape Pens & Teenagers

Most of us have probably seen individuals using vape pens on the street, and it's important to keep in mind that these electronic cigarettes or "vape pens" are as regulated as traditional cigarettes. Federal law prohibits the sale of vape pens to persons under the age of 18, but many teenagers purchase these devices online from companies who deliver the product to the home.

### Dangerous Dosage of THC

The active compound in marijuana, which is responsible for creating the "high," is Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC). Vaping marijuana will deliver a much more potent form of THC, and most users don't realize the intensified side effects and the increased risk for addiction through vaping. Unlike traditional cigarettes, vape pens are odorless, and it's nearly impossible to distinguish between a vape pen containing nicotine and one containing THC.

## Stuart's TRIVIA GAME: TRUE OR FALSE?

1. If I have "limited tort coverage" on my car insurance policy, I have the best coverage I can get.
2. An attorney in Pennsylvania can give a gift to someone who refers him a good case.
3. At a deposition, an attorney representing a non-party witness has the right to tell him or her not to answer a particular question.
4. If I purchase "uninsured motorist coverage" I am protected in the event that I am involved in an accident with a driver who does not have car insurance.
5. In a personal injury case, the word "damages" refers to injuries sustained by the accident victim.
6. It is illegal to text while driving in Pennsylvania.



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### Answers to "Stuart's Trivia Game"

1. False 2. False 3. False 4. True 5. True 6. True.

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## MONSANTO'S ROUND UP CAUSING NON-HODGKIN'S LYMPHOMA

Two recent significant verdicts and general news reports have made the public aware of the big headache Bayer AG took on with its purchase of agricultural giant Monsanto. Long term exposure, i.e.: agricultural workers or professional landscapers, to Monsanto's weed killer Round-Up can lead to non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. A federal jury in San Francisco in March found Monsanto liable in the *Hardeman* case. That case now moves on to the damages stage. An earlier trial ended in a verdict against Monsanto in the *Johnson* case for \$289 Million. California has decided to add Round-Up to its Proposition 65 cancer list, thus requiring cancer warnings. There are over 11,000 lawsuits that have been filed against Monsanto in relation to this product. Carpey Law is now taking inquiries from clients with concerns about exposure to this product. If you've got questions about Round-Up, call us.

