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## The Dangers of Winter Coats & Car Seats

As a parent, you want to make sure your children stay warm and safe when traveling in cold weather this holiday season. Your instinct is to bundle them up in a heavy winter jacket before you make that trip over to a family member's house. If your child is riding in a car seat, however, bulky clothing such as winter coats and snowsuits should not be worn under the harness of a car seat. These tips will help to keep your little ones safe and warm this winter:

- Store the carrier portion of infant seats inside the house when not in use. Keeping the seat at room temperature will reduce the loss of the child's body heat in the car.
- Start the car ahead of time and put on the heat to allow your vehicle to get warm before your trip.
- Dress your child in thin layers. Start with close-fitting layers on the bottom, like tights, leggings, and long-sleeved bodysuits. Then add pants and a warmer top, like a sweater or thermal-knit shirt. Your child can wear a thin fleece jacket over the top. In very cold weather, long underwear is also a warm and safe layering option. As a general rule of thumb, infants should wear one more layer than adults. If you have a hat and a coat on, your infant will probably need a hat, coat, and blanket.

- Don't forget hats, mittens, and socks or booties. This will help keep kids warm without interfering with car seat straps.
- Tighten the straps of the car seat harness. Even if your child looks snugly bundled up in the car seat, multiple layers may make it difficult to tighten the harness enough. If you can pinch the straps of the car seat harness, then it needs to be tightened to fit snugly against your child's chest.
- Use a coat or blanket over the straps. You can add a blanket over the top of the harness straps or put your child's winter coat on backwards (over the buckled harness straps) after he or she is buckled up. Keep in mind that the top layer should be removable so your baby doesn't get too hot after the car warms up.
- Use a car seat cover ONLY if it does not have a layer under the baby. Nothing should ever go underneath your child's body or between his/her body and the harness straps. Be sure to leave baby's face uncovered to avoid trapped air and re-breathing. Many retailers carry car seat bundling products that are not safe to use in a car seat. Just because it's on the shelf at the store does not mean it is safe!
- Remember, if the item did not come with the car seat, it has not been crash tested and may interfere with the protection provided in a crash. Never use sleeping bag inserts or other stroller accessories in the car seat.
- Pack an emergency bag for your car. Keep extra blankets, dry clothing, hats and gloves, and non-perishable snacks in your car in case of an on-road emergency or your child gets wet on a winter outing.

*Note: The tips above are appropriate for all ages. In fact, wearing a puffy coat yourself with the seat belt is not a best practice because it adds space between your body and the seat belt.*

Source: American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)

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A successful personal injury claim can enable a victim to recover both monetary and non-monetary damages.

Some common examples of monetary damages (which are also known as special damages) include:

- *Lost wages, including wages lost while recovering from an injury or loss of future earning capacity.*
- *Medical expenses, which can include both past and future medical care, and rehabilitation costs.*
- *Costs of property damages as a result of an accident.*

Examples of non-monetary damages (also known as general damages) include:

- *Pain and suffering. Victims can*

*receive compensation for the actual pain from their injuries as well as the emotional distress caused by them.*

**If you have questions about the types of compensation you may be owed, please call our office at (610)834-6030 to speak with attorney Stuart Carpey about your specific situation.**

## LAURA CARPEY'S RECIPE OF THE MONTH

### Toasted Hazelnut Pumpkin Cake with Espresso Icing

#### INGREDIENTS

##### *Cake*

- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cardamom
- 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 7 ounces hazelnuts, about 1 1/3 cups
- 3 large eggs
- 2/3 cup packed dark brown sugar
- 1/4 cup demerara sugar plus 2 tablespoons for sprinkling
- 1/2 cup plus 1 tablespoon melted coconut oil
- 1/2 cup pumpkin puree
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla

##### *Espresso Icing*

- 2 cups confectioner's sugar
- 2 1/2 tablespoons liquid espresso
- 2 teaspoons almond milk
- 1 teaspoon maple syrup
- 1/4 teaspoon salt

#### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Preheat the oven to 325° and line the bottom of a deep 8 1/2-inch cake pan with parchment paper.
2. In a medium bowl, whisk together the flour, cinnamon, cardamom, nutmeg, and salt and set aside.
3. In a small frying pan over medium heat, toast the hazelnuts until fragrant, about 3 minutes. Transfer half of the nuts to a small food processor and pulse until a coarsely ground flour forms. Roughly chop the remaining hazelnuts over a cutting board into small sized pieces. Add both the hazelnut meal and loosely chopped pieces to the bowl of dry ingredients.
4. In a large bowl, whisk together the eggs, sugars, coconut oil, pumpkin puree, and vanilla until very smooth. Gently fold in the dry ingredients until incorporated. Using a spatula, scrape the batter into the parchment lined pan. Smooth out the surface of the cake batter with the spatula and sprinkle the remaining two tablespoons of

demerara sugar evenly over the top.

5. Bake for 45 minutes until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. The top of the cake should be crispy and cracked from the scattered sugar coating. Let the cake cool for 15 minutes before removing it from the pan. Gently peel off the parchment paper from the bottom and let stand.

6. Make the icing; mix the confectioner's sugar, espresso, almond milk, maple syrup, and salt together until smooth. Drizzle over the cake and serve.



*Source: Food and Wine magazine*

## Reminder About Our Firm's Communication Policy

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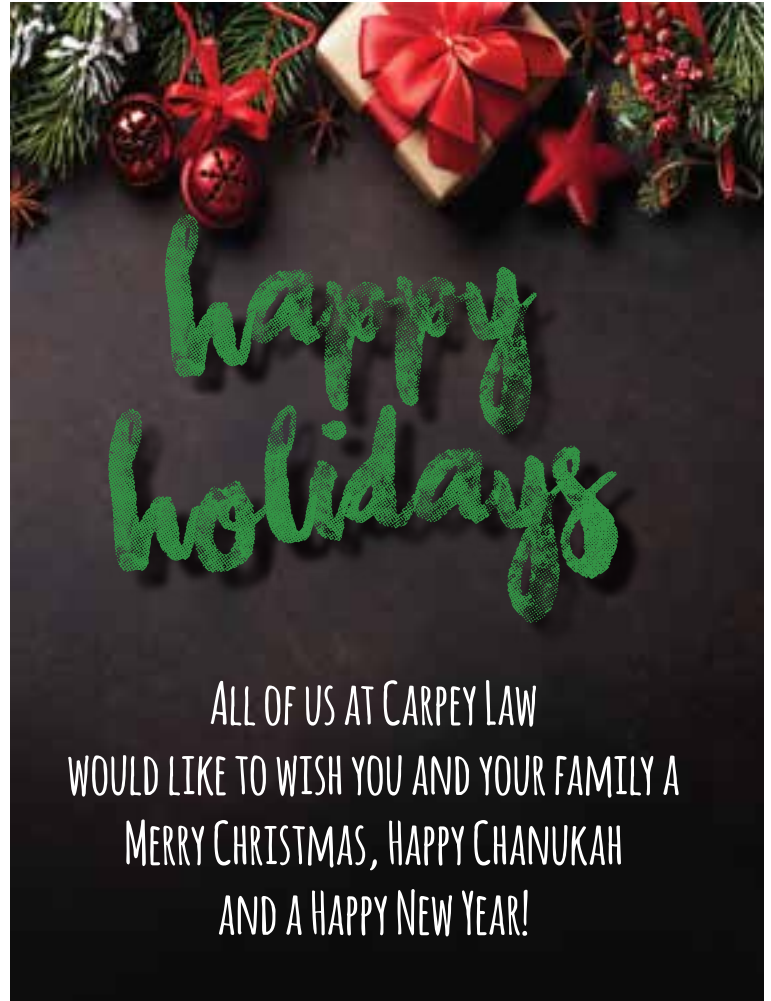
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But sometimes, bad things happen to good people. Car wrecks, on-the-job accidents, even freak fatal accidents. Tragedy is blind - it befalls every person at some point in his or her life.

And while we don't wish tragedy on anyone, we want you to know that we are here to help if you or anyone you know needs our help. We are highly trained, talented and excited to get up every morning and help make a difference in our clients' lives. We hope our firm's dedication to helping you, and people just like you, shows in every newsletter we send.



*What not to miss during the most wonderful time of the year...*

- **Christmas in Peddler's Village**  
November 14, 2025 - January 18, 2026
- **Winter at Dilworth Park**  
November 14, 2025 - March 14, 2026
- **Franklin Square Holiday Festival**  
November 20, 2025 - February 28, 2026
- **Holiday Light Show at Fashion District Philadelphia**  
November 20, 2025 - January, 2026
- **Christmas Village in Philadelphia**  
November 22, 2025 - December 24, 2025
- **Comcast Holiday Spectacular & Market**  
November 27, 2025 - January 1, 2026
- **A Longwood Christmas at Longwood Gardens**  
November 21, 2025 - January 11, 2026
- **Macy's Christmas Light Show**  
November 28, 2025 - December 24, 2026
- **Blue Cross RiverRink Winterfest**  
November 28, 2025 - March 1, 2026

## MUST-SEE HOLIDAY ATTRACTIONS IN PHILADELPHIA FOR 2025





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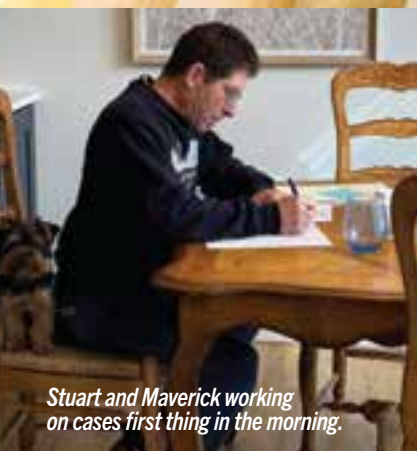
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