

*Special Report*



THINGS TO  
CONSIDER  
BEFORE  
HIRING  
YOUR  
LAWYER

There is a proliferation of lawyer advertising and you should not select your attorney based upon advertising information alone. Frankly, many of the advertising lawyers are just that. They advertise for cases but never actually go to court. Many claims and lawsuits could take years to resolve and you have to make sure that's the word you select is qualified to achieve the results that you want. We provide you the following information to consider when you select the right lawyer for your case. We are always available for free confidential consultations at our office or on the telephone to answer any additional questions you have about your case our law firm.

**1. Use a Lawyer that Focuses Their Practice on the Type of Case that You Have.**

At Coffey Trial Law we have only veteran attorneys that it handled thousands of personal injury and/or wrongful death cases on behalf of victims and their families. We know what it takes to prove each case beyond a reasonable doubt it we have Compassion to hold your hand through the medical recovery process and all phases of litigation. We retain world-class expert witnesses, top-notch medical doctors at no upfront cost to you to prove your case that often times translates into a significantly greater recovery then if you go with the lawyer that does not focus their practice on personal injury or wrongful death claims. You should also be aware that many of these large advertising law firms that and spend millions of dollars a year On television, billboards, bus wraps and Internet advertising will treat you as a number rather than her name. They cast and extremely wide net's and they're looking for the "big fish" that makes their life easy. Many of these law firms do not want to work hard on a case for their clients because they are overworked. We recently learned of a law firm that has over 10,000 cases. We asked ourselves, how could a law firm competently handle that many client's cases and know each client personally question our conclusion is that is impossible. These types of law firms are referred to as mills or factories.

Do yourself a favor and make sure that you find a law from the focus is there practice on the type of case that you have and has the time and manpower to give your case the attention that it deserves.

**2. Make Sure You Hire an Attorney has the Right Experience.**

Coffey Trial Law has experienced attorneys. Sam Coffey has practiced personal injury and wrongful death law in Broward County for over 20 years. Dennis Philips, Esq., and Jaci Holden, Esq., have each practiced personal injury and wrongful death bought in Broward County for over 17 years. Our staff of paralegals is also extremely experienced. Most of our paralegals have been working in personal injury law firm for greater than 20 years and they have handled thousands of cases combined of all sorts from complex airplane crashes, maritime cases, product liability cases, asbestos cases, Worker's Compensation cases, negligent security cases, wrongful death cases, automobile accidents, motorcycle accidents and trucking accidents.



### 3. Is the Attorney a Good Communicator?

We promise you that if you were a client of our law firm that you will have the cellular telephone number of the lawyer that is handling your case. It is on our business cards. You will have access to the attorney and the paralegal involved with your case via email or telephone as often as you reasonably need. We will advise you of each significant event as it transpires in your case to allow you to make informed decisions about the important aspects of your case. If you need to see your medical records, we store them electronically and we can provide you access to them upon request. You will always know of every offer made by the defendant on your case with in a short period of time after an offer is made so that you can meaningfully considerate and ask the attorney their advice.

### 4. What is the Attorney's Track Record for Professionalism?

The Broward County Bar Association honored Sam Coffey with the Joseph C. Carter Professionalism Award in 2013, an award annually presented to one lawyer who has exemplified the highest ideals of professionalism in law practice and in life. Sam Coffey has lectured nationally on the issue of traumatic brain injury and spinal cord injury to industry leaders, insurance company executives, and judges. Sam Coffey annually presents a personal injury boot camp for practitioners who want to learn more about the basics of personal injury claims. Sam Coffey also presents on evidence, law office technology, paperless law office strategy, focus groups, and the power of persuasion in the courtroom and beyond.

Peer Recognized as a Super Lawyer and AV Rated by Martindale Hubbell  
 Sam Coffey is AV-rated by Martindale-Hubbell and is included in the Bar Register of Preeminent Lawyers. He has been recognized by his peers for his inclusion in Super Lawyers. This honor is bestowed upon the top 5% of attorneys practicing law in the local community. Sam Coffey has considerable jury trial experience.

### 5. What is the Attorney's Track Record for Past Results in Cases Like Yours?

Our track record of successful representation for our clients speaks for itself. Over the last 20 years, Sam Coffey's team has litigated thousands of personal injury and wrongful death cases resolving them through trial, appeal, arbitration and mediation. Collectively, the lawyers practicing at Coffey Trial Law have been involved with the recovery of over \$100 million. Sam's skill and presence in the courtroom have resulted in numerous jury verdicts and large settlements outside of court for his clients. The reputation of Coffey Trial Law is known by defense lawyers and insurance companies both regionally and nationally. We are not known as a large advertising law firm. We are known as a trial law practice that goes to court if necessary. Who would you like to represent you? Below is a partial list of some of our recent results:

- Confidential settlement pharmacy malpractice, wrongful death involving over-dispensing oxycodone.**
- Confidential settlement, wrongful death**



Confidential settlement, transmission of incurable STD  
 Confidential settlement medical malpractice, wrongful death  
 Confidential settlement, wrongful death motor vehicle accident, trucking accident  
 Confidential settlement, product liability  
 \$4.7 million premises liability, slip and fall at nightclub with complex ankle fracture resulting in ankle fusion, loss of ability earn money in the past and loss of ability to earn money in the future as well as need for future ankle surgery.  
 \$3.4 million product liability  
 \$1.8 million product liability  
 \$1.4 million motor vehicle accident  
 \$1.25 million motor vehicle accident, wrongful death  
 \$950,000.00 trucking accident, traumatic brain injury, leg fracture  
 \$600,000.00 slip and fall and fractured cervical spine, spine surgery C2 through T1  
 \$300,000.00 premises liability, trip and fall  
 \$300,000.00 motor vehicle accident, cervical spine surgery  
 \$250,000.00 golf cart accident, knee injury, recommendation for total knee replacement  
 \$750,000.00 product liability claim  
 \$458,000.00 premises liability slip and fall accident  
 \$575,000.00 forklift accident, back injury, industrial accident  
 \$200,000.00 slip and fall accident  
 \$200,000.00 independent living facility negligent supervision of resident  
 \$300,000 negligent security/shooting at a nightclub  
 \$230,000.00 premises liability/slip and fall accident  
 \$515,000.00 motor vehicle accident versus six-year-old child  
 \$425,000.00 UM recovery for motorcycle passenger from motor vehicle accident  
 \$100,000.00 premises much liability construction accident  
 \$200,000.00 trip and fall on swimming pool patio at resort hotel  
 \$325,000.00 rear end motor vehicle accident involving a commercial vehicle  
 \$360,000.00 medical malpractice  
 \$150,000.00 golf cart accident and fractured distal humerus  
 \$175,000.00 slip and fall accidents, low back injury  
 \$285,000.00 slip and fall accident staircase, neck and back injury  
 \$250,000.00 motor vehicle accident, low back injury  
 \$200,000.00 slip and fall, broken femur  
 \$150,000.00 trucking accident, neck and back injury  
 \$125,000.00 premises liability, knee injury  
 \$263,000.00 premises liability, trip and fall accident, broken hip  
 \$210,000.00 premises liability, broken hip  
 \$135,000.00 product liability, ankle injury  
 \$510,000.00, motor vehicle accident, low back surgery  
 \$250,000.00 Motor vehicle accident, next surgery  
 \$275,000.00 premises liability, waterpark accident, next surgery  
 \$350,000.00 negligent security, sexual assaults  
 \$500,000.00 slip and fall wrongful death claim against hospital  
 \$600,000.00 dog bite  
 \$600,000.00 trucking accident, commercial vehicle, neck and back injuries  
 \$100,000.00 motor vehicle accidents cervical spine surgery (policy limits)  
 \$200,000.00 product liability claim, eye injury  
 \$325,000.00 rear end motor vehicle accident involving a commercial vehicle  
 \$360,000.00 medical malpractice  
 \$100,000.00 premises liability  
 \$100,000.00 premises liability accident  
 \$100,000.00 motor vehicle accident  
 \$35,000.00 automobile accident, neck and back injury  
 \$90,000.00 automobile accident, low back injury  
 \$50,000.00 uninsured motorist recovery  
 \$150,000.00 trip and fall accident

\$40,000.00 elevator accident  
 \$67,000.00 taxi cab accident  
 \$95,000.00 trip and fall accident  
 \$30,000.00 slip and fall accident  
 \$240,000.00 motor vehicle accident  
 \$100,000.00 DUI motor vehicle accident  
 \$50,000.00 negligent security assault and battery  
 \$125,000.00 motor vehicle accident involving a commercial vehicle  
 \$40,000.00 UIM claim  
 \$104,000.00 premises liability claim against apartment complex  
 \$110,000.00 slip and fall accident involving a commercial property  
 \$110,000.00 nursing home abuse  
 \$95,000.00 premises liability claim involving automobile dealership  
 \$200,000.00 (sovereign immunity Limits) police misconduct  
 \$50,000.00 UIM claim single car accident  
 \$30,000.00 pharmacy malpractice  
 \$215,000.00 premises liability and negligence security torn ACL was surgical repaired  
 \$100,000.00 premises liability homeowners claim neighbor shooting neighbor over property line dispute, insurance coverage reservation of rights  
 \$265,000.00 amusement park collision involving broken teeth and closed head injury  
 \$30,000.00 premises liability claim involving faulty brick pavers, broken arm  
 \$225,000.00 trip and fall accident in a parking garage with poor lighting resulting in broken shoulder and shoulder replacement surgery  
 \$400,000.00 motorcycle versus motor vehicle accident involving Canadian tourist, closed head injury, traumatic brain injury  
 \$350,000.00 wrongful death, DUI (policy limit plus the insured paid an additional \$100,000 in a structured settlement)  
 \$40,000.00 premises liability accident  
 \$145,000.00 forklift accident, industrial accidents, knee and back injury  
 \$225,000.00 motor vehicle accident, neck and back injury  
 \$50,000.00 trucking accident, back injury  
 \$400,000.00 motor vehicle accidents neck and back injury  
 \$75,000.00 premises liability, slip and fall accident knee injury  
 \$150,000.00 motor vehicle accidents knee injury and neck injury

*Disclaimer: Coffey Trial Law is pleased to provide the following information concerning historical results that we have obtained for our clients. While we have worked very hard on behalf of each and every client over the past 20 years, our past results are not a guarantee that we will be able to obtain a similar result for your case since each case is unique and Florida law continues to change.*

## 6. What is the Attorney’s Approach and Does It Fit Your Needs?

Simply stated, we handle your case as if it were on our own case or a case for a family member. We believe that it is very important after an accident to get the best medical possible and the best timely legal advice. We will make every attempt to ethically obtain for you the largest recovery from all sources available. We don’t cut corners and will not do anything illegal. We did make no promises is other than that we will work hard for you if you choose us to be your lawyers.



## **7. What are Past Clients Saying About the Attorney? Please read some of our Attorney Reviews.**

### **More than an assistant.**

Not only were you Sam's assistant, but there was not one time I called you that you helped me in any way you could. It's not easy for me to adjust. Thank you so much for all the help + time.

Maria, Sam and Dennis have done an awesome job working for them, and I will thank them repeatedly. As someone who works and advocates "behind the scenes" for clients myself, I know we often do a lot of the work and receive little of the praise. So I sincerely thank you for everything you've done on my case. Thanks!

### **Thank you to Sam Coffey**

Thank you to Sam Coffey for his great work on my personal injury case. His team made the whole process easy and quick.

### **Best Personal Injury Lawyers!**

Coffey Trial Law are the best personal injury lawyers. They did a great job for my case. The staff was super helpful and friendly and they always were able to answer all of my questions. My telephone calls were always answered by a real person who knew my case and was able to help. They knew me and exactly what was going on in my case.

## **8. Ask About All Fees and Costs to You May Have to Pay Up Front.**

We offer to our clients a contingency fee agreement which means that you will never be asked to pay us even a penny up front. We will only charge you an attorney fees and costs if we obtain a recovery for you. This is our no fee and no cost promise to you.





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