



PARKER LAW FIRM: The Attorneys You Want But Hope You Never Need

Message From Brad

I am very proud to announce that I have published my third book involving Texas car and truck crashes. This new book is entitled *How Do I ... Settle It Myself; A Complete Guide to Handling Your Personal Injury Claim Without Hiring a Lawyer*. That is right, I have written a book on how to handle your car accident claim without hiring a lawyer.

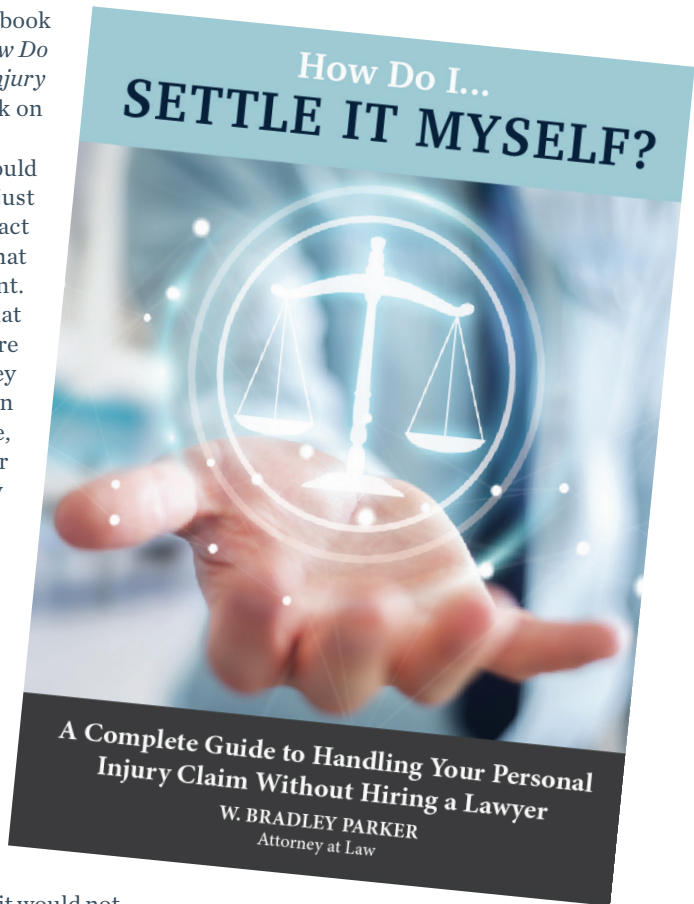
Several friends and neighbors don't understand at first why I would write a book about NOT hiring an attorney. They ask, "Aren't you just putting yourself out of business?" It might seem that way, but the fact of the matter is that we are very selective in the types of cases that we take. The injuries must be serious and the damages significant. This results in us taking only about one in every 50 or so cases that we are asked to review. Fortunately, many of the calls we receive are from folks who have been involved in a minor fender-bender and they are not suffering anything more than sprain and strain injuries. In situations where the case is not one that we would necessarily take, we always try and refer the potential client to a well-qualified lawyer that may be able to help. However, oftentimes a lawyer is not really necessary. So many people just have simple questions about the process and want to handle their claims themselves. In fact, while a lawyer in a smaller case may be able to obtain a larger recovery for their client, by the time attorney fees and costs are paid the client "nets" less than they would have if they handled the claim themselves.

In other words, I felt that there was a need for a book to help people navigate the process themselves in the smaller cases. So I decided to write the book and see if I could help those who have questions and want to handle their claims themselves. If you want a free copy of my new book, just go to www.TexasLawBooks.com where you can download any of my other books or information I have written including my newest book - *How Do I ... Settle it Myself*.

On another note, I knew it was going to happen but had just hoped it would not happen for a while longer. Kami Fox, our marketing director, is moving to Kentucky to be closer to her boyfriend. Kami went to college at Western Kentucky where she met Gregory. He is a great guy and true gentleman, and they have been dating for some time now. Her move is supposed to occur in August so if you have the chance, be sure to drop her an email to wish her the best. Fortunately, Kami is going to continue to work remotely at least until we can find someone to fill her shoes, which is not going to be easy. Kami has worked for us since high school in one capacity or another, and she is going to be truly missed!

Until Next Time,

Brad



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YMCA Donor Day

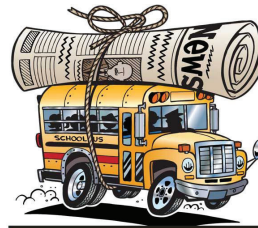
Brad visited the Airport Area YMCA Donor Day last month! We are proud to help contribute and give back to the Hurst-Eules-Bedford community and see all the youth programs in place. If you'd like more information on your local Y, visit YMCA.org.



(photo on left) Brad with the executive director of YMCA, Michael Draper

Welcome to Parker Law Firm, Claire Fore!

Claire Fore shifted her legal prowess to Parker Law Firm in 2018 after working for a personal injury firm in Mesquite. Perfectly aligned with the firm's mission, Claire always puts the client first. When she wasn't soaking up the courtroom process, Claire spent her childhood in Montana playing club soccer, golfing, downhill skiing, playing violin and traveling to Belize. Today Claire spends time out of the office with her husband, a Fort Worth native, and their yellow lab.



Back to School Word Search

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See how many of these newspaper related words you can find in the puzzle. The words can be forward, backward or diagonal.

Created by Sue Lindfors
Grand Forks Herald 2011

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| 1. STUDENTS | 5. LEARNING | 9. GRADES | 13. READING |
| 2. SCHOOLS | 6. NEWSPAPERS | 10. PRINCIPAL | 14. WRITING |
| 3. BOOKS | 7. BUS | 11. EDUCATION | 15. MATH |
| 4. COMPUTERS | 8. TEACHERS | 12. CLASSES | 16. LIBRARY |

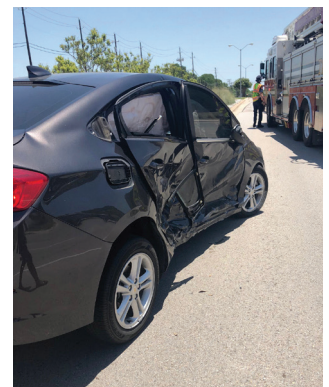
Prepared as Possible

At Parker Law Firm, we stress the importance of protecting yourself with plenty of insurance coverage, wearing your seatbelt, driving without distractions and staying aware of your surroundings when on the road. However, you can never prepare for the unfortunate event of a car accident.

It was a clear, summer day when I was involved in a traumatic t-bone accident. And it's true, I couldn't prepare or "expect" for this impact to happen that day. I was driving through an intersection with a green light when I was completely broadsided on my passenger side. My vehicle was spun around and resulted in hitting a brick wall before landing on the median.

Fortunately, I was able to walk away with minor contusions and the police report cited the other driver for their negligence. My safety and health are No. 1, but it was also important to have plenty of insurance coverage in the event I needed it. An unexpected event like this has put things into perspective. While I am handling the process on my own, at least I know of a good lawyer.

-Kami Fox, Parker Law Firm Marketing Director



How Do I... SETTLE IT MYSELF?



A Complete Guide to Handling Your Personal Injury Claim Without Hiring a Lawyer

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In Brad's new book, *How Do I... Settle it Myself? A Complete Guide to Handling Your Personal Injury Claim Without Hiring a Lawyer*, he guides those who want to handle their auto accident case on their own by providing a step-by-step process and useful forms. So what types of cases can often be settled without the assistance of a lawyer?

- those involving minor property damage;
- medical injuries are primarily sprains and strains;
- there was no immediate medical care provided;
- there was only chiropractic or physical therapy treatment involved;
- there were no broken bones, blood, surgery or death;
- no future medical care is anticipated;
- no more than a few days of work were missed.

The vast majority of accidents that occur on a day-in/day-out basis fit the criteria above. Most of the time these types of accidents can be handled relatively easily without the assistance of a lawyer.

Brad hopes that the information provided herein will allow people to proceed without a lawyer if that's the way they determine they want to pursue their claim.

Obviously if a client's injuries are more severe, required hospitalization or surgery, resulted in them missing substantial amounts of time away from work, or left them with permanent or longlasting injuries, then the need for a lawyer increases dramatically.

If you or someone you know needs information about their legal rights in personal injury matters, download Brad's free book, *How Do I...Settle it Myself?*, at texaslawbooks.com.

Tex-Mex Galore: Cheesy Quesadillas

For most, school is back in session! Need a refresher course on fun lunch recipes? Check out these easy AND cheesy quesadillas:

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 to 3 cups of filling (veggies, meat, beans, grains)
- 2 teaspoons butter or vegetable oil, divided
- 4 large flour or corn tortillas
- 2 cups shredded cheese

DIRECTIONS:

1. Prepare the filling. Pick a few of the suggested filling ingredients above, enough to make 2 to 3 cups of total filling.
2. Melt 1/2 teaspoon butter or oil in the skillet. Warm it in the skillet over medium to medium-high heat.
3. Add the tortilla and top with cheese. Lay one tortilla in the skillet and sprinkle all over with 1/2 cup of cheese.
4. Add the filling: Spread roughly 1/2 cup of filling in a single layer over just half the tortilla. Wait for the cheese to melt or until tortilla is golden brown.
5. Fold the quesadilla in half. Slice and enjoy with your favorite sides!

*Suggestion: Pack with guacamole, tortilla chips, red peppers

Do you have a recipe you would like to share? Email Kami@parkerlawfirm.com to submit a photo and your favorite recipe to make and it may be featured in a future issue of BarTalk!



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National Stop on Red Week

The National Coalition for Safer Roads (NCSR) is proud to partner with organizations and communities across the country to raise awareness about the dangers of red-light running during National Stop on Red Week. From Aug. 5 - 11, each day of this dedicated week emphasizes different safety aspects, useful statistics and information. To learn more, visit ncrsafety.org.



Refer Your Friends and Family to Us!

We'd love for you to refer us to your friends or loved ones. Rest assured that we'll treat them just as we would our own family members.

Trivia Treasures

In August of 1989, this beloved pitcher struck out Rickey Henderson to become the first Major League Baseball pitcher to record 5,000 strikeouts?

- A. Roger Clemens
- B. Nolan Ryan
- C. Charlie Hough

If you answer correctly, you will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win two free tickets for admission to a local movie theater. Call the firm at 817.330.8611 or email Kami Fox at kami@parkerlawfirm.com before August 23 to participate. *Our July trivia challenge winner was Bobbie Hartwig of Princeton, Texas. Congratulations, Bobbie!*