

CHOOSING YOUR LAWYER

PERSONAL INJURY ATTORNEY/FIRM EVALUATION FORM

This form is designed to assist you in evaluating the qualifications of the attorneys or law firms that you are considering to help handle your personal injury case. **Make multiple copies of this form and fill it out after meeting with each attorney that you are considering.**

ATTORNEY/FIRM INFORMATION

Name Of Attorney/Firm
Being Reviewed: _____

Contact Information: _____

EVALUATION / SCORECARD

	(5) = Exceptional	(4) = Exceeds Expectations	(3) = Meets Expectations	(2) = Marginal	(1) = Unsatisfactory
Number Of Years Practicing Law	<input type="checkbox"/> 15+ Years	<input type="checkbox"/> 10-15 Years	<input type="checkbox"/> 5-10 Years	<input type="checkbox"/> 3-5 Years	<input type="checkbox"/> 1-2 Years
Specializes In Personal Injury Law	<input type="checkbox"/> Only Handles PI Cases	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> General Law Practice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Does Not Typically Handle PI Cases
Trial Experience Actually Takes Cases To TRIAL--Not Just Going To Court For Hearings.	<input type="checkbox"/> Goes To Trial Several Times Per Year	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Occasionally Goes To Trial	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Has Never Gone To Trial
Wins At Trial	<input type="checkbox"/> Dramatically Exceeds Settlement Offers	<input type="checkbox"/> Exceeds Settlement Offers	<input type="checkbox"/> Meets Settlement Offers	<input type="checkbox"/> No Jury Award / Loses Cases At Trial	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A Does Not Got To Trial
Understanding Of Or Experience With Injury Cases That Are Similar To Mine	<input type="checkbox"/> Frequently Handles Cases Like Mine	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Has Handled A Few Cases Like Mine	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Doesn't Usually Handle Cases Like Mine
Awards/Distinctions	<input type="checkbox"/> Has Been Recognized By Peers & The News Media	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> No Special Recognition
Quality Of Website Content	<input type="checkbox"/> Website Helps Me To Understand The Legal Process and/or Research My Case	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Website Offers Little In The Way Of Useful Information
Quality Of Books, Articles, Instructional Videos, Etc. Often called to speak to professional legal organizations and law schools.	<input type="checkbox"/> Published Author, & Frequent Speaker	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Published
Excellent Client Case Studies	<input type="checkbox"/> Attorney Has Been Successful Handling Cases That Are Similar To Mine	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Excellent Client References	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	No Available References
	Former Clients Have Good Things To Say					
Knowledgeable And Confident	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	I Left The Consultation With More Questions Than Answers
	During My Consultation All My Questions Were Answered					
Understands That My Case Is Unique And Listens To My Needs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Poor Listener
	Great Listener					
Staff (receptionist, legal assistants, paralegals) Is Courteous And Responsive	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Staff Does Little To Help Me Understand The Process
	Warm, Friendly & Helpful Staff					

Additional Comments:

**The Smart Consumer's Guide To Hiring A Great Lawyer:
Getting The Right Attorney For Your Accident Case**

Hiring A Great Lawyer is full of thoughtful steps and practical tips that will help you during your search for the right attorney including:

- ✓The 11 evaluation criteria that you should use when selecting an attorney.
- ✓The truth about lawyer finder websites and directories.
- ✓What you need to know about yellow page and television advertising.
- ✓A lawyer scorecard/evaluation form that you can use when interviewing attorneys.

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