

Truck Accidents in Northeastern and Central Pennsylvania

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If it seems to you there are more big trucks on the roadways and more accidents involving big trucks, you are correct. In a recently released report, the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (NHTSA) says the number of fatal big truck accidents rose 4% in 2012 (the latest year for available statistics). Injuries from big truck accidents rose 18%.

Part of the reason we are seeing more trucks on the road is our national economy is slowly improving. As the economy improves, more goods are transported by big trucks.

Sadly, our region sees more than its share of big truck accidents. Northeastern and Central Pennsylvania is home to an excellent highway system with Interstates 80, 81, 380 and 84 and the Pennsylvania Turnpike. These high volume roadways are also attractive to trucks as they are gateways to just about all major points, north, south, east and west across the United States.

Each year, families from across Northeastern and Central Pennsylvania turn to Lenahan & Dempsey to help them after a loved one has been injured by a big truck. Immediately following an accident, trucking companies and their insurance companies dispatch special investigators called Accident Response Teams to protect their interests. It is critically important you call us at 1-888-536-2426 as soon as possible after an accident to allow us to gather evidence, speak with witnesses and begin to protect your rights.

When we do investigate a truck accident, very often we discover shocking evidence.

The U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration reports that 23% of large-truck crashes occur when these commercial vehicles are traveling too fast for the current road conditions. We also see cases where poor maintenance or poor training has also lead to very serious accidents.

The average tractor trailer is between 70 and 80 feet in length and fully loaded they can weigh up to 80,000 pounds (40 tons). Compare that to the weight of the average car on the road - 5,000 pounds. It's no wonder when trucks hit cars, it's the car that usually suffers far greater damage.

"We have recovered millions and millions of dollars for innocent truck accident victims."

- John R. Lenahan

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Accidents involving big trucks can be highly complicated. For instance, the tractor can be from one state and covered by one insurer, but the trailer can be owned by a different company from a different state with yet another insurer. The same goes for the driver, as well as the trucking company, inspection mechanics and others involved in truck maintenance.

If you or a loved one has been seriously injured in an accident involving a big truck, it is important you take a number of steps right away to protect your legal rights. The first step is to call my office at 1-888-LENAHAN (1-888-536-2426). The call and the consultation are free. Also, there are no fees unless we are successful in getting you the money you deserve following any serious personal injury, including accidents involving big trucks.

To learn more about my background and professional interest in transportation accident cases, please [click here](#).

About John R. Lenahan, Jr.



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Attorney John R. Lenahan, Jr. concentrates his practice on assisting the seriously injured. He has strong interests in cases in the fields of Personal Injury, Motor Vehicle/Truck Accident Litigation, Products Liability and more. Named to Best Lawyers in America, John Lenahan has had many significant cases over his career, including that of the internationally known singer, Gloria Estefan, who was in a bus/truck collision in the Pocono region. Through the years Attorney Lenahan has been successful in winning multi-million dollar verdicts and settlements for seriously injured people.



Do you have a question about a serious injury?

Unsure of your rights? Unsure of what to do next? Being pressured by a big insurance company to take a quick settlement? Are you being forced back to work too soon following a work place injury?

Call Lenahan & Dempsey right now. The call is free. The consultation is free. Lenahan & Dempsey does not charge any fees unless we are successful for you.

For over 65 years now, Lenahan & Dempsey has been protecting local families following serious personal injuries. It would be an honor to protect you or your family.

We have offices located throughout Northeastern and Central Pennsylvania as well as the Shale region. We are also available for home, hospital and nursing home meetings with you or your family. Call toll-free today 1-888-536-2426.



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VERDICTS AND SETTLEMENTS*			
\$ 15,000,000.00	Verdict	Medical Negligence	
\$ 13,600,000.00	Settlement	Insurance Bad Faith	
\$ 7,000,000.00	Settlement	Car/Truck Accident	
\$ 6,775,000.00	Verdict	Motor Vehicle Collision	
\$ 6,000,000.00	Settlement	Motor Vehicle Collision	
\$ 5,000,000.00	Settlement	Mistreatment of Disabled Children	
\$ 4,601,387.00	Settlement	Insurance Bad Faith	
\$ 4,500,000.00	Settlement	Work Place Injury	
\$ 4,350,000.00	Settlement	Motor Vehicle Collision	
\$ 3,078,825.00	Verdict	Insurance Bad Faith	
\$ 2,700,000.00	Verdict	Motor Vehicle Collision	
\$ 2,600,000.00	Settlement	Motor Vehicle Collision	
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\$ 1,625,000.00	Settlement	Motor Vehicle Collision	
\$ 1,600,000.00	Verdict	Medical Negligence	
\$ 1,460,000.00	Settlement	Pedestrian Injury	
\$ 1,350,000.00	Settlement	Pedestrian Injury	
\$ 1,200,000.00	Verdict	Medical Negligence	
\$ 1,130,000.00	Settlement	Work Place Injury	
\$ 1,000,000.00	Settlement	Motor Vehicle Collision	
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