



Wrongful Death & its Damages



What Is Wrongful Death?

Wrongful death occurs when the negligent or deliberately harmful actions of an individual, company, or entity causes another person to be killed. Wrongful death claims often arise from accidents caused by unsafe premises or products and medical malpractice, including auto, large truck, and motorcycle accidents, elder abuse, and workplace accidents.

Types of Wrongful Death Damages

While no amount of compensation can make up for the loss of your loved one, wrongful death damages can reduce the stress associated with the financial repercussions of an unexpected death. The compensation survivors are able to obtain depends on several factors, including the circumstances surrounding the accident and the impact of the death on the survivors' financial status. A wrongful death settlement can include compensatory and punitive damages:

1. Compensatory Damages
2. Punitive Damages

Compensatory Damages

Compensatory damages cover expenses directly related to the death, thereby minimizing the financial impact of the death on the victim's family. These expenses include medical costs prior to death, loss of future wages and support, and funeral and burial costs.

Punitive Damages

In wrongful death cases in which the responsible party acted intentionally, recklessly, or with gross negligence, the judge may impose punitive damages, or damages intended to serve as a punishment to the defendant.

Contact Our Wrongful Death Law Attorneys Sacramento

If you have lost a beloved member of your family due to someone else's negligence, you need an experienced attorney to fight for your rights. [Contact](#) York Law Firm to schedule a case evaluation with one of our wrongful death attorneys. Our lawyers serve Sacramento, Fairfield, and surrounding North Bay Area communities.

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