

QUESTIONS YOU SHOULD ASK A LAWYER IF YOU THINK YOU MIGHT BE INVOLVED IN A LAWSUIT

- 1. What experience do you have trying business cases to verdict?** Only a small percentage of cases in the U.S. Judicial System end up in a trial where a jury or judge decides the case. In trial work, experience counts. Additionally, our significant trial experience allows us to help you with your transactional needs, since we are more aware of potential litigation issues which can exist in any business.

- 2. Do you have the time and resources to take my case?** Not all cases are created equal. You want to make sure the lawyer you hire is able to dedicate the time and resources necessary to properly handle your case as well as the ability to bring in expert witnesses when necessary.

- 3. What time commitment should I expect?** Sometimes cases require the client to spend substantial time assessing issues, gathering evidence and preparing for the various stages of litigation. It is important to know at the beginning what that commitment will be so that you can plan accordingly.

- 4. What are the steps in the process?** The steps in the process vary by case and may depend on what goals you wish to accomplish. Asking this question at the beginning can help you prepare and assess what you will need to do to assist your lawyer.

- 5. What are the alternatives to resolving any case, other than a trial?** Florida law provides several methods to settle a case, and they can be used at almost any time. Mediation, arbitration, and settlement conferences are all available as options to consider.

- 6. How much will a lawsuit cost me?** It is very difficult to estimate the cost of a lawsuit without specific information; however, depending on the type of matter involved, compensation arrangements may include fees charged hourly, flat fee arrangements, contingent fee arrangements, or a combination which meets the financial needs of the client. We aim to balance the costs and rewards of lawsuits and keep our clients informed of the options they have throughout the process. Please call us today to discuss your particular situation.

Please see our FAQs regarding hiring a lawyer for additional information!

Call us today to discuss what we can do for you! Phone: (727) 821-3060

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