# Quarterly Newsletter Spring 2023 Edition



### **Personal Injury Attorney**

Years of Experience Helping South Florida

Accident Victims



Welcome to our third issue, time really does fly! In our previous issue we covered upcoming local events, seasonal tips, exciting recipes for you to try and a spotlight of our employees, Chezrae Chui. If you missed the last issue, you can have a look <a href="here.">here.</a>

In this issue, we have more news on local events, seasonal tips, a new exciting recipe and you can learn more about our new employee, Andrea Narvaez and her aspirations and unique set of linguistic skills which contribute greatly to helping our clients.

Thank you for reading our newsletter, and please stay tuned for more information throughout the year.



## A word from the founding partner

In March 2023, the Florida Governor, Ron DeSantis, signed into law sweeping changes in our State's tort laws. These drastic changes will severely affect plaintiffs and their rights and ability to recover for their injuries. While we digest and adjust to the severe restrictions, we will continue, undaunted, to pursue justice and relief for our clients. We will delve more deeply into the new legislation in a later edition.

-Nerina

#### **Our Website**

Have you seen our website recently? We have been busy adding new articles and frequently asked questions (FAQs) you have.

Can Both Drivers Be at Fault In A Car Accident?
Seven Ways You Can Harm Your Car Accident Insurance Claim
How Will I Get Medical Treatment and How Will it be Paid for?
Statute of Limitations in a Personal Injury Case
And so much more.

Visit our website at smartlawpa.com to see how we can help you with your personal injury claim.

#### Safe Driving and Travel Tips For Your Road Trip

Driving during a road trip can be an exciting adventure, but prioritizing safety is important to ensure a smooth and enjoyable journey. Here are some safety tips to keep in mind when driving during a road trip:

Plan your route ahead of time: Before you start your journey, plan your route and make sure you have a good understanding of the roads and potential hazards you may encounter along the way.

Obout traffic laws: Followell traffic laws, including append limits, stop.

**Obey traffic laws**: Follow all traffic laws, including speed limits, stop signs, and traffic lights. Avoid distractions like using your phone or eating while driving.



**Keep your vehicle in good condition**: Make sure your car is well-maintained before hitting the road, including checking tire pressure, brakes, and headlights. Regularly check the oil level and fill up the gas tank when needed.

**Be prepared for emergencies**: Pack an emergency kit with essentials like water, first aid supplies, and a flashlight. Ensure you have a spare tire and the necessary tools to change a flat tire.

By following these safety tips, you can ensure a safe and enjoyable road trip experience.

#### Travel Safety Tips for Staying in AirBnb or Rental Properties:



**Research the neighborhood**: Before booking an AirBnb or rental property, research the community to ensure it's safe and has easy access to public transportation.

**Read reviews**: Read reviews from previous guests to get an idea of the property's safety, cleanliness, and other important factors. Look for reviews that specifically mention safety and security.

**Check for safety features**: Ensure the property has safety features such as smoke detectors, fire extinguishers, and first-aid kits. It's also good to check that the doors and windows lock properly.

**Communicate with the host**: Communicate with the host before your stay to ask any questions about the property and the neighborhood. You can also ask about any security measures they have in place.

**Keep valuables safe**: Store your valuables in a safe or locked closet. Don't leave them out in the open where they can be easily seen.

**Have an emergency plan**: Have a plan in place in case of an emergency, such as a fire or medical emergency. Know the location of the nearest hospital and emergency services. Following these travel safety tips can help ensure a safe and enjoyable stay in an AirBnb or rental property.

#### **Recipe Corner**

# **Cinnamon-Cranberry Oat Bars By Taste Of Home**

3 cups quick-cooking oats

1-1/2 cups Rice Krispies

1 cup dried cranberries

1/2 cup ground flaxseed

1-1/4 teaspoons ground cinnamon, divided

1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg

1/2 cup packed brown sugar

1/2 cup light corn syrup

1/4 cup canola oil

1/4 cup honey

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

1/4 teaspoon salt

2 teaspoons sugar



#### Instructions:

- 1. Combine oats, Rice Krispies, cranberries, flax, and 1 teaspoon cinnamon and nutmeg in a large bowl.
- 2. In a large saucepan, combine brown sugar, corn syrup, oil, and honey; cook and stir over medium heat until sugar is dissolved. Remove from the heat; stir in vanilla and salt.
- 3. Stir in oat mixture; toss to coat. Press firmly into a 9-in. square pan coated with cooking spray. Combine sugar and remaining cinnamon; sprinkle over bars. Cool completely. Cut into bars, and enjoy!

#### Upcoming Events in Plantation, Florida

#### Easter Egg Dyeing in the Park

Pre-registration Required. April 4, 2023 - 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Volunteer Park - 12050 W Sunrise Blvd

#### **Royal Egg Hunt**

April 8, 2023 - 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Pop Travers Field - 6250 SW 16th Street

#### **Easter Brunch Buffet**

April 9, 2023 - 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM Plantation Preserve Golf Course & Club 7050 West Broward Ave.

#### City's 70th Anniversary Celebration

April 15, 2023 - 11:00 AM - 10:00 PM Central Park - 9151 N.W. 2nd Street

#### **Earth Day Celebration**

April 22, 2023 - 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM Volunteer Park Banquet Hall 12050 W. Sunrise Blvd.

#### **Used Book Tent Sale**

April 29, 2023 - 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM Deicke Auditorium at Hoffman Park 5701 Cypress Road

#### **Employee Spotlight**

#### **Andrea Narvaez**



Andrea is the firm's newest member, but already gaining skills and knowledge. She communicates with clients to update them on their cases whenever new information becomes available and to schedule important meetings with attorney Smart. She had begun learning English when she was ten and decided that English would be an asset for her future personal and professional life.

As a Colombian, she was a foreign languages student with certifications in Canada on English Medium Instruction (IME) through an immersion program at Dalhousie University, Halifax. She is also learning French as a main university language and knows some German. She wants to use her native language and be a bridge between the firm and those who find a language barrier in their daily lives living in a foreign country, using a foreign language. They can feel comfortable as they find someone that can fully understand and help them.

Her former interpreting position included calls with insurance companies, lawyers, and hospitals. A lot of vocabulary, terms, and knowledge from that experience are being used with the firm. Andrea owns a 7-year-old schnauzer named Maggie and enjoys Mexican and Asian food and foods with great combinations of flavors and spices.

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If you've been injured through no fault of your own, you may be wondering where to turn. You could have medical bills that are increasing in an alarming manner, and you may be injured severely enough that you are unable to return to work.









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