

**QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER**

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*Years of experience helping South Florida  
accident victims*



Welcome to our Spring newsletter! As nature awakens from its winter slumber, we're thrilled to bring you the latest updates, insights, and inspirations to energize your season ahead. Thank you for taking the time to read the insights, information and tips we've put together for this quarter, let's embrace the spirit of growth and renewal together!

-Nerina

## **Verdict News**



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## **VERDICT ALERT**

The 2024 year started with a bang! We obtained a six-figure jury verdict for a soft tissue auto accident on behalf of our client JS.

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**Thank you for putting your trust with us!**

## **Our Website**

Have you seen our website recently? We have been busy adding new articles. Let us know what topics you'd like for us to cover in the future and any frequently asked questions you have. Visit our website at [smartlawpa.com](http://smartlawpa.com) to see how we can help you with your personal injury claim.

# Cyclist Safety In The Sunshine State

As Florida's roads get busier, keeping safe on two wheels is more important than ever. Here's how to ride smart and know your rights if an accident occurs:

- **Know Your Route:**

Use bike-friendly paths and lanes whenever possible. Apps like Google Maps will give you cycling-specific navigation to keep you on the safest path.

- **Gear Up:**

A helmet can save your life. Bright clothing and lights (even during the day) make you more visible to drivers.

- **Stay Alert:**

Keep an eye out for cars, especially at intersections or when you are making turns. Assume drivers haven't seen you until you make eye contact.

- **Understand the Law:**

Florida law gives cyclists the same rights and responsibilities as motorists. Knowing these can protect you in case of an incident.

- **After an Accident:**

If you're in a crash, seek medical attention first. Then, document everything and contact us. We're here to help navigate the legal side of things.



Riding a bike in Florida should be fun and freeing. Equip yourself with the right knowledge and tools, and you'll enjoy every pedal of the journey. If trouble comes, remember that we're just a call away to assist you.

## Understanding Florida's Slip-and-Fall Laws as Tourist Season Peaks

As tourist season starts to get in full swing here in Florida, slip-and-fall accidents become more common. Here's what to know about staying safe and your rights:

- **Immediate Action:**

If you fall, you should always report the incident to the property owner or manager right away. Documentation is key for any further action you might decide to take.

- **Evidence Is Everything:**

Take photos of the accident scene and your injuries. Make sure you collect contact information from any witnesses, if possible.

- **Medical Attention:**

Seek medical care immediately, even if your injuries seem minor at first. Taking this step is important for your health and any future claim.

- **Liability Matters:**

In Florida, property owners must keep their premises safe. If they fail, and you're injured as a result, they may be liable.

- **Know Your Rights:**

Understanding your legal rights is always important. Compensation might cover medical bills, lost wages, and more.

Slipping and falling isn't just painful—it can lead to serious injuries and confusion about what to do next. Remember, we're here to help guide you through the process, ensuring you're supported every step of the way.

## A Light Fare for Spring

Mango and Avocado Salad with Citrus Dressing.



### Ingredients:

- 2 ripe mangos, peeled, pitted, and diced
- 2 ripe avocados, peeled, pitted, and diced
- 1/2 red onion, finely sliced
- 1/4 cup cilantro, chopped
- 1/4 cup fresh orange juice
- 2 tablespoons fresh lime juice
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- Salt and pepper to taste
- Mixed greens or baby spinach (optional)
- 1/4 cup toasted slivered almonds or pecans (optional)

### Dressing:

- 1/4 cup fresh orange juice
- 2 tablespoons fresh lime juice
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- Salt and pepper to taste

### Instructions:

**1) Prepare the Salad Base:** In a large bowl, combine the diced mangos, avocados, and thinly sliced red onion. If you're adding mixed greens or baby spinach, mix them in with the mango, avocado, and onion.

**2) Mix the Dressing:** In a small bowl, use a whisk to blend the orange juice, lime juice, olive oil, and a pinch of salt and pepper.

**3) Combine and Serve:** Pour the dressing over the salad and toss it until the fruit and avocado are coated. Sprinkle with chopped cilantro and toasted nuts, if using, for added texture and flavor.

**4) Final Touches:** Serve immediately, or let it chill in the refrigerator for about 30 minutes to blend the flavors and serve it cool.

## Upcoming Local Events in Plantation

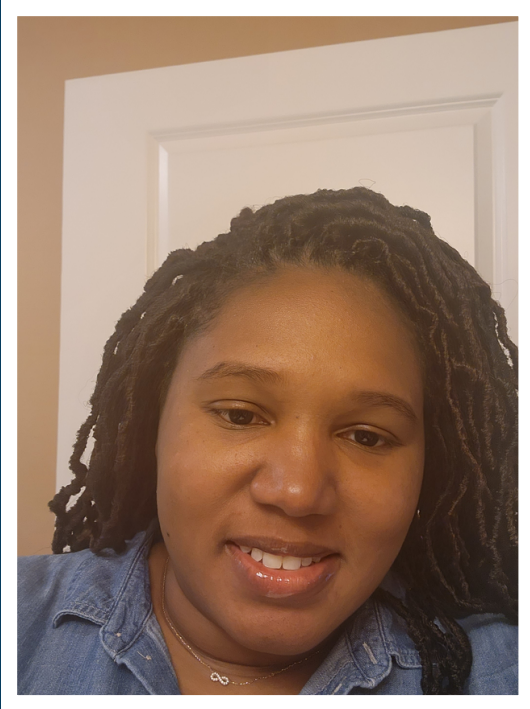
- **City of Plantation First Time Homebuyer Purchase Assistance Workshop**  
[Jim Ward Community Center](#)  
301 NW 46th Avenue | Plantation, FL  
04/24/2024 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

- **Rock the Park Free Concert Series:**  
Smocking Renegade: A Tribute to Boston and Styx  
[Pine Island Park, Plantation, FL](#)  
05/03/2024 at 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

- **Teddy Bear Picnic**  
[Helen B. Hoffman Plantation Library](#)  
501 North Fig Tree Lane | Plantation, FL  
05/04/2024 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM



## Client Spotlight : Meet Daneille Foster



When Daneille Foster found herself facing the aftermath of a car accident in 2021, she was seeking a law firm that could offer her legal expertise combined with genuine care and support. Her choice led her to our doors, driven by a glowing recommendation from a family member who had experienced our commitment firsthand.

Our team's approach, characterized by sincerity and professionalism, made all the difference during a stressful and worrying time. Daneille was grateful for the thorough and timely answers to her questions that guided her through each step with grace and understanding.

The resolution of her case didn't just bring her a financial settlement—she got the much-needed peace of mind needed. That meant she could focus on her recovery without the looming worry of medical bills. Daneille praises the team for their dedication to helping her get proper care and compensation, highlighting their quick responses and the ability to make her feel prioritized and understood. Her experience reflects our firm's core mission: to stand by our clients with empathy and resolve, guiding them toward a positive outcome.

### Contact the Law Offices Of Nerina Smart

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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