

HUNTER SHKOLNIK HELPS RUSHCARD CUSTOMERS RECEIVE \$20.5M



HUNTER SHKOLNIK is one of the plaintiffs' attorneys representing the thousands of RushCard customers who were allegedly shut out of their prepaid card accounts last October. Under the terms of the

settlement, customers will be reimbursed for all fees that were assessed by RushCard in addition to previously issued credits. Additional relief may also be possible for RushCard customers based on documentation they provide.

RushCards are issued by MetaBank and are a popular alternative tool for low-and moderate income Americans who have been declined by the banking system. A switch in payment processors that was supposed to take hours locked RushCard customers out of their accounts for more than week.

FLINT FAMILIES VISIT D.C. SUPPORT A FLINT VICTIM'S COMPENSATION FUND

NAPOLI SHKOLNIK PLLC, along with the NAACP and other attorneys, have filed a class action lawsuit in the Circuit Court in Genesee County on behalf of four families and all other people and businesses of Flint, Michigan who have been harmed by exposure to toxic levels of lead and other hazards from the city's drinking water.

The complaint alleges that Defendants Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam and Veolia North America, two engineering firms who consulted on the city's switch to Flint River water, neglected their professional duties, gave disastrously bad advice, and ignored several red flags that should have led them to suspect corrosion problems in Flint's water system.

In Congress, Napoli Shkolnik PLLC continues to work

PLAINTIFFS' EXECUTIVE STEERING COMMITTEE



WE are proud to announce that **JENNIFER LIAKOS** has been appointed to the Plaintiffs' Executive Steering Committee in the *In re Viagra (Sildenafil Citrate) Products Liability Litigation (MDL 2)* by

United States District Judge Richard Seeborg of the United States District Court of California.

"The allegations in the Viagra cases are very serious. Melanoma is the most severe type of skin cancer and often requires treatment with chemotherapy and radiation. This litigation presents a great chance to work with a group of very capable lawyers representing clients who have been seriously wronged." said Ms. Liakos.



Three families from Flint, Michigan, each with children who have been seriously impacted by lead contaminated water in Flint visited Washington D.C. to share their stories with Members of Congress and call on Congress to support a Flint Victim's Compensation Fund.

with the offices of Senators Debbie Stabenow and Gary Peters, as well as Congressman Dan Kildee, on a Victim's Compensation Fund bill that would provide much needed aid to the people of Flint. The proposed bill would provide financial relief and future healthcare guarantees.



PROTECTING YOUR CIVIL RIGHTS

BY CRAIG PHEMISTER, ESQ.

PRACTICE CHAIR, CIVIL RIGHTS

CIVIL Rights Law is an area of that law that encompasses many different categories of violations of an individual's constitutional rights. Most often we find that these violations take the following forms:

FALSE ARREST AND IMPRISONMENT

We often receive calls from clients who claim they were falsely arrested and imprisoned, even for a relatively short period of time. Often times, the officers will use the "stop and frisk" technique in an attempt to find something as probable cause to arrest and detain the person.

EXCESSIVE FORCE BY POLICE

Most commonly, we encounter cases where our client may not have immediately cooperated with an instruction to either step out of their vehicle, or stand against a wall for frisking, when suddenly, the officer (on video) becomes enraged and physically forces their will on our clients, severely injuring them in the process.

WRONGFUL CONVICTIONS

These are convictions of innocent people using either false evidence, coerced evidence, or by withholding helpful evidence that should have been turned over to the criminal defense attorney.

On the criminal side, we will work with you to prove your innocence. We will investigate, contact witnesses, locate missing or new evidence and file motions to get the new evidence in front of a judge.

Once we are able to prove your innocence and get your indictment and conviction vacated, you have a civil case for substantial money damages.

If any of your civil rights have been violated—contact us immediately. Each of the case types discussed above have limited windows of opportunity in which to file a claim.

9/11 REMEMBRANCE 15TH ANNIVERSARY

"THERE are no words to express the loss we felt and continue to feel when we pause to reflect on that day. Our ongoing commitment to honor and support those affected by the events of that day remains as strong as ever," says Paul J. Napoli, Of Counsel.

NAPOLI SHKOLNIK IN THE NEWS

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FLINT FAMILIES PRESS CONGRESS FOR LEAD COMPENSATION

BY KEITH LAING, *DETROIT NEWS*

COMMITTEE MEMBER JENNIFER LIAKOS: PFIZER SHOULD EDUCATE PHYSICIANS, CONSUMERS ABOUT VIAGRA RISKS

BY KAREN KIDD, *NORTHERN CALIFORNIA RECORD*

FAMILY OF NYC MAN IN 2005 DOUBLE MURDER CASE CHANGE ATTORNEYS

BY CHRISTINA CARREGA-WOODBY, *DAILY NEWS*

UBER, TERRAIN GLISSANT

BY STEPHANE LOIGNON, *PARISIEN MAGAZINE*

ANGRY DAILY FANTASY USERS LAY OUT CLAIMS IN MDL COMPLAINT

BY ZACHARY ZAGGER, *LAW360*

MY KID GOT SUNBURNED BECAUSE OF MISLABELED SUNSCREEN

BY ROSS TABACK, *NEW YORK POST*

A FLOOD OF NEARLY 100 FLINT CIVIL SUITS FILED AMID CRIMINAL CHARGES

BY AMANDA BRONSTAD, *THE NATIONAL LAW JOURNAL*



JUSTICE IN THE AIR, ON LAND, AT SEA, AND IN SPACE

BY PHIL PECHE, ESQ.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL (SELECT),
US MARINES RESERVE

THE Challenger launch. I remember eagerly getting the best seat in front of the TV in my classroom to watch it. I will never forget seeing the Challenger explode six feet before my eyes. Commercial space flight is right around the corner. SpaceX is close as are others. SpaceX is subject to a lawsuit in California court allegedly for taking shortcuts. I do not want to see another Challenger catastrophe.

Hot air balloons. 16 people recently lost their lives in a hot air balloon crash. Helicopter Emergency Medical Services. Several patients, pilots, and medical crews have died in four helicopter air ambulance flights within the last year. Small plane crashes. Two people recently died when their Rutan-built airplane struck powerlines near Santa Paula Airport in California. That was the third fatal wire-strike near Santa Paula within the last five years. Drones. There are over 1 million drones flying in the United States. Several drones have injured innocent bystanders and nearly caused commercial planes to crash or have significant inflight incidents.

Aircraft crashes and incidents take lives and catastrophically injury people. Getting justice for these families demands aviation, admiralty, and space law specialization as well as subject matter aviation maintenance knowledge and experience. Large firm trial, alternative dispute resolution, and appellate capabilities must accompany this particular knowledge to overcome the biggest insurers and corporations in the world ... and their endless fleet of lawyers.

Getting justice for injured people and their families. Shaping aviation and space law and regulation as it's being created. Making the world and space safer for everyone. What law firm can do this? Napoli Shkolnik PLLC can. And we do.

NAPOLI SHKOLNIK PLLC FILES CLASS ACTION AGAINST QUEST DIAGNOSTICS AND EXAMONE



THE firm filed a class action lawsuit in the Southern District of New York on behalf of lead plaintiff and New York County resident Maria Vecchio, and on behalf of all others similarly situated, against Quest Diagnostics Inc., ExamOne World Wide Inc., and ExamOne LLC. Napoli Shkolnik is also seeking to represent other current and former Mobile Examiners who worked for Quest and affiliated Quest entities across the country.

Our lawsuit alleges the following violations:

- Not paying overtime wages;
- Not paying New York and federal minimum wage;
- Not providing employees proper wage statements (pay stubs); and
- Not reimbursing business expenses.

We believe that Quest and its subsidiaries have violated state and federal labor laws. Ms. Vecchio is possibly one of thousands of New York and national employees who work or worked for Quest as Mobile Examiners and were not paid in accordance with federal and state law. This action is presented as an opt-in collective action on behalf of herself and all similarly affected individuals for violations of the federal Fair Labor Standards Act, as well as a class action for Quest's violations of state labor law.

If you worked for Quest as a Mobile Examiner within the past 6 years, and you believe your rights were violated as described above or in any other way, we encourage you to contact us.



KEEPING YOU INFORMED

WE CAN HELP

IVC FILTER (INFERIOR VENA CAVA FILTER)

An IVC Filter is a spider-like wire device that is implanted in the largest vein in the body to catch blood clots before they get into the lungs. If the temporary filters are not removed, they can fracture, migrate, perforate internal organs and cause life-threatening side effects.

ONGLYZA

This medication is prescribed in the treatment of type II diabetes. Unfortunately patients who take Onglyza are at an increased risk for heart failure, cardiac arrest, congestive heart failure or death.

PROTON PUMP INHIBITOR (PPI)

Prilosec, Nexium and Prevacid are common proton pump inhibitors that are prescribed for heartburn and acid reflux disease. However, long-term use of these PPI's are associated with serious side effects, including chronic kidney failure and disease.

TRANSVAGINAL MESH (TVM)

This surgical device implanted in women with pelvic organ prolapse (POP) or stress urinary incontinence (SUI) to strengthen weak or damaged tissue. Women with TVM may experience infections, bleeding, scarring, and may need additional surgeries to correct the original implantation.

NFL - NCAA CONCUSSIONS

Napoli Shkolnik PLLC attorney Dana Whitfield along with her father, Collegiate Hall of Famer and Professional Football Player A.B. Whitfield are working to bring awareness and compensation to the NFL and NCAA football players who suffer from concussion injuries. Legal actions have been filed alleging that these athletes were not properly educated about the dangers of head injuries. As a result, qualified players may be entitled to compensation from the nearly \$1 billion Concussion Injury Settlement.

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BAIR HUGGER WARMING BLANKET

The use of these devices (to keep patients warm during surgery) has been linked to the spread of bacteria, leading to infection which could result in revision surgery or permanent disability.

VIAGRA (SILDENAFIL CITRATE)

This medication is most commonly known for treating erectile dysfunction in men. Unfortunately it has also been linked to many serious side effects, including an increased risk of developing melanoma, a life-threatening cancer.

TALCUM POWDER

There is a possible link between using talcum powder and ovarian cancer. The American Cancer Society also suggests this connection on their web site.