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How Soon After My Accident Should I Hire a Chicago or Lake County, Illinois Personal Injury Lawyer?

You should consult with an [experienced attorney](#) right away if you have suffered a personal injury in a car accident. If you do not hire an attorney, then you will be representing yourself. As the great president from Illinois, Abraham Lincoln, once said, "he who represents himself has a fool for a client." There are several reasons why Lincoln's famous quote is still applicable to today's world in personal injury cases.

First and foremost, the attorney's fee in most personal injury cases is non-existent since the fee is "contingent" on the outcome of the case. We only get paid if you get paid and anything you would have to pay you would have to pay anyways. It has also been PROVEN that the vast majority of those suffering from a personal injury will receive a higher award if they are represented by counsel then if they were not, even after the attorney takes out his or her fee. You are also more likely to get a settlement faster the sooner you hire an attorney in your case. It is in YOUR best interest to hire an experienced attorney as soon as possible following a car accident.

Second, insurance companies record almost everything you say to them over the phone. The insurance companies use these recorded statements against you. Even if you haven't said anything that might hurt your case, you could forget what you told them and, after several years of litigation, they might still find a way to use that statement against you. It is also likely that you may not fully understand why telling the insurance company something unimportant might reduce your settlement amount. We do and we will protect your rights.

Third, you may not know all the nuances and details of Illinois personal injury law and might not be familiar with a very experienced insurance claims adjuster whose job is to make sure

you get very little money. [Shunneson Law Office](#) has the experience, knowledge, and skill to guide you through your personal injury claim and can help you avoid making a mistake. Fourth, we utilize our knowledge, experience and skill to help guide you through the complex world of personal injury law. Time and again it has been shown that when companies have the choice between helping humanity and making a profit, they choose profit. We're here to make sure that doesn't happen to you and that you get a fair settlement. We will help you prove that you are injured, and that you deserve compensation for your injuries. We will make sure the insurance companies do not take advantage of your situation and protect your rights.

If you, or a loved one, has been injured, then you need information about your rights. At [Shunneson Law Office](#), I am devoted to demanding an at-fault party's insurance company cover injuries following accidents. Call (847) 693-9120 for more information or [contact us](#) to schedule a consultation. Located in Lake County, Illinois, with meeting locations throughout Chicago, we have ability to meet with you at any convenient Chicagoland location from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday. However, evening and weekend appointments are available upon request by calling 847.693.9120.

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