Should I give a recorded statement?

You might be required to give a recorded statement to your own insurance company.

You should *never* give a recorded statement to the other insurance company, unless you are absolutely positive that

- (1) you aren't going to sue,
- (2) you aren't going to hire a lawyer, and
- (3) you're going to take whatever offer you get.

The truth is that recorded statements cannot help you; they can only be used against you. We mean this quite literally: The Rules of Evidence usually only allow an injured person's recorded statement to be used to contradict things that the injured person says at trial.