

# Wrongful Death Lawsuit Filed Over Bicycle Accident

A bicyclist in Georgia was killed in 2008 while heading out for his morning bicycle ride. According to reporting in the Telegraph, the survivor of that bicyclist has filed a wrongful death lawsuit over the incident. The lawsuit alleges that the driver who struck the bicyclist failed to observe the roadway and failed to yield the right-of-way to the bicyclist.

## Bicycles and Cars

Unfortunately, bicyclists are oftentimes the victims of negligent drivers. Drivers sometimes fail to give bicyclists adequate room and, in situations where they feel like they are being held up by the bicyclist, the drivers may become angry and start driving recklessly in proximity to the bicyclist. Of course, in these situations, the bicyclist is at a disadvantage, as their vehicle offers them no protection against being hit by a car.

A bicyclist on the road has the same rights as a car. In fact, if it's the safest way to make a turn, a bicyclist can enter a regular lane of traffic to make a left turn or to execute another maneuver that may be necessary for them to get on their way. Motor vehicle drivers are obligated to respect bicyclists when they are on the roads.

That being said, one should never be so foolish as to think that their legal rights are going to overcome the laws of physics. When you are on the roads on a bicycle, you have to be very wary for drivers who are not paying attention. Some of these drivers may not even see you. Wearing high visibility clothing is a good solution to this. You should also have a light on your bicycle and, contrary to what most people may realize, turning that white on during the day really does a lot to increase your visibility to motorists.

## Standing Up for Your Rights

If you have been involved in an accident involving a vehicle while you were on a bicycle, or if you have lost a loved one due to a negligent motorist striking them when they were on a bicycle, you should consider filing a lawsuit. [Wrongful death litigation](#) can potentially provide your family with enough money to make up for the financial hardships that come after the loss of a loved one and the other agonies that you have been put through. If you were injured but were fortunate enough to survive, filing a lawsuit may give you enough compensation to pay for the injuries and other expenses.

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