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Migraine Headaches and Social Security Disability (www.migrainedisability.net)

For many people today, migraine headaches can be a painfully, debilitating experience that renders them immobile. These headaches are oftentimes accompanied by other physical discomforts such as nausea, sensitivity to light, and vomiting. Additionally, most people that endure these headaches will tell you that the throbbing they experience only occurs on one side of their heads. The bottom line is that Migraine headaches are very real, and for the individual that suffers with them, the headache can interrupt all functions of their daily lives, including their ability to work and earn a living.

Where disability issues are concerned, migraines are an “invisible” disease. However, you still have legal rights under certain legislation such as the Americans with Disabilities Act or the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA). As with any other type of disabling condition, migraines do not make life easy for the sufferer. Family members and friends typically feel helpless as they watch the person suffer and can't do anything to help them. But the stigma of the migraine sufferer in the workplace is oftentimes misconstrued.

Fellow employees who do not understand migraines or have never suffered with them typically have a false impression of the victim. They don't understand why they miss work on a frequent basis, why they are often seen taking medicines, why their speech gets slurred sometimes, why they make numerous trips to the restroom, or why they wear sunglasses while working. Sadly, these fellow employees assume that the person suffering with migraine headaches is either a “slacker” or has an alcohol or drug abuse problem.

Even in the most ideal employment conditions, the emotional effects, as well as the intense pain and other side effects, is a disabling experience. In many cases, the headaches occur with such intensity and regularity that it becomes impossible for the individual to work at their jobs. Additionally, it is not uncommon to witness the onset of depression and even behavioral disorders which compound the migraine sufferer's condition.

Even though the individual may experience some relief via prescribed medication, they may eventually be labeled as an “undependable” worker by their employer based on their frequent absenteeism. Inevitably, those whose migraine condition is chronic will never be able to keep a job and earn a living. Unfortunately, there are never any easy answers.

Ultimately it is a disabling condition which has become recognized within the medical field.

If this is the case, it is time to consider applying for SSDI benefits. This is also where the hiring of an experienced and qualified attorney can play the most significant role in you proving your case and winning those SSDI benefits. For more on the topic of Migraine Headaches and Social Security Disability, please refer to the following website:

www.migrainedisability.net