Identifying Products Liability Issues in Motor Vehicle Accidents

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Types of Claims

- Design Defects
- Manufacturing Defects
- Failure to Warn
- Breach of Warranty

Identifying Products Liability Cases

- Minor Collision, Catastrophic Injury
- Multiple Victims, But Only One Seriously Injured
- Restrained Occupants Seriously Injured or Ejected

Types of Defects

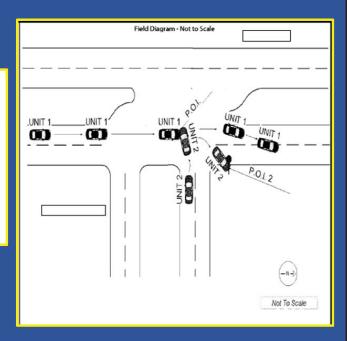
- Defective Airbags
- Crashworthiness
- Defective Seatbacks
- Defective Restraint System

Case Study 1: Defective Airbag

Factual Background

Investigator's Narrative Opinion of What Happened (Attach Additional Sheets if Necessary)

UNIT 1 WAS TRAVELLING NORTHBOUND ON ______ IN THE LEFT LANE. UNIT 2 WAS ATTEMPTING TO ENTER THE INTERSECTION BY MAKING A LEFT HAND TURN FROM ______ UNIT 1 STRUCK THE FRONT LEFT QUARTER PANEL OF UNIT 2 CAUSING UNIT 2 TO SPIN AND STRIKE A STREET/STOP SIGN AT THE NORTH CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION. UNIT 1 CONTINUED TRAVELLING NORTH STRIKING THE LEFT CURB OF _____ AND STOPPING IN THE MIDDLE OF BOTH NORTHBOUND LANES. DRIVER OF UNIT 1 WAS TRANSPORTED FOR A MEDIUM LACERATION TO THE RIGHT CHEST.



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