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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We Help You Fight Life's Legal Battles with Compassion and Care!

- Social Security Disability
- Long-Term Disability
- Personal Injury
- Car Accidents
- Divorce and Child Custody

Reminder About Our Firm's COMMUNICATION POLICY

Our promise to you is that while we are working on YOUR case – we are WORKING on YOUR case. And this goes for each and every one of our clients. This means that our focus and attention are squarely on your case and not anything else. Because of this, Loyd Bourgeois DOES NOT take unscheduled phone calls, emails or walk-ins. This makes all of us more productive, efficient and knowledgeable about YOUR case. It may help get your issue resolved faster. You can always call the office at (985) 240-9773 and schedule a phone appointment or inperson visit.

DISCLAIMER: This publication is intended to educate our clients, referral sources and others in our network about disability denials and disabiling personal injury claims. This is not intended to be legal advice. Each case is different. You can pass this information along to your family and friends as long as the newsletter is copied in its entirety.

When I go out in my car, I don't think twice But if you're the wrong color skin You grow up looking over both your shoulders In the land of the free How many killings must one man watch in his home Until he sees the price on the tag? 8 measured minutes and 46 seconds

> Another stain on the flag Land of the free, land of the free In the land of the free

Move on, there's nothing to see In the land of the free

Father in heaven, hear our plea Father in heaven, help us see How to lose our hatred And gain your favor How to break these cycles And change our nature That we may walk underneath your banner In the land of the free

In the land of the free There's room for you and for me In the land of the free

Excerpts from "The Land of the Free" (2020 version) by The Killers

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DENNIS' JAMBALAYA PASTA

LJB's Cookin' Corner

Recently, my backyard neighbor and I were talking over the fence. (Think Wilson from "Home Improvement," because that's how you have to do it during quarantine.)

He mentioned enjoying our newsletter and always trying out the recipes. I let him know that I was open to new recipes any time. A week later, I got this recipe and a pan of delicious Jambalaya Pasta passed across the fence. Thank you, Dennis! We are truly blessed with some amazing neighbors.

If you'd like to submit a recipe but aren't in fence-passing distance, send us an email at info@ljblegal.com.

INGREDIENTS

- 4 tbsp salted butter
- 2 boneless chicken breasts, cut into pieces
- 80z andouille sausage, cubed
- 80z smoked sausage, cubed
- I bell pepper, sliced
- I onion, sliced
- + $\frac{1}{2}$ cup green onions, sliced
- I tbsp Tony Chachere's Original Creole seasoning
- 902 Heinz Homestyle Savory Beef Gravy
- 120z Bertolli Vineyard Marinara with Merlot Wine
- 1602 Penne Pasta

DIRECTIONS

- I. Boil pasta according to directions and set aside.
- 2. In a pre-heated skillet on medium-high, add butter

To Do List ... Jambalaya Sausage Marthapa ward Merlo

and the cubed sausage.

- 3. Sauté for 2 minutes and remove sausage.
- 4. Add chicken pieces to skillet and sauté for 3 minutes.
- 5. Add bell pepper, onion and green onions. Sauté a few minutes until soft.
- 6. Add sausage back into skillet.
- 7. Add gravy and marinara. Bring to a boil and cook for IO minutes covered on medium
- 8. Turn off fire.
- 9. Add pasta. Mix well and let sit to cool for a few minutes.
- 10. Enjoy!

Thanks for your recent referrals!

Ron Dantin, LPC Tim Benedetto (attorney) Chip Morrison (attorney) Rhonda Phillips Noemi Moore Amanda Polkey Shanice Joseph J.L.L. Bernard Mayeux Kurt Bellow Eric Oliver Person, Attorney



GET OUR BOOKS!

I'm excited to introduce to my newsletter readers this new resource for anyone injured in a car accident. I created this workbook for you to document all of the evidence you need to obtain a fair settlement after getting hurt in a wreck. Things you may forget with time, like the accident details, progression of pain and symptoms, history of missed work and wages, and more. If you'd like a copy of this resource, give our office at call at 985-240-9773. We'd be happy to send you one.



Carel Dufrene is one of the best things to ever happen in my life. He has been a steady and consistent role model since day one. He has shown me what it takes to be a man and a dad. He has always been there for my family, usually with a bit a humor and a great meal. Happy Father's Day to the best!

WRONGFUL DEATH CASE CONTINUED...

have "the government validate their relationship." She wanted to know if she had a wrongful death case.

The U.S. Census reports about twice as many people live in a long-term relationship than did so IO years ago, and they expect the numbers to continue rising. Stacy's question brings up an interesting point worth considering for all long-term unmarried couples.

Louisiana law contains specific provisions for wrongful death cases. This provision specifies very clearly the classes of people entitled to bring a lawsuit for wrongful death.

The classes are:

- I. Spouse and/or children.
- 2. If no spouse and/or children, parents.
- If no spouse, children and/or parents, surviving siblings.
- 4. If no spouse, children, parents

and/or siblings, surviving grandparents.

In addition to the above people, in a survival action – which is a case brought to recover the damages of the deceased person – if none of the prior people survive or exist, a succession representative may bring a claim. Which opens up another can of worms...

For Stacy, unfortunately, Mike's parents were still living. Although they did not have the best relationship with Mike over the past IO years, under Louisiana law, they were the only people who could recover for the loss of Mike.

This was truly a heartbreaking conversation to have, and answer to give, to a loved one.

*Names fictionalized.

REVIEW ROUNDUP

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"Loyd is great; he truly cares about his clients! Unlike most other attorneys, he has great communication and is easy to get in touch with!"

> - Michael LeBourgeois, Gulf Coast Sport and Spine

Loyd's response – Thanks Dr. Mike.

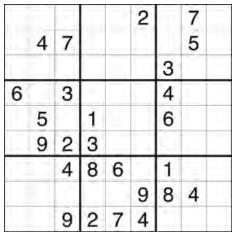
Dr. Mike is a chiropractor used to working with attorneys, so he knows firsthand the difficulty he and his patients face with many other attorneys.

Having him comment on our commitment to staying in touch with our clients and their care providers really means a lot to us.

I would also like to introduce you to Dr. Mike's clinic — Gulf Coast Sport and Spine.

His office is located in the heart of Metairie, on Doctor's Row near East Jefferson Hospital. He can be reached at (504) 372-4062 or www.gcsportandspine.com.

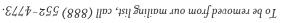
FUN STUFF: SUDOKU



Find the answer key on page 4. (It's upside-down!)

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lived together for 16 years, although they never married. They never had children, and both had large friend groups but no real family, as they were from out of state. Together they built a great life and never felt the need to



My fiancé was killed in a crash. Do I have a wrongful death case?

Stacy*, the long-term girlfriend (fiancé) of Mike*, called and asked this very question. Mike was killed in a car crash a few weeks prior, and she wanted to know what she could do to hold the other driver accountable for texting and driving. Stacy's story was very sad and tragic. She and Mike had