

For over 30 years, WKW has represented persons injured by others. We combine an experienced team of professionals with the latest in technology to aggressively pursue compensation for our clients.

- PERSONAL INJURIES
- BRAIN INJURIES
- SPINAL CORD INJURIES
- MEDICAL MALPRACTICE
- WRONGFUL DEATH
- AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENTS
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- **BIRTH INJURIES**
- PRODUCTS LIABILITY

- DEFECTIVE MEDICAL DEVICES
- DEFECTIVE PHARMACEUTICALS
- INSURANCE BAD FAITH
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- FIRES AND EXPLOSIONS
- BURN INJURIES
- CONSTRUCTION ACCIDENTS
- BOATING ACCIDENTS
- ANIMAL BITES
- BICYCLE ACCIDENTS

Our law firm focuses on cases where serious injury or substantial financial damage is suffered due to others' misconduct, including brain and spinal cord injuries, medical malpractice, vehicle accidents, aviation disasters, defective products, fires, explosions and unfair denial of claims by insurance companies. We demonstrate unwavering commitment to the needs of our clients both during and after a case. Restoring lives is our mission — from rehabilitation to securing your future, WKW will be with you every step of the way.

The late Harry Wilson and partners Bruce Kehoe and Bill Winingham founded WKW on the principle *do whatever it takes*. Supported by a talented staff of associate attorneys, paralegals and legal research clerks — as well as a legal nurse consultant — our lawyers utilize a multidisciplinary approach to aggressively pursue cases. Our success in representing clients in some of Indiana's most high profile injury cases has earned us widespread professional recognition.

We are known for making effective use of demonstrative evidence to show a jury how an accident happened. Sophisticated computer graphics provide a realistic portrayal of the physical and emotional trauma of an accident. From reenacting a scene to animating medical illustrations, we vividly demonstrate an injury or accident.

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Other attorneys frequently refer cases to us because of our depth of litigation experience and success in courts throughout the country. We combine an experienced team of professionals with technology to help each of our clients. Staff members are ready to react as quickly as necessary in order to preserve evidence which will aid in a client's case.

Wilson Kehoe Winingham has earned an AV rating — the highest rating available — from Martindale-Hubbell, a recognized law firm rating service. Both Bruce and Bill have been awarded Trial Lawyer of the Year by the Indiana Trial Lawyers Association, and have been identified as Super Lawyers for eight consecutive years. Additionally, both partners have been included in *Best Lawyers in America*.

A few moments can change everything, and we understand the challenges you face. Contact WKW and let your recovery begin.



## D. Bruce Kehoe, Attorney

#### Education

- J.D., Indiana University–Robert H. McKinney School of Law
- B.S., Physical Therapy, Indiana University School of Medicine

#### **Professional Memberships**

- Indiana State Bar Association
- Indianapolis Bar Association
- American Bar Association
- American College of Trial Lawyers
- Indiana Trial Lawyers Association
- American Association for Justice
- American Bar Foundation

#### Awards and Affiliations

- Named Best Lawyers' Indianapolis Product Liability Lawyer of the Year (2014)
- Featured in Parenting Magazine's Top Birth Injury Advocates special section (2013)
- Past President, Indiana Trial Lawyers Association (2009)
- Board Member, Indiana Trial Lawyers Association (since 1990)
- Sustaining Member, American Association for Justice
- Top Ten Indiana Super Lawyer (since 2008)
- Top Fifty Indiana Super Lawyer (2005-2007)
- Listed in Best Lawyers (since 1999)
- Indiana Trial Lawyer of the Year (2001), Indiana Trial Lawyers Association
- Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers
- AV Rated, Martindale-Hubbell
- Instructor for NITA Trial Skills seminar
- Author and Lecturer for ITLA, PESI and ICLEF seminars

#### About Bruce

For more than 30 years, Bruce has been representing clients who have suffered serious injuries and life changing damages due to the negligence of others. Plaintiff Law has not only grown to be his calling, but his passion. Prior to practicing law, Bruce began his professional career as a registered



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physical therapist, tending to the rehabilitation struggles of the seriously injured. He decided to further his educational career by attending law school where he soon discovered a way to combine his medical training with his growing knowledge of the law.

While in law school, Bruce was hired as a law clerk at Wilson Tabor & Holland, a personal injury firm, where he discovered that his experience in the medical field gave him a unique perspective on the lives of seriously injured individuals. Mentored and inspired by firm partner Harry Wilson, Bruce and Harry formed their own firm in 1982 and continued serving injured clients. Bruce has handled many notable cases in Indiana and throughout the country over his career. While medical-legal issues — specifically those related to medical malpractice — have been a focus of his practice, Bruce is equally familiar with all areas of negligence law, including aviation and product liability.

Bruce has long been recognized as one of the leading medical malpractice attorneys in Indiana. His extensive litigation experience in obstetrical and birth trauma cases, in particular, has made him a coveted attorney by potential clients and referring attorneys alike. He has litigated well over 40 birth related cases, including several where the child sustained severe brain damage and neurological trauma. Bruce also successfully represented multiple clients who suffered related muscle deterioration and kidney dysfunction injuries from Baycol, a cholesterol lowering drug.

Bruce additionally pursues aviation litigation in state and federal courts across the United States and, interestingly, his love of flight led him to become a licensed pilot. He has been successful in representing multiple families of aviation disasters with claims involving deficiencies in piloting, air traffic control and product defects. Bruce owns and operates a Cirrus SR22 GT aircraft.

WKW frequently employs cutting edge tools and technology to assure the best outcome for their clients. Bruce recently concluded a wrongful death case where the issue of driver distraction was central. Not only did he acquire an exemplar vehicle to have a recreation coordinated by an accident reconstructionist and human factors engineer, he additionally proved driver distraction by utilizing a forensic download of the defendant's stored iPhone data.

Bruce is actively involved in the Indiana Trial Lawyers Association, furthering the profession by speaking to other personal injury lawyers and sharing his extensive knowledge and experience. He has been on the Board of the Indiana Trial Lawyers Association for more than 20 years and served a term as president in 2009-2010.

Bruce and his wife, Sherri, have four children and two grandchildren. They enjoy biking, boating, swimming, traveling and spending time with their family.

## William Winingham, Attorney

#### Education

- J.D., Indiana University–Robert H. McKinney School of Law
- A.B., Biological Sciences, Indiana University–Bloomington

#### **Professional Memberships**

- American College of Trial Lawyers
- Indiana Trial Lawyers Association
- Indiana State Bar Association
- Indianapolis Bar Association
- American Association of Justice
- American Bar Association

#### Awards and Affiliations

- Corporate INTL Magazine Global Award: Personal Injury Attorney of the Year in Indiana (2014)
- Named Best Lawyers' Indianapolis Product Liability Lawyer of the Year (2010, 2012)
- Listed in Best Lawyers (since 2001)
- Indiana Super Lawyer (since 2002)
- Top Ten Indiana Super Lawyer (2010)
- Indiana Trial Lawyer of the Year (2002), Indiana Trial Lawyers Association
- · Board member, Indiana Trial Lawyers Association
- Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers
- Board member, Indianapolis Bar Association
- Immediate past Board Chairman, Rehabilitation Hospital of Indiana Foundation
- Past member, Indiana Judicial Nominating Commission
- · Former assistant U.S. attorney and deputy prosecutor

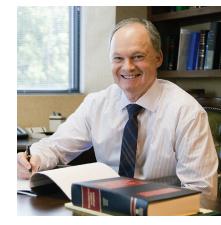
#### About Bill

Bill has been a partner at WKW for more than 20 years. Before joining the firm, he was both a state court and federal prosecutor. He has devoted his entire legal career to helping persons injured by others. His practice focuses on truck and automobile accidents, defective products, brain and spinal cord injuries, wrongful death, bad faith claims against insurance companies, fires and explosions.



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Bill has handled several of Indiana's high profile cases, including representing the widow of a spectator killed at the Indianapolis 500 when a wheel came off one of the cars and struck the man. To establish liability and settle the case in federal court at a pretrial conference, depositions were taken throughout the United States and in Europe.

Bill was also retained by a family when a gas explosion at Fort Harrison killed and injured several persons. He led a group of attorneys who conducted extensive investigations to pinpoint the reasons for the explosion, prompting settlement at mediation.

And when Firestone tires failed and caused SUVs to roll over, Bill was appointed by a federal judge to be liaison counsel for plaintiffs in a nationwide, multi-district litigation which was based in Indianapolis. He was on the Plaintiffs' Executive Committee and coordinated litigation with hundreds of attorneys across the country.

Several of Bill's cases have resulted in new law being created by the Indiana Supreme Court that benefits injured persons in Indiana. For example, the procedure in Indiana used to be that the amount of a settlement with one defendant would then reduce the verdict against a trial defendant in the same case. Bill argued the issue to the Indiana Supreme Court, who ruled in Bill's favor that when an injured person settles a case with one defendant, the amount of the settlement does not affect the verdict against other trial defendants.

In a second illustration, after Bill obtained a large verdict against an insurance company for its bad faith in not paying a claim, the Court of Appeals rejected the verdict by ruling that since there were factual disputes in the case, the insurance company could not be guilty of bad faith. Bill transferred the case to the Indiana Supreme Court, who reversed the Court of Appeals and held that a jury could still award damages for the bad faith of an insurance company even if there was an argument in the case about the true facts of the matter. These rulings make the courts more accessible to all citizens of Indiana who have been wronged by others.

Bill currently serves as a member of the Indiana Judicial Nominating Commission (JNC) and the Indiana Commission on Judicial Qualifications after being elected by attorneys in the Second District of the Indiana Court of Appeals. He is the immediate past Board Chairman of the Rehabilitation Hospital of Indiana Foundation (RHI), having come to support RHI through several clients who suffered from traumatic brain and spinal cord injuries.

Bill's wife, Maureen, is a mental health therapist. They have four children who are either in college or are college graduates. The couple enjoys playing tennis, golf and traveling.

## Chris Stevenson, Attorney

#### Education

- J.D., Indiana University–Robert H. McKinney School of Law
- B.S., Aviation Flight Technology, Purdue University

#### **Professional Memberships**

- Indiana State Bar Association
- Indianapolis Bar Association
- Barrister, American Inns of Court
- Indiana Trial Lawyers Association
- American Association of Justice

#### Awards and Affiliations

- Former flight crew member of Boeing 727 aircraft and Purdue University flight instructor
- 2009 recipient of American Inns of Court Outstanding Legal Education Program
- Indiana Super Lawyers Rising Star (since 2010)
- Contributor, Indiana Trial Lawyers Association's Verdict magazine

#### About Chris

After graduating from Purdue University's flight program in 1996, Chris began his professional career as a commercial pilot on a Boeing 727 aircraft. He was also a Purdue University flight instructor before graduating in 2003 from Indiana University–Robert H. McKinney School of Law. Today, as an associate attorney at Wilson Kehoe Winingham, Chris now focuses his efforts on the firm's aviation and product liability case load, applying his technical and engineering background as an invaluable resource in litigation. Along with WKW partner Bruce Kehoe, he jointly operates the firm's private aircraft to conveniently reach clients outside of Indianapolis.

In 2009, Chris was the recipient of the American Inns of Court Outstanding Legal Education Program Award. He has been named an Indiana Super Lawyers Rising Star since 2010. Once an editor for the Indiana Law Review, Chris has more recently had articles published in *Verdict*, a quarterly publication of the Indiana Trial Lawyers Association.

Chris enjoys supporting the local community. He's involved with middle schools as a part of Challenge Day, and lends time to the Indianapolis Latino community, providing legal services to Spanish speaking individuals. Chris lives on a farm in Clarks Hill with his wife and five sons.



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## Jon Noyes, Attorney

#### Education

- J.D., Indiana University–Robert H. McKinney School of Law, *cum laude*
- B.A., Political Science, Millikin University

#### **Professional Memberships**

- Indiana State Bar Association
- Indianapolis Bar Association
- American Bar Association
- The American Association for Justice
- Indiana Trial Lawyers Association

#### Awards and Affiliations

- Order of the Barristers, Honorable Robert H. Staton Moot Court Competition (2012)
- Indiana Law Review

#### About Jon

Jon Noyes earned his J.D., *cum laude*, from Indiana University–Robert H. McKinney School of Law in 2013. Prior to moving to Indianapolis, he graduated with departmental honors from Millikin University in Decatur, Illinois, with a degree in political science.

While in law school, Jon interned for the United States District Court for the Southern District of Indiana and the Indiana Supreme Court. There, he worked with complex legal issues and gained valuable practical experience in the legal community. Jon became a law clerk at WKW in May 2012 as a rising 3L. While clerking for WKW, he spent most of his time supporting WKW attorneys in litigating bad faith insurance and wrongful death cases. During that time, he was also a member of Indiana Law Review and Moot Court, where he was inducted into the Order of the Barristers.

After graduating from the IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law in 2013 and passing the bar, Jon was offered an associate attorney position with WKW, which gave him the opportunity to fight for individuals who have been injured by others. His practice focuses on general tort cases, specifically those that may have coverage issues or will require some motion work.

Jon volunteers as a tutor for School on Wheels. In his free time, he enjoys murder mystery dinners, biking, jogging, cooking and kayaking/canoeing.



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## Brain and Spinal Cord Injuries

# Traumatic brain and spinal cord injuries are among the most painful and costly injuries one can endure.

For over 30 years, brain and spinal cord injuries has been one of our primary areas of practice. In addition to experienced trial lawyers, our resources include a legal nurse consultant. Through knowledge, research and analysis, we come to thoroughly understand the nature of an injury as well as the medical and legal issues it presents, including treatment and rehabilitation, insurance coverage, medical bill payment and recovery of damages.

A traumatic brain injury (TBI) usually takes the form of a blow or jolt to the head which can permanently disrupt brain function. Tissue damage can occur from the head simply being whipped back and forth, causing the brain to move within the skull. The severity of a TBI can range from a mild concussion to the extremes of a coma or death, while long term consequences may result in personality changes, severe depression, lowered intellectual ability, and difficulty making a living. These injuries often result from vehicle collisions, construction accidents, dangerous products and medical malpractice.

A spinal cord injury can result from a traumatic blow to the spine that fractures, compresses or dislocates one or more vertebrae. A spinal cord injury can be defined as complete (resulting in total loss of function below the point of injury) or incomplete (leaving some degree of sensation and control intact). Additional symptoms such as pain or sensitivity to stimuli, muscle spasms, bowel and bladder problems, and sexual dysfunction may also develop. Special equipment and accommodations may become necessary for day-to-day living.

To obtain maximum compensation for clients, our firm seeks counsel from vocational consultants and medical experts to project future loss of earnings and medical expenses. We work regularly with neuropsychologists and spine surgeons, some of whom we have met through our support of the Rehabilitation Hospital of Indiana, focused on treatment of persons with traumatic brain injury and spinal cord injury. Our firm has been an active supporter of the Dr. Lisa Thompson Center for Family Education at RHI, which helps the families of brain damaged individuals understand and cope with the long term consequences of TBI. For many years our lawyers have chaired or been on the Board of the RHI foundation. WKW is qualified, competent and ready to help *you*.



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## **Medical Malpractice**

Medical malpractice claims stem from the failure of a healthcare provider to provide a level of care that meets the accepted standards of practice for their profession, resulting in the injury or death of a patient.

A healthcare provider may be a doctor, nurse, psychiatrist, dentist, podiatrist, hospital or any other medical professional involved in the diagnosis or treatment of a patient. The amount of money obtained as compensation is controlled by Indiana's unusual and challenging medical malpractice legal system.

Medical malpractice cases present a unique set of challenges that require a comprehensive understanding of both legal and medical issues. In addition to experienced trial lawyers, our resources include a legal nurse consultant and a lawyer who is a former physical therapist. We employ this unusual combination of talent to thoroughly examine each case from both a legal and medical perspective. Laws controlling the pursuit of medical malpractice cases vary among states, so it is important to retain an attorney who is familiar with the specifics of medical malpractice law in Indiana.

#### Medical malpractice cases typically arise from:

- Obstetric/labor and delivery errors
- Missed or delayed diagnoses
- Anesthesia errors
- Surgical errors
- Improperly prescribed or dispensed medication
- Patient neglect
- Lack of informed consent

Injuries suffered as a result of medical malpractice can be severe and life-altering. Our team of experienced professionals applies expert knowledge from both the legal and medical disciplines to obtain maximum compensation for clients. WKW is qualified, competent and ready to help *you*.



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## **Trucking and Vehicle Accidents**

## A large truck or semi-tractor trailer can outweigh a passenger automobile by several tons. As such, there is a significantly higher probability of serious injury or death in accidents involving big rigs.

Serious truck accidents can result in catastrophic injury or death for drivers and passengers of the involved car, small truck, SUV or motorcycle. Tight deadlines, driver fatigue, heavy cargo and poor weather conditions are all factors that can contribute to large truck accidents, and these factors can be compounded by the presence of hazardous cargo (such as flammable liquids or toxic substances). Consequently, there are regulations defined by state and local governments that require commercial carriers to maintain equipment and records, as well as limit the number of hours drivers operate. Efficient discovery and research is imperative during litigation to obtain the operational and maintenance records kept by the trucking company.

Injuries suffered from trucking accidents — broken bones, damage to internal organs, spinal cord or brain injuries, and so forth — can require extensive medical care and rehabilitation. The ability to recover damages may hinge on the ability to show that the driver or carrier exercised some form of negligence or failed to follow proper guidelines.

We have a wealth of experience in accidents involving large trucks and semi-tractor trailers. To fully understand how an accident occurred, we oftentimes hire an engineer to reconstruct an accident scene, as well as perform skid and visibility tests to determine why the truck did not stop in time to avoid a crash. Furthermore, our professional team travels nationwide to uncover evidence to show why the trucking company was negligent. It is critical to retain an attorney who is familiar with Indiana laws and regulations concerning large trucks in order to obtain maximum recovery of damages. WKW is qualified, competent and ready to help *you*.

Our firm represents clients injured in crashes involving automobiles, trucks of all sizes, motorcycles, ATV's, and bicycles. Some of these injuries are caused by the carelessness of a driver. Others are caused by defective and dangerous products, such as weak roofs that fail to protect occupants, rollover of SUV's, tire failure, seat belts that fail, airbags which malfunction, and fuel systems that allow fuel to leak after a collision, causing fire and severe burns.



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