

# QUESTIONS TO ASK when HIRING AN ATTORNEY



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Motor vehicle accidents. Defective products. Slip and falls. Dangerous drugs.

All of the above can cause serious injuries to individuals, prompting a significant need for legal representation to secure compensation from the negligent party. This is a big decision and you want to ensure you have someone you can trust to help you during this difficult time.

When you have a need to hire a personal injury attorney, you want to ask specific questions to ensure you're hiring the right person. Be sure to take this eBook with you and ask the questions we provide. Getting these answers can help you understand whether the lawyer is right for you.



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### **QUESTIONS TO ASK:**

The questions you will find in this eBook are designed to help you choose the best possible representation for you. Not all attorneys are the same, and you won't connect with everyone you meet along the process.

At Lowe Law Group, we aim to be as transparent as possible, and we'll always provide answers that are completely truthful. On the last page of this eBook, you will find a checklist that you can read questions off of and mark down the answers you receive.

### WHAT KIND OF EXPERIENCE DO YOU HAVE?

Why you want to ask this question: With any potential personal injury claim or lawsuit, you're going to be up against large corporations backed by legal representatives with one focal point: protect the profits of the insurance company and avoid paying out a large amount of compensation.

An attorney with experience can provide you valuable insight into what the insurance company will try to do to limit their liability and turn a case against you. Here are some of the things that you may expect to hear that can help you make a decision:

- Number of years of experience
- Number of cases handled throughout the years
- Information on insurance defense tactics
- Some situations similar to yours that have been handled





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# WHAT ARE YOUR PAST CASE RESULTS?

Why you want to ask this question: Case results are not always indicative of the outcome you'll receive, but it can give you a better idea of how competent and successful the lawyers are. Case results can also show the firm's ability to seek the maximum compensation you need.

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When you ask for an idea of past case results, you won't get everything that the firm has recovered, but you may find out their total earned over their careers, how much their clients have been able to recover, and their ability to hold negligent parties accountable.

# 3 HOW DO YOU COMMUNICATE WITH CLIENTS?

Why you want to ask this question: In a matter with so much on the line, having open and honest communication is often vital to helping you have peace of mind through the process. After all, you want to be able to have your questions answered and your concerns addressed in a timely and appropriate manner.

You wouldn't want to feel as though you are just a case number or that your needs are not a top priority.

You want to hear that the lawyer handling your case will be available to you to answer any questions you may have. You want to know that there is someone focusing on your case and aligned with your goals to pursue compensation. This can help you feel confident moving forward.



### WHAT CAN I EXPECT IF I HIRE YOU?

Why you want to ask this question: Legal matters are extremely difficult, and the process can present several obstacles. This means you want to ensure that you are aware of every step that follows and what it is you can expect moving forward—including when working with your lawyer.

If you ask your attorney what to expect, they should be able to give you clear cut answers on the process, as well as the way they intend to handle your case. It's imperative to keep yourself abreast of what's going to happen.



#### WHAT IS THE PROCESS LIKE?

Why you want to ask this question: Any lawyer can tell you that no two cases are alike and sometimes, the things to expect in the process can differ on a case-by-case basis. However, you should have an understanding of what can happen and what to do should you encounter any problems.

You want to know what you need to file, any problems once you file (such as a motion to dismiss), what is needed for discovery, whether or not to accept the settlement offer, if you can counter the settlement offer, and how a trial proceeds if it makes it to that point.



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