

Questions to Ask at your Free Legal Consultation

When seeking legal counsel for an injury, it's essential to ask the right questions. This guide outlines the critical questions to ask a personal injury lawyer to ensure you make an informed decision.

How Much Do You Charge for Your Services?

Many personal injury lawyers work on a contingency fee basis. This means they only get paid if you win your case, typically receiving 30-40% of the settlement. If they don't win, you owe nothing.

How Long Have You Been Practicing Personal Injury Law?

Experience is crucial when choosing an attorney. Look for a lawyer with at least 10 years of experience in personal injury cases, particularly in the state where your case will be filed. At Sieben Alexander, P.A., we have over 50 years of experience helping victims of personal injury.

Have You Handled Cases Like Mine Before?

Personal injury law covers various case types, including auto accidents, medical malpractice, and more. It's important to hire a lawyer experienced in handling cases similar to yours, such as:

- Auto accidents (commercial trucks, motorcycles, rideshare incidents)
- Medical malpractice or defective products

What Issues or Difficulties Do You See with My Case?

A trustworthy attorney will be honest about the strengths and weaknesses of your case. They should discuss potential challenges and provide a realistic assessment of your chances for success.

How Will You Keep Me Updated on the Progress of My Case?

Clear communication is vital. Your attorney should regularly update you on your case's progress and answer any questions you may have, ensuring you're never left in the dark during the process.

Do You Have Testimonials or References From Past Clients?

Client testimonials can give you a sense of the lawyer's ability to handle your case effectively. If a lawyer has a history of positive feedback and reviews, it can be a good sign of their reputation and trustworthiness.

Will My Case Go to Trial?

While most personal injury cases are settled outside of court, your attorney should be prepared for trial. If negotiations stall, having an attorney who can take your case to trial is crucial for securing a fair settlement.

Do You Have Trial Experience?

Trial experience is essential in personal injury cases. Attorneys with trial experience are better equipped to prepare strong cases, gather solid evidence, and secure favorable settlements by demonstrating to insurers that they could win in court.

If My Case Goes to Trial, Will My Legal Fees Change?

If your case goes to trial, your lawyer's fees may increase due to the additional work involved. A good attorney will clarify the cost structure upfront and make sure you understand how fees could change if the case escalates.

What Happens if I Lose My Case? Will I Be Responsible for Any Costs?

At Sieben Alexander, P.A., we cover all upfront costs, including filing fees, expert witness fees, and more. You will not owe anything if we don't win your case.

How Long Will My Case Take?

The timeline for a personal injury case can vary. While most cases settle in a few months, those that go to trial can take longer. Be cautious of attorneys who promise a quick settlement, as this may lead to a smaller payout.

How Can I Contact You if I Have Questions About My Case?

The best personal injury law firms are easily accessible. At Sieben Alexander, P.A., we're available 24/7 to address any concerns and keep you updated on your case.

Talk to an Experienced Personal Injury Lawyer

If you have questions or need legal guidance after an injury, the attorneys at Sieben Alexander, P.A. are here to help. We combine the resources of a large firm with the personal touch of a local practice.

Call (651) 437-3148 or contact us online to schedule your free consultation. You pay nothing unless we win your case.