

## Personal Injury

### A Dedicated Team of Attorneys Protecting People

The Virginia Personal Injury Litigation Group is centered on representing individuals—real people, not corporations or insurance companies—who have been injured through the reckless, careless, or intentional actions of others.

### Our Philosophy

We limit the number of cases we take so that we may devote substantial resources, thought, and attention to each of our personal injury cases. Several of our lawyers previously practiced in very large law firms, and we strive to provide extraordinary legal assistance to individuals who could never afford to pay the rates large law firms demand. In effect, we level the playing field by taking the “corporate law firm” approach used by large firms to defend corporate clients and using it to represent our personal injury clients in fighting insurance companies and corporations for civil justice. In today’s business-first political climate, the basic rights of individuals are rapidly losing ground to the prerogatives of big business and the companies that insure them. By making your fight our fight, we partner with our personal injury clients to make justice a reality.

### The Sooner the Better - Retain a Personal Injury Lawyer Before Precious Time Is Lost

In the wake of an injury—from any source—a motor vehicle accident, an unsafe product, or a dangerous condition of land—many victims and their families don’t know where to turn for the critical legal advice they’ll need to guide them through what can be an intimidating and confusing time. Choices injured persons and their families make in the days immediately following an injury or wrongful death can have a lasting impact on their rights to compensation for damages and injuries. Defendants have insurance companies to protect them—you should have an advocate as well. Our attorneys have assisted injured individuals and their families in a variety of areas.

### Focus Areas

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- Automobile and Trucking Accidents
- Brain Injury
- Justice for Crime Victims, Inadequate Security Litigation
- Product Liability
- Sex Abuse Victims
- Wrongful Death

### Related Attorneys

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- Peter S. Everett

- Chidi I. James
- Stanley P. Klein
- Juli M. Porto
- Robert J. Stoney
- Matthew P. Tsun
- Amy L. Bradley

## Related Cases

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- \$1.475 Million Settlement

## Practice Recognition

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### ***U.S. News - Best Law Firms*** rankings

#### Regional Rankings - Washington, DC

- Personal Injury Litigation – Plaintiffs (Tier 1)
- Product Liability Litigation – Plaintiffs (Tier 1)

## Testimonials

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### From our clients

- "Best attorneys ever!!! My husband and I worked with this amazing group for over 4 years after he suffered from a near fatal motorcycle accident. They did exactly what they said they would do and let us know this was going to be a long process. I would like to recognize Peter Everett, Juli Porto, Chidi James, Brenda Ramirez and so many others who were always there to answer questions and ease our minds. If you're thinking twice about a reputable law firm let me put your mind at ease. They are the best and now a part of our family! I highly recommend these amazing firm."
- "The Principles and Staff are very professional, knowledgeable and helpful in both understanding the process and what is critical to a successful outcome. I can highly recommend them."
- "I found Peter Everett because he is a member of the Trucking Litigation Group at the American Association of Justice. My wife and I hired Peter to represent us in a trucking accident, and he and his law firm were great. He really knows Virginia and trucking Law, is well known and respected in the Courthouse, and gave us excellent representation. In the end, he secured a great recovery for us. We strongly recommend him and B&K to represent you in your trucking accident case."
- "I had a very good experience with Rob, Stephanie, and Carla. I was badly injured while riding a bicycle, and medical bills were mounting quickly. I shopped around and had a dicey experience with another firm that set off all sorts of red flags. When I sat down with Rob at Blankingship and Keith, it was like night and day, and my worries melted away. Rob also suffered a bicycle accident and empathized with my situation. Their attentiveness and process continued to put me at ease, and I could focus on recovering. Stephanie was with me to lend support at trial, kept me apprised of current developments, and were always available if I had further questions. Attorneys gave me actionable information and I really felt included in the process. Ultimately, my medical costs were alleviated and I was made whole once more. When I talk to others that have had similar accidents, my experience was superb. I can't sing their praises enough in this review. I

highly recommend their team. Go talk to them, you'll be in good hands."

- "This is a very easy review to write. The team at Blankingship and Keith were such a blessing to our family and the most devastating time in our family's life. Chidi, Peter, Denise and, frankly the entire office were responsive, empathetic, encouraging, professional and most importantly relentless towards getting justice for our injury. When we couldn't think for ourselves, they thought of everything and coached us through our case every step of the way. They are family! I wouldn't recommend anyone else!"
- "Rob Stoney very professional, smart, passionate and very dedicated as are all of the members of his Team. Rob, Chidi James, Julie Porto and Carla Coleman provided me with the highest quality of legal representation. I felt so comfortable every step of the way . I can highly recommend them. You feel like Family."
- "Juli Porto offered wise counsel as we walked through a very challenging time. She was responsive, insightful, and went above and beyond to support the best possible outcome."

### From professionals for whom we've consulted

- "Peter Everett provides not only top tier advice to his clients, but also assists attorneys such as myself with difficult legal issues. His knowledge, zeal, and uncanny ability to think "outside the box" is amazing."
- "As a personal injury attorney, I have co-counseled with the PI team of Peter Everett, Chidi James, and Rob Stoney at Blankingship and Keith. The team understands Traumatic Brain Injury, as many lawyers fail to appreciate the powerful yet subtle ways a brain injury affects the client--and, indeed, the whole family-- after a negligent act. I love the energy and the intellect with which Peter Everett approaches every case. And fantastic results!!"
- "I have had the opportunity to work on cases with the personal injury team at Blankingship and Keith for 10+ years. They are very professional and they get excellent results for their clients. It is always an honor to work with Chidi, Peter, Rob and the entire team at Blankingship and Keith."
- "I've both worked with the lawyers at Blankingship & Keith as well as known people who used B&K as their lawyers for their personal injury or wrongful death claim. Their personal injury team is exceptionally talented, knowledgeable, and sympathetic to their clients, and just all around good people."
- "The personal injury team works passionately as an advocate for those with catastrophic injuries, selflessly putting their clients' interest above their own interests. Over the last 20 years, I have seen dozens of successful cases as consultant for them, witnessing them fighting relentlessly for injured victims."
- "Pete Everett and his law firm of Blankenship and Keith are an outstanding personal injury law practice that I had the pleasure of working with on a complicated traumatic brain injury case. Our client was a resident of Virginia who was injured in a crash that occurred in Indiana. So my law firm of Doehrmann Buba Ring co-counseled the case with Pete Everett and his team at Blankenship and Keith. What I learned during that case was that Pete and his team were outstanding attorneys who advocated with competence and compassion every step of the way for our client. I would not hesitate to refer anyone to Blankenship and Keith who had a matter that required an attorney from the State of Virginia. Pete and his team at Blankenship and Keith are simply the best."

### News & Insights

- [Washingtonian Honors Three Blankingship & Keith Attorneys with Lifetime Achievement Awards](#)
- [Twenty Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Recognized as Best Lawyers in America®](#)
- [\\$1.475 Million Settlement for Violation of Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code-Related Personal Injury](#)
- [Fifteen Blankingship & Keith Attorneys are Recognized as Super Lawyers](#)

Chidi James, Peter Everett, Denise Porto, Julie Porto, Carla Coleman, Rob Stoney