



# Personal Injury

## Your Trusted Trial Team in Northern Virginia™

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

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

### Related Attorneys

- Amy L. Bradley
- Peter S. Everett
- M. Barkley Horn
- Chidi I. James
- Juli M. Porto
- Aimee N. Solano
- Robert J. Stoney
- Matthew P. Tsun

## Related Cases

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- Obtained a \$2.1 million pedestrian injury settlement
- Obtained a \$3 Million Settlement in a Fairfax County Wrongful Death/Survival Action
- \$2.975 Million Settlement — Catastrophic Passenger Injury & Insurance Coverage Dispute
- Secured \$5.4 Million Settlement in a Wrongful Death Case Arising from a High-speed Crash
- Obtained \$2.35 Million Dollar Settlement in Product Liability and Premises Liability Case
- Secured a \$450,000 Settlement for Client in Highway Collision
- \$175,000 Settlement Secured for Child with Broken Arm
- \$2.75M Settlement – Airport Black Ice (Mild TBI)
- Insurance Policy Limits Recovered for Client with Facial Scarring
- Additional Compensation Secured for Client After Insurance Bad Faith
- \$6,000,000 Settlement Secured in Highway Construction Injury Case
- Secured \$4,400,000 Verdict in Loudoun County for Client Stemming from a Serious Commercial Vehicle Collision
- Obtained \$500,000 Settlement for a Client Injured in Truck Accident
- Secured \$5,200,000 Settlement for Family in Wrongful Death Lawsuit Involving Hazing Incident
- Secured a \$4,000,000 Jury Verdict for a Woman Injured in a Dump Truck Crash in Loudoun County, Virginia
- Secured \$5,075,000 Settlement Father Paralyzed in Prince William County Crash
- Obtained \$1,100,000 Settlement for a Life-Long Athlete Following Tractor-Trailer Collision
- Secured \$9 Million Settlement in UVa Shooting Cases with Integral Role by Blankingship & Keith
- Obtained \$2.85M Settlement for Pressure Cooker Explosion Injuries
- Obtained a \$1.1 Million Settlement for a Child Injured by a Package Delivery Driver
- Obtained a \$3.250M Settlement for the Estate of a 16-year-old Boy Killed in a Construction Trench Collapse
- Obtained a \$2.325 Settlement for a Woman Injured in Broadside Crash
- Obtained a \$550,000 Settlement for a Child Assaulted by a Day Care Teacher
- Confidential Settlement for Client Illegally Filmed in Commercial Business
- Blankingship & Keith Achieves Three of the Top 10 Settlements in 2022
- Secured \$14 Million Settlement for Child Care Center Victims of Sexual Assault with Blankingship & Keith Teaming with Seven Law Firms
- Achieved \$3 Million Settlement for Client in Automobile Collision
- Obtained a \$1.475 Million Personal Injury Settlement for Violation of Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code-Related Personal Injury
- \$300,000 Settlement for Hand Crush Injury in Automobile Crash

- \$125,000 Jury Verdict for Shoulder Injury in Car Accident
- \$600,000 Policy Limits Settlement for Scooter Collision
- Confidential Settlement for Wrongful Release of Medical Records
- \$550,000 Settlement for Child Assaulted by Daycare Teacher
- \$283,000 Settlement for Motorcycle Accident Injuries

## Practice Recognition

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### ***Best Lawyers - Best Law Firms* rankings**

#### Regional Rankings - Washington, DC

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

## News & Insights

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- \$2.1 Million Settlement Reached in Northern Virginia Pedestrian Injury Case
- FAQ: When Employers are Liable for Work-Related Accidents
- \$3 Million Settlement Reached in Fairfax County Wrongful Death / Survivor Action Case
- FAQ: Wrongful Death vs. Survival Actions in Virginia: What's the Difference?
- David J. Gogal Elected President of the Virginia Law Foundation
- Case Spotlight: Holding an Uninsured, High-Speed Driver Accountable After a Catastrophic T-Bone Crash
- Blankingship & Keith Secures \$2.975 Million Settlement for Out-of-State Passenger Seriously Injured in High-Speed Collision
- Blankingship & Keith, P.C. Announces 2025 Northern Virginia Magazine Top Attorneys
- Blankingship & Keith Named Among 2026 "Best Law Firms" by Best Lawyers®
- Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Share Strategies to Protect Children at Statewide Seminar on Sexual Assault Litigation
- Amy L. Bradley Named a Go-To Lawyer for Negligence by Virginia Lawyers Weekly
- Ten Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Recognized Among Arlington Magazine's 2025 Top Attorneys
- Case Spotlight: \$5.4 Million Settlement in a Wrongful Death Case
- Blankingship & Keith Secures \$5.4 Million Settlement in Wrongful Death Case Following High-Speed Crash
- Blankingship & Keith Partner Robert J. Stoney Quoted on BMW VCPA Class Action Ruling
- Blankingship & Keith's M. Barkley Horn Named Among 21 Virginia Lawyers Weekly "Up & Coming Lawyers"
- Thirty Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Recognized in the 2026 Editions of Best Lawyers in America® and Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch®
- Blankingship & Keith, P.C. Obtains \$2.35 Million Settlement for Property Manager Injured by Defective Light Fixture
- FAQ: Injuries from Falling Objects and Defective Fixtures in Buildings
- Chidi I. James Named Best-in-State Lawyer in Virginia for Civil Litigation by Forbes
- Blankingship & Keith Secures \$6,000,000 Settlement for Woman Injured in Highway Construction Accident
- Blankingship & Keith Secures \$4.4 Million Jury Verdict for Client Injured in Loudoun County Truck Crash
- Don't Let Insurers Undercut Your Family's UIM Protection
- Twenty-One Blankingship & Keith, P.C. Attorneys Named Virginia Super Lawyers and Rising Stars for 2025

- Urgent Call for Auto Safety Reforms: Addressing Seatback Failures
- If You Own a Car in Virginia, Beware of “Opt-Out” Letters: Protecting Your Rights Under Virginia’s New UM/UIM Coverage Law
- Blankingship & Keith, P.C. Receives National and Regional Recognition in Best Lawyers® 2025 "Best Law Firms"
- Barkley Horn Receives Prestigious Trial Attorney Scholarship from the Arlington County Bar Association and Arlington County Bar Foundation
- Principal Juli Porto Named Virginia Lawyers Weekly’s 2024 Leader of the Year
- Eleven Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Recognized as Top Attorneys in Arlington Magazine’s 2024 List
- Three Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Honored by Virginia Lawyers Weekly
- Twenty-Seven Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Shine in the 2025 Edition of Best Lawyers in America
- Lifelong Athlete Secures \$1,100,000 Settlement Following Tractor-Trailer Collision
- Blankingship & Keith Plays Integral Role in Securing \$9 Million Settlement in UVa Shooting Cases
- \$550,000 Settlement Reached in Child Assault Case at Local Daycare
- Twenty Blankingship & Keith, P.C. Attorneys Named Virginia Super Lawyers and Rising Stars for 2024
- Blankingship & Keith Secures \$2.85M Settlement in Pressure Cooker Explosion Case
- Blankingship & Keith’s Personal Injury Lawyers Secure Three Major Settlements Totaling \$6.675M, Recognized in Virginia Lawyers Weekly
- Small Magnets, Fatal Danger
- Hotel Safety Over the Holidays
- From Exclusivity to Equity: Rethinking Virginia’s Restrictions on Civil Justice for Victims of Workplace Violence
- Ten Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Recognized as “Top Lawyers” by Northern Virginia Magazine
- Blankingship & Keith, P.C. Earns National and Regional Recognition in Best Lawyers® 2024 "Best Law Firms"
- WanaBana Apple Cinnamon Fruit Puree Pouches Recall
- Thirteen Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Recognized as Top Attorneys by Arlington Magazine
- Blankingship & Keith PC Adds Three New Associates to the Firm
- Blankingship & Keith’s Chidi I. James Earns Spot on Virginia Business Magazine’s 2023 Top 500 Power List
- Twenty-two Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Shine in the 2024 Edition of Best Lawyers in America
- E-Riding (or “Micromobility”) Safety
- Peloton Recalls Over 2 Million Exercise Bikes Due to Seat Issue, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission Urges Immediate Action
- Blankingship & Keith Achieves Three of the Top 10 Settlements in 2022
- Blankingship & Keith, P.C. Attorneys Named Virginia Super Lawyers and Rising Stars for 2023
- Ridehail Safety Issues For Riders
- U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission Offers New Recommendations for Window Coverings Safety
- Protecting Your Child from Abuse at Child Care Centers
- Metro Safety in the DMV – Rider Vigilance
- Blankingship & Keith Teams with Seven Law Firms to Secure \$14 Million Settlement for Child Care Center Victims of Sexual Assault
- Can Social Media Companies Evade Accountability?
- Changes in Virginia Law Regarding Improving UM/UIM Coverage
- Blankingship & Keith Principals Chidi James and Rob Stoney Inducted as Fellows of the Virginia Law Foundation

- Five Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Named “Top Lawyers” by Northern Virginia Magazine
- Ten Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Named “Top Lawyers” by Washingtonian Magazine
- Juli Porto and Rob Stoney Achieve \$3 Million Settlement for Client
- Thirteen Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Named 2022 Top Attorneys by Arlington Magazine
- Washingtonian Honors Three Blankingship & Keith Attorneys with Lifetime Achievement Awards
- Blankingship & Keith Adds Two New Attorneys to the Firm
- Twenty Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Recognized as Best Lawyers in America®
- County of Henrico v. O’Neil, Record No. 0932-21-2, 75 Va. App. 312 (August 2, 2022)
- \$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 to Become President-Elect of the Virginia State Bar