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**PRACTICE AREAS**

- Auto accidents
- Wrongful deaths
- Personal injuries
- Workplace injuries
- Mining & industrial accidents
- Motorcycle accidents
- Trucking accidents
- Medical malpractice
- Employment matters
- Brain & spinal cord injuries
- Burn injuries
- Amputation
- Other catastrophic injuries

## Meet Our Staff



Kelli Harris

Kelli Harris is originally from Charleston, WV. She graduated from Capitol High School in 1991. She then attended the University of Charleston where she earned an associates degree in general studies. Kelli has been in the legal field for the past 14 years and has worked on a variety of cases but specializes in medical malpractice litigation. Kelli works as Paul K. Reese's paralegal at Warner Law Offices. She has a four-year-old daughter Brinlee. Kelli and Brinlee enjoy going to the park, riding their bikes, going to dance, fishing and camping.



Sarah Goode

Sarah Goode lives in Red House, WV with her husband Kevin and eight month old son, Joshua. She is a 2004 graduate of West Virginia University Institute of Technology, earning an associate degree in business technology. She is the receptionist at Warner Law Offices. She enjoys spending time with her family, reading, playing with her dog Chewy and doing anything outdoors.



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News and tips  
to keep your family  
safe this season.



Bobby Warner tells the  
booster seat story for his  
latest TV commercial.

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*Bobby Warner*

## On a Mission for Booster Seats

About five years ago, Warner Law Offices represented a boy who suffered a severe brain injury when he and his family were involved in an auto accident. When asked why the boy was not in a booster seat, his parents broke down and said they could not afford one. They are not alone. Many families in our state find themselves in the same position.

Since this case, it has become our passion to provide booster seats to families who cannot afford one for their child. In fact, half of our television advertising is dedicated to the booster seat program. This fall, our newest booster seat ad is running throughout the area, but you can also view it on YouTube at [www.youtube.com/WarnerLawOffices](http://www.youtube.com/WarnerLawOffices).

Because of this program, we have given hundreds of booster seats to West Virginia families in need. Because it is so important that parents are educated on the proper use of car seats and booster seats, we have become actively involved with The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) during their Child Passenger Safety Weeks to sponsor "Seat Check Saturdays". During these events, our local community gets involved by donating their used car seats and booster seats. The event is free to the public and people are taught how to properly use child passenger restraints, encouraged to discard old, defective child restraint equipment and help prevent recalled equipment from being distributed.

For more information about booster seat safety, visit [www.nhtsa.gov](http://www.nhtsa.gov).



## Truman's Corner: If You're In an Accident

Few experiences can be as traumatic as a motor vehicle accident. However, there are steps you can take long before an accident takes place to ensure that you are fully protected if you find yourself in an unfortunate situation.

### Get Help

After the accident has occurred and you've made sure your vehicle is safe where it is parked, check yourself and your passengers for injuries and immediately call 911. If you are able, obtain the name, address and phone number of everyone involved in the collision as well as all witnesses to the accident. Also, obtain the automobile insurance information of all drivers involved in the accident. Once the police have arrived on the scene, write down the name, phone number and address of the investigating officer, so you will know where and how to locate the accident report.

### Take Photos

In many instances, the at-fault driver will deny that he or she caused the accident and will attempt to place the blame on the innocent driver. For that reason, always keep a camera (with flash capabilities) in your vehicle, so that you can take pictures of the accident scene following the collision. Pictures of the vehicles involved, intersections, traffic signs and signals, and skid marks can help prove who was at fault in causing the accident. Of course, only take pictures of the scene if it can be done safely and out of the way of oncoming traffic.

### Keep A Flashlight

If the accident takes place at night, you may need a light source for a number of reasons, including locating documents, alerting oncoming vehicles and assisting injured parties, so always keep a working flashlight in your vehicle.

### Get Info

Because you will need to gather information from witnesses and the other driver(s) involved in the collision following the accident, always keep a pen and notepad along with your insurance information in the glove box of your vehicle, so that all are easily accessible.

### Get Checked Out

Of course, your health and that of your passengers is more important than anything else, so get the medical attention that is necessary, whether by ambulance to the emergency room or a visit to your family doctor. Even if you do not feel that you have been seriously injured, it is always a good idea to see your doctor for a full check up following a collision.

### Call Us First

Finally, before speaking to the insurance company, contact Warner Law Offices to discuss your legal rights. In many instances, the insurance companies will attempt to settle your claim for much less than you truly deserve. Call (304) 344-4460 for a free office or telephone consultation with one of our experienced attorneys.

## Backpack Attack 2009



Throughout the year, we're involved in sponsoring a variety of events in the state. One of these events was Backpack Attack 2009 held at Dominion Harvest Fellowship in Charleston. We were on-hand to promote the booster seat program, sign up kids with Beyond The Backyard and fill backpacks with \$200 worth of school supplies. This event helped children from Kanawha, Cabell and Boone counties whose families would otherwise be unable to afford their school supplies.

## Tree Stand Safety

This is that time of year when getting up early and heading out to a frosted-over field or woods becomes a weekend ritual. It's dear season! Here are a some tree stand tips you can take with you as you head out to harvest "the big one".

- Always wear a Fall-Arrest System (FAS) / Full Body Harness even during ascent and descent.
- Practice with the treestand at ground level prior to using at elevated positions.
- Never exceed the weight limit specified by the manufacturer.
- Practice in your Full Body Harness in the presence of a responsible adult prior to using it in an elevated hunting environment.
- Hunt with a plan and if possible a buddy.
- Select the proper tree for use with your treestand.
- Use a haul line to pull up your gear and unloaded firearm or bow to your treestand once you have reached your desired hunting height. Prior to descending, lower your equipment on the opposite side of the tree.
- Only purchase and use treestands and Fall-Arrest Systems meeting or exceeding Treestand Manufacturers Association standards.

**For a list of certified products and safety tips, visit the Treestand Manufacturers Association website at [www.tmastands.com](http://www.tmastands.com)**



## Tucker's Tips

### Trick or Treat

Who are you going as this year? Transformers? Dora the Explorer? A vampire or ghost? Halloween is coming up soon and it's time to decide! It's also time for parents to start talking to their kids about a few simple guidelines to make sure everyone stays safe.

- Children should always be accompanied by an adult
- Go only to well-lit houses
- For older kids or teens, plan a route, go in a group and set a curfew
- Use flashlights, stay on sidewalks and avoid crossing yards
- Wear clothing that is bright, reflective and flame retardant
- Inspect all candy for safety before children eat it

### Corn Maze

Another popular fall activity is going to a corn maze. Farmers all across the country are benefiting from building mazes out of their corn fields. There are farms that have had as many as 25,000 visitors to their maze in a season! With all these people, there are just a few rules you need to remember before you go through a corn maze.

- Walk, don't run
- Stay on the path and don't cut through the rows of corn
- Do not pick or throw corn
- Take a flashlight and wear close-toed shoes
- Do not smoke
- Do not tamper with the signs

Find a corn maze close to you at [www.cornmazedir.com](http://www.cornmazedir.com).

