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Family

Making memories to last a lifetime

Growing up, my family hardly ever went on vacation. The few times we did, I remember just like yesterday. It was a magical time for me as a kid being at the beach and building sand castles that I could crawl through and hide in. I remember the first time I surfed a wave and what my father and mother were doing at the time. Those are some of the best memories as a kid.

Last month, my wife Jenny surprised me with an anniversary trip to Boston. What a great gift she gave our family! We had a fantastic time. It seems there is never a good time to take a vacation, and sometimes we can be tempted to put off family outings and vacations for work priorities. Whenever those thoughts cross my mind, I am reminded of the saying that "No one on his deathbed ever said 'I wish I had spent more time at work.'" Had I put this trip off, I would not have gotten to experience the look on my kids' faces when they experienced the Patriot Trial, Old Ironsides, the Old North Church, Paul Revere's house, Bunker Hill, and so much more.

Kids make life worth living. Here are a few pics from our recent trip showing the love from baby Ella to her big sis Zoe.

John





Staff Spotlight

KRISTIN MUZA

Moving from Chicago, Illinois, Kristin Muza is the newest addition to the GriffithLaw team! With 7 years experience in the legal field, she brings a wealth of knowledge to the firm. Her sports knowledge is an added asset when filling out office sports brackets!

What gets you out of bed in the morning?

My children.

What is your favorite weekend activity?

I love to spend as much time with my family whether it is getting up early to watch my son play baseball or we love to go hiking, canoeing, BBQ, swimming, fishing, etc.

What is your favorite local restaurant?

Ruth's Chris

What sparked your interest to work in the legal field?

I have seen how people can get taken advantage of and I love being able to help and protect people from something they could not avoid.

What is your favorite movie?

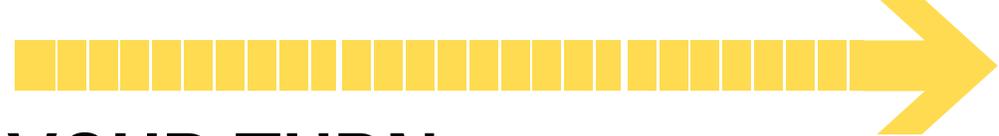
The Blindside.

What song could you listen to on repeat?

Whitney Houston's "I Wanna Dance with Somebody"! That song can put you in a great mood.

Do you have a favorite quote?

"The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today." - H. Jackson Brown, Jr.

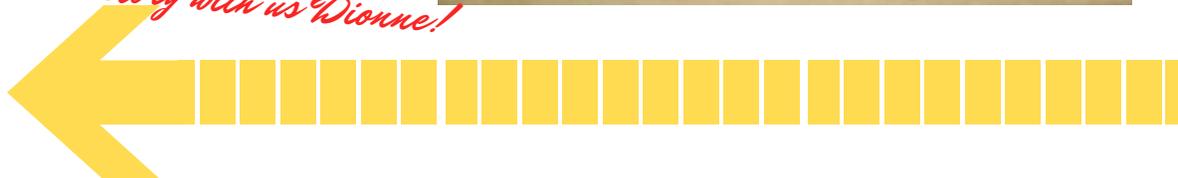


YOUR TURN: Dionne's Story

"We were recommended to John by a good friend, and it was the best decision we made for our case. When we first with him, he even made the effort to drive all the way out to our house. He was very professional during the whole process, and his staff was always very prompt to answer emails. I also appreciated his efforts in preparing our case if we went to trial. I didn't feel that he was just in the business of quick settlements. In the end, we had a great outcome and were very pleased with the whole process. I would highly recommend John to anyone needing representation. Brylee will be very blessed in her future due to your hard work and dedication. You helped me us fight for our little girl when she wasn't able to herself.

-- Dionne Snow
Dickson, TN

Thanks so much for sharing your story with us Dionne!



To share your story, email Sydney@Griffithinjurylaw.com

4 Myths About Car Accident Cases

After a car accident, it's natural to turn to friends and family members for advice. Unfortunately, there are many myths surrounding car accident injuries, claims, and lawsuits, and any one of them could result in lost compensation for your injury. The most common myths that continue to circulate about crash cases include:

1. Car accident laws are the same in every state.

In Tennessee, car accidents follow a "fault" system for car accident insurance coverage, meaning that the at-fault driver is liable for the cost of injuries and damages after a crash. If you were found to be somewhat liable for the crash, the amount you receive from an insurer could be drastically reduced, even if your injuries are severe.

2. It's better to let our insurance companies work it out than hire an attorney.

Since insurance companies provide much-needed payments in times of need, many people forget that they are businesses driven only by profit. As insurers will work hard to avoid liability, you may need an attorney to get fair value for your claim. As former insurance adjusters, our firm knows the tricks insurance companies use to undervalue car accident claims, making us uniquely able to deal with them on their level.

3. If you haven't sued by now, you missed your chance.

The Tennessee statute of limitations on car accident cases is one year, meaning the case has to be filed within one year of the date of the accident or you lose your right to payment. Many victims suffer injuries that seem minor at first, then worsen over the next few weeks—and some of these can cause arthritis or other permanent effects. If your doctor says your injuries are related to your crash and the one-year time limit has not passed, you are still eligible to pursue a case.

4. Hiring an attorney is too expensive, and not worth the hassle.

If your accident involved minimal damage and only minor injuries, you may not need to hire an attorney. However, victims of any accident that causes significant medical bills, vehicle damage, and prolonged time off work are usually best served by getting an attorney's advice.

Watermelon Fruit Pizza

Serves 8

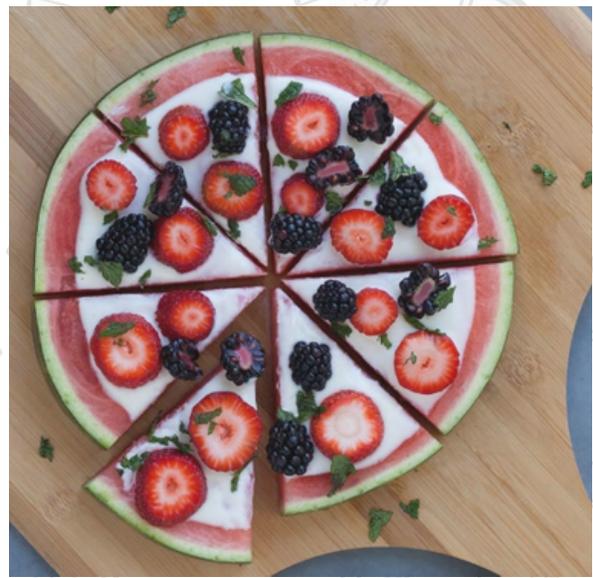
An easy recipe that will be a hit at every summer occasion!
AND-- it's healthy! How can you resist?!

Ingredients

- 1/2 cup low-fat plain yogurt
- 1 tsp honey
- 1/4 tsp vanilla extract
- 2 large round slices watermelon
- 2/3 cup sliced strawberries
- 1/2 cup halved blackberries
- 2 TBSP torn fresh mint leaves

Preparation

1. Combine yogurt, honey and vanilla in a small bowl
2. Spread 1/4 cup yogurt mixture over each slice of watermelon. Cut each slice into 8 wedges. Top with strawberries, blackberries, and mint.



... a slice of Summer!

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