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GIVE THANKS...WITH AN OPEN HEART

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 *Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.*

I am thankful for many blessings in life. I read and interact with many people in horrible situations, in bondage, or prisoners in war, or parents of infants who died tragically way too soon, or taking care of their catastrophically injured child, who express nothing but thanks that their situation is not worse. **These people teach me. They humble me and silently call me out for not being more thankful of all the blessings in my life.**

In the midst of this pandemic, drivers have not stopped crashing into each other. Although insurance companies have drastically stalled on settling claims, the new cases keep coming in. Due to growing inventory, we have added new team members to our family here at GriffithLaw. In evaluating numerous applicants for open positions, the one thing that matters most to me in hiring is one word.... **Attitude**. I would rather have an eager, humble, generous person with less aptitude than a selfish, egotistical person who is the smartest lawyer in the world. After all, we are in the people business, and we strive to not only be the best, but to give our clients a great experience. Fortunately for our recent hires of Ashanti and Craig, I think we have found both a great attitude and incredible aptitude. Time will tell but they are off to a great start.

In looking back at this past year, I think this picture sums it up best for me.... **My windshield is a lot bigger than my rear view mirror**. I have too many good things on my plate that need my attention more than counting my losses or focusing on past relationships that have messed me over and not lived up to their promises and obligations.



I am so very thankful to have found a profession that **I love to my core**. I love standing up for what I believe is right and being able to make a difference in people's lives. I am thankful to have a career where I worry more about how long I can practice law rather than focusing on any retirement date. And the common denominator in all of this is **YOU**. I could never be a paper pusher type of lawyer that only does transaction work. That is good and noble work, it is just not for this cowboy.

I hope all of you have a wonderful Thanksgiving. I hope all of you make the best memories to cherish in these coming months. Hug your family close. Life is fragile and can be taken from you or changed in a blink of an eye.

In the Office

Welcome to Team GriffithLaw



We would like to introduce our newest member of the GriffithLaw Team, Attorney, Craig Glenn!

1. What gets you out of bed in the morning?

Knowing that my family depends on me as well as the thrill and excitement that comes with being in a position to serve the needs of my clients.

2. What is your favorite weekend activity?

Playing golf, watching sports, and spending time with my family.

3. Favorite quote?

"We are not to simply bandage the wounds of victims beneath the wheels of injustice, we are to drive a spoke into the wheel itself." — Dietrich Bonhoeffer

4. What is your favorite local restaurant?

City House in Germantown (West Nashville). They have some amazing dishes there, my personal Favorite being the "Frico" appetizer.

5. What sparked your interest to work in the legal field?

I've always loved history. Law is steeped in history and enables a society to consider where its been and where it is going. In my view, the law aspires us to reach our greatest potential. I have always wanted to be a part of something bigger than myself and this profession allows me to do that on a daily basis.

6. Who inspires you?

Professionally speaking, trial lawyers who lay it all on the line for their injured clients inspire me. They open their hearts and minds to jurors and ask them to "trust me." In my view, that is the greatest challenge we face in our profession. It takes guts to be vulnerable in front of people you don't know, but it is what makes us human. Being true to ourselves serves this great profession well.

Personally speaking, my parents and grandparents. Each of them in their own way made tremendous sacrifices that enabled me to be where I am today. Without them, it would not have been possible.

NOVEMBER'S **RAVING** FAN OF THE MONTH!



"We had a great experience with this firm. We had a long process fighting an insurance company. Griffith law firm helped us through the whole process. They took the time to explain our options and they were very patient with us. Great experience. We would use them again if needed and would recommend to everyone."

-James Johnson, White Bluff, TN



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TOP 6 BEHAVIORS THAT CAUSE CAR ACCIDENTS IN TENNESSEE

On average, there are 4,500 serious or fatal car crashes each year in Tennessee. Recent data from the Tennessee Department of Safety & Homeland Security reveals that, while the causes of these accidents vary, human error is almost always a factor.

The most common driver actions that result in crashes include:

Tailgating: Failing to maintain a safe following distance is a leading cause of rear-end accidents, many of which are fatal at high speeds. Pictures of the accident scene can help victims prove that the driver behind you was following too closely.

Failure to yield: Confusion over the right of way can lead to collisions with pedestrians in a crosswalk, roundabout injuries, and crashes into oncoming traffic. Witness statements are key to proving that the other driver did not follow the rules of the road.

Failure to stay in lane: Drivers are more likely to drift between lanes or run off the road when they are tired or driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs. If the driver who struck you was having trouble driving in a straight line, police at the scene might have gathered evidence of drunk or impaired driving.

Distracted driving: Driver inattention has been identified in over 300 crashes statewide so far this year. As driver cell phone use is the most common form of distraction, it is worth investigating whether the person who hit you was making a call, texting, or using the internet just before the crash.

Reckless driving: A driver who is aggravated or in a hurry may weave in and out of lanes, increasing the risk of a sideswipe collision. Careful documentation of both vehicles and the at-fault person's previous driving records may add weight to your claim.

Speeding: Traveling too fast for conditions can cause anything from fender benders and single-car crashes to devastating head-on collisions. In addition to witness accounts, the impact of the crash can reveal vital details about how fast the driver was going before a collision.



GAMEDAY BUFFALO CHICKEN DIP

INGREDIENTS

- 1 cup pulled Rotisserie chicken
- 2 8-ounce packs of cream cheese
- 1 cup Ranch Dressing
- 1 cup of red hot sauce
- 1 cup shredded cheese

To dip: raw veggies, tortilla chips, and/or bread

DIRECTIONS

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a saucepan, combine chicken and 1/2 of the hot sauce and simmer on low for 20 minutes, or until chicken has fallen apart and soaked up the sauce.
- Remove from heat and set aside. To a medium-size casserole dish or cast iron skillet, combine the cream cheese, blue cheese, ranch dressing, and the rest of the hot sauce. Stir until combined. Then, fold in the chicken.
- Top with more shredded cheese and place in the oven for 20 minutes or until bubbly.
- Serve with chips, bread, or veggies.

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