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Personal Injury

Sustainable advice





## About Lavelle Coleman

Lavelle Coleman is one of Ireland's leading law firms. We have earned a solid reputation for professionalism and client service. Our reputation is based on proven professional skills, a thorough understanding of client requirements, sound judgment and a practical approach to resolving problems.

Lavelle Coleman offers a full legal service to both businesses and individuals.

Our overall objective is to provide our clients with:

- an excellent service
- timely, responsive and accessible advice
- value for money

### **Recommendations**

"Clients highlight Lavelle Coleman as an 'integral service provider to our organisation' and say, 'they offer so much more than just legal advice'."

*European Legal 500: 2009 edition*

## About the Personal Injuries Team

Lavelle Coleman is one of the country's leading claimant personal injury law firms and has one of the highest success rates of recovering high levels of compensation for accident victims each year.

Lavelle Coleman has built its reputation in this area by ensuring that personal injury claimants achieve the best possible outcome that the law will permit. Our dedicated Personal Injury team makes a commitment to every client to maximise your compensation, to expedite the litigation process, and to act in your best interests at all times.

If you have been injured in some way, whether through a road traffic accident, as a result of a faulty product or appliance, or a slip and fall, you may be entitled to compensation. If you have been injured through no fault of your own we will fight for you to receive the maximum claim for your particular injuries. In all personal injury claims we will also arrange for you to have a private medical examination with a specialist doctor. We will use the medical evidence to form the basis of your compensation claim.

Our personal injury solicitors have a deep understanding of the issues concerned, a proven track record and access to excellent technology to ensure that you get maximum compensation for your accident or injury.

Whether you have suffered loss, personal injury or damage you may be entitled to bring a claim for pain and suffering, loss of earnings, repair and replacements costs or any other losses attributable to your accident.

You will talk to caring professionals who are specialists in personal injuries. We will undertake immediate investigations to determine who is at fault. We will take into account any worries you may have such as financial needs and will meet you at a place and time convenient to you.

There are two ways in which compensation can be recovered:

1. Under the Injuries Board formerly known as the Personal Injuries Assessment Board (PIAB).
2. The Litigation process through the court system.

### About The Injuries Board

The Injuries Board is an independent body which was set up under the Personal Injuries Assessment Board Act 2003. It provides assessment of personal injury compensation for victims of workplace, motor and public liability accidents. It does not assess Personal Injury claims that are the result of medical negligence.

The Injuries Board is the first route that must be followed when seeking compensation for a personal injury. At Lavelle Coleman, we have assisted a large number of clients in receiving compensation following a personal injury by taking their case through the Injuries Board system. It is important to be properly advised throughout this process to ensure that the appropriate level of compensation is awarded by the Injuries Board and also to receive professional guidance for any settlement discussions which might take place during the process.

If either party is dissatisfied with the award or if the Injuries Board deems it appropriate, an Authorisation will be given for the claim to be transferred to the Courts.

There is a very short window within which to bring a claim to the Injuries Board, namely 2 years from the date of injury. Notification of the claim has to be made within 6 months of the date of accident, although this can be extended.

### Recent Relevant Experience

- Representing clients in the High Court in a number of personal injury cases, including Road Traffic Accidents, accidents at work, public liability claims and occupier liability claims
- Advising clients on applications to the Injuries Board
- Handling a case where our client had lost a limb as a result of a Road Traffic Accident. This case was settled for €1.45 million
- Representing a client who had lost most of his hand as a result of an accident at work. This case was settled for €1 million
- Acting for a client who had been on holiday in Ireland when she was involved in a Road Traffic Accident. She suffered severe internal injuries and this case was settled for €500,000



## Meet the team



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## Testimonials from clients

Mrs. B (Co. Wexford)

*"I would like to take this opportunity in thanking you for the very efficient and professional way that you have handled my mother's case. She was very happy with the outcome and I would have no hesitation in recommending you to friends and family in the future".*

Mr. S (Co. Dublin)

*"I would like to thank you for the stress free claim throughout, I could not have wished for a better person to have dealt with it and the service I have received from you has been excellent, you have kept me well informed and up to date with everything."*

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