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LITIGATOR AWARD

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CRAIG, KELLEY & FAULTLESS LLC has been awarded the Litigator Award in the areas of Truck Accidents, Catastrophic Injury, and Personal Injury by the Trial Lawyers Board of Regents.

The Litigator Award is based on actual results that a law firm has achieved. The Trial Lawyers Board of Regents looks back over the past 20 years to see if a law firm qualifies. According to the Trial Lawyers Board of Regents only 1% of lawyers nationwide qualify for this award.

The award is based on verified verdicts or settlements. The law firm must have obtained at least one \$10 million dollar or more result, at least one \$5 million dollar or more result, and at least two \$1 million dollar or more results.

2015 - The Latest of the New Year

The new year brought with it awards and accolades for our law firm and our attorneys. In addition to the prestigious Litigator Award from the Trial Lawyers Board of Regents, some of our lawyers were once again named Indiana Super Lawyers. In March, Indianapolis Monthly published the annual list of Indiana Super Lawyers. David Craig and Scott Faultless were selected as Super Lawyers in the area of personal injury. And, Christopher Barry was selected as a Rising Star in the area of personal injury.

CKF LATEST

Mediation

A mediation is an informal settlement conference that is run by an independent attorney (mediator). Most courts require that you go through a mediation before you can take your case to trial. The mediation is designed to get both sides to reach a settlement so that the costs and uncertainties of a trial can be avoided. The process is confidential. If the case does not settle, then the jury will not know anything about the meeting or the settlement numbers discussed.



The mediation usually lasts at least four hours. All parties to the lawsuit divide the cost of the meeting equally. The mediation usually starts with a general session where the lawyers for each party summarize their view of the case. You do not have to talk to the other side or answer questions. Once the general session is over, the two parties separate into separate conference rooms. You stay in a conference room with your lawyer and the mediator goes back and forth trying to get both sides to compromise.

If a case settles at mediation, you usually have the settlement proceeds within 30 days. If it does not settle, then you proceed towards trial. Having a case that doesn't settle at mediation doesn't mean that it won't settle before trial.

2014 - Review of the Year

Last year was a busy year for **CRAIG, KELLEY & FAULTLESS LLC**. Unfortunately, the majority of the insurance companies continued to delay, deny, and fight most claims. As a result, we were forced to file lawsuits sooner and fight more aggressively than ever. We know it is frustrating to be treated so badly by the insurance companies. Regardless of the insurance companies' tactics, we were successful at trial, mediations, and in settlement negotiations in 2014.

Referrals: Thank You

Thank you to those of you who referred potential clients to **CRAIG, KELLEY & FAULTLESS** in 2014. We appreciate the confidence and trust you have in our law firm. Referrals continue to be largely responsible for the growth of our firm.

Newsletter

Our law firm publishes its newsletter, Insights, once a quarter. If you would like to be removed from our mailing list, contact Dana at danacraig@ckflaw.com

Winner of the GoPro

David Craig is pictured here with Julie Monsey, of Carmel, Indiana. Julie won a GoPro in our 4th Quarter 2014 "Like" our Facebook page drawing. If you want to be entered into future drawings, "Like" our page on Facebook and you are automatically entered to win!



EMPLOYEE FEATURE

Clint Crabtree



Clint Crabtree (above)

Many of our clients have had an opportunity to work with Clint Crabtree. He negotiates all of the firm's property damage claims with the insurance companies. Clint controls all of the firm's litigation calendars, manages our investigation division, and is also our in-house IT guy. He has been with **CRAIG, KELLEY & FAULTLESS** for over six years, starting as a legal assistant in 2009.

Clint has BS Degrees in Pre-law, Criminal Justice, and Business Information Systems from Indiana Wesleyan University.

Clint and his wife, Krista, have two daughters, Maddy and Kenna. In his spare time, Clint breeds French bulldogs at his farm in Muncie, Indiana. He started his growing side business, Hoosier Bulldogs, in 2009.

We are very proud to have Clint on our staff. He is a great guy and always eager to help our clients in any way that he can.

WIN A FREE APPLE TV



On May 20, 2015, we will draw the name of the winner of a free Apple TV streaming box. Apple TV gives you access to tons of great HD content in a tiny package. It allows you to enjoy blockbuster movies, TV shows, live sports, news, music photos, and much more. To enter to win, you need to "Like" our page on Facebook. If you have already liked us, you are already registered. If not, then do so today. Plus, tell others you know to "Like" our page on Facebook so they will be eligible to win too!

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*The Apple TV is only the streaming box. Craig, Kelley & Faultless will not be giving away an actual TV.





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