

What if I get paid in cash?

Some employers pay their workers "under the table" and in cash. If this applies to you, then be careful. You need to take steps to protect yourself.

What happens if you get hurt on the job? To get workers comp benefits, you have to prove how much you made. If you don't put your cash pay in a bank account, or claim the income on your taxes, you won't be able to prove how much you made!

(The same thing applies if you are hurt in a car wreck and can't work.)

If you are paid cash, you need to

keep a weekly list of how much you get paid, and always deposit the cash into a bank account, so there is a paper trail.

Another issue is Uncle Sam! Many people think if they are paid in cash, they don't have to report it for tax purposes. That is wrong! So be careful!

Another thing to think about is Retirement. When you retire and start drawing Social Security, the amount you get is based on your lifetime earnings. If you haven't reported cash income as earnings, then Social Security won't even see those earnings and you won't draw much at all.

So be careful, folks! ■

Things We Do

We want you to refer friends and family for all types of injury cases. If you wonder whether we handle a particular type of case, give us a call and let's talk about it. We do all of these:

- Car Wreck Injuries**
- Work Injuries**
- Wrongful Death**
- Social Security Disability**
- Slip and Fall Injuries**
- Injuries caused by Faulty Products or Drugs**
- Dog Attack Injuries**

NOTE: If you have a case that doesn't fit, call us and let's talk about it anyway! It costs you nothing to call and talk to us. We want to be your legal information resource. ■

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