

Your Illinois Worker's Compensation Rights

Throughout litigation, Loren B. Siegel & Associates thoroughly explains each step of the litigation process to our clients. Basic to any case are your Worker's Compensation Rights, which include:

- When an injury occurs, you have 45 days from the date you know or should have known that it could be related to your job to report the injury to the employer.
- Your employer is required to pay you two-thirds of your average weekly wage for lost time related to your work injury.
- Your employer must cover all necessary and reasonable medical bills incurred as a result of your work injury. You may be treated with up to two doctors of your choice.
- You do not have to prove employer negligence.
- Your attorney's fee is limited by Illinois law to 20% of any disputed money that is awarded to you.
- If you cannot return to your old job as a result of your injury, your employer must help find a new job or pay you a portion of your lost income.
- Employers are strictly prohibited from harassing or firing you for filing a claim.

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