

MARTIN LAW

THE LAW FIRM FOR INJURED WORKERS



Workers' Compensation • Social Security Disability • Long-Term Disability • Veterans' Benefits

ALFRED J. CARLSON is a partner at Martin Law and has been duly sworn to practice law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Mr. Carlson is a graduate of Villanova University, where he graduated Magna Cum Laude in 1992 with a joint JD/MBA degree.

Al has been a litigator in Pennsylvania workers' compensation law since passing the bar in 1992 and joined his partners at Martin Law in 2000 to represent injured workers. He previously practiced at a leading defense firm in Philadelphia, representing international corporations, major insurance companies, and state and local government agencies in Pennsylvania workers' compensation cases. In the spring of 2013, Mr. Carlson was among the first class of attorneys to become a certified specialist in Pennsylvania Workers' Compensation by the PA Bar Association's Section on Workers' Compensation Law as authorized by the PA Supreme Court.*

Late in 2014, a groundbreaking decision was handed down in a case represented by Mr. Carlson: The Pennsylvania Commonwealth Court issued an affirmative ruling on a case it previously denied in 2011 after the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania vacated that first decision earlier in 2014. The ruling now awards Al's client, a former liquor store manager, benefits for the Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) he suffered when his store was robbed at gunpoint. This case was heavily covered by the press, featuring the reoccurring quote from Al, "This decision is important for expanding the 'Payes' ruling to retail and service workers across the state."

The law practice of Martin Law LLC consists of Fourteen attorneys who limit their practice to representing injured workers in Pennsylvania and Social Security Disability claims. Mr. Carlson is a member of the Philadelphia and Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers and is an author and lecturer on workers' compensation matters. He presently represents over 400 injured workers and disabled individuals.

Mr. Carlson served as President of the Philadelphia Trial Lawyers' Association in 2024 and co-chaired the Philadelphia Bar Association's Workers' Compensation Section in 2008.

Areas of Practice

- Workers' Compensation

Certified Specialist*

- Pennsylvania Workers' Compensation

Bar Admissions

- Pennsylvania (1992)

Education

- Widener University School of Law, Wilmington, DE - J.D. (1992)
- Widener University, Wilmington, DE - M.B.A. (1992)
- Villanova University, Villanova, PA - B.S. Magna Cum Laude (1989)
Major: Accounting

Classes/Seminars

- Guest Lecturer, Pennsylvania Workers' Compensation Law
- Guest Lecturer, Pennsylvania Bar Institute
- Lecturer, Pennsylvania Workers' Compensation Law, Villanova University

Professional Associations and Memberships

- Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association, Former President
- Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association, Vice President
- Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association, Board of Directors
- Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association, Secretary
- Pennsylvania Bar Association, Member
- Philadelphia Bar Association, Workers' Compensation Section, Past Co-Chair (2008)
- Philadelphia Bar Association, Workers' Compensation Section, Legislative Liaison
- Pennsylvania Association for Justice, Member
- Justinian Society of Philadelphia, Board of Directors

Honors and Awards

- Pennsylvania Super Lawyer honoree, (Since 2005)
- Top 100 Philadelphia Super Lawyer List (2009, 2011-2016, 2019-2021, 2023-2025)
- Top 100 Pennsylvania Super Lawyer List (2009, 2012-2015, 2019-2021, 2024, 2025)
- Best Lawyers in America, (Since 2013)
- National Association of Distinguished Counsel

