

PROS TO KNOW:

Log Truck Wrecks

Logging truck accidents present different challenges than an accident involving a tractor-trailer, semi-truck, dump truck or other commercial vehicle. A logging company and its truck drivers must follow different regulations than other trucking companies, but the industry is not very well regulated.

Some of the most frightening and grisly large truck accidents in rural South Carolina involve logging trucks that tend to be poorly maintained, operated by minimally qualified drivers, seldom in compliance with minimal state regulations on lighting and visibility, dangerously overloaded, and inadequately insured. Because most log trucks operate within a single state, hauling timber and pulpwood between the forest and a paper mill or sawmill, they are typically regulated only by local trucking rules and regulations that are substantially inferior to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations.

It is important the law firm you choose is well versed and knowledgeable in dealing with trucking companies and insurance companies of the industry. It is crucial that investigators inspect, document and preserve evidence at the scene of the accident where you or a loved one sustained serious injuries.

Trucking Accident Lawyers Serving South Carolina

In your first meeting, your attorneys should take the time to fully understand the unique circumstances of your case. They should lay out your legal options and make sound decisions with you about whether to proceed with actions to prepare for negotiations or a lawsuit against parties that may be responsible for your injury.

Whether your accident occurred on a major South Carolina interstate or a rural highway, your attorney should provide the resources, analysis and thorough case preparation to pursue recovery based on a number of accident situations, including:

- Overloaded trucks and unsecured loads
- Unstable trucks
- Rolling logs
- Logs blocking truck lighting or conspicuity tape (reflective tape)
- Inadequate lighting of the trailer
- Inadequate or unsafe flagging of logs extending beyond the truck trailer
- Inadequate conspicuity tape visibility
- Truck driver fatigue
- Trucking company negligence
- Negligent inspections and maintenance
- Defective trucking equipment
- Reckless driving
- Illegal maneuvers
- Other causes of truck accidents



At night, perception is greatly reduced, especially on poorly lit logging roads. When logging truck lighting or reflective taping is obscured, it can be very difficult to see a truck or its logs on the road, and harder yet, if the truck is pulled over or stopped in the road.

Most attorneys will pursue recovery for catastrophic loss, medical expenses, lost wages, pain and suffering, disability and other costs. Most will also provide a free initial consultation with a lawyer along with the advice and options you need now.

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