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Personal Injury Law

- Auto Accidents
- Motorcycle Accidents
- Uninsured Motorist
- Alcohol Related Accidents
- Medical Malpractice
- Wrongful Death
- Premises Liability

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- Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

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JOSEPH P. MARASCO

Installed as President of the Rhode Island Association for Justice

On Friday, September 15th, the Rhode Island Association for Justice ("RIAJ") held its 31st Annual Awards ceremony that also included the installation of the association's new officers. Attorney Joseph P. Marasco, was sworn in as the 2017-2018 President by Superior Court Judge Daniel Procaccini. Attorney Marasco, co-founder and partner at Marasco & Nesselbush, has dedicated his 25-year career to serving the injured and disabled.

The RIAJ was founded in 1970 and represents 400 attorneys who are committed to strengthening the civil justice system by protecting citizens' access to jury trials. In advancing its mission, the RIAJ works to ensure that any person who is injured, or the survivors of those killed due to the misconduct or negligence of others, can seek full justice in the courtroom.

While addressing the audience, Attorney Marasco reminisced about the values he learned from a young age while spending time with his parents and seven brothers and sisters. "Treat people honestly and fairly. Use your education and talents to serve others.

Stand up for those less fortunate." He said, "I believe these three basic principles are what drive us as trial attorneys to do what we do every day for our clients. These principles are embodied in the mission of the Rhode Island Association for Justice, which is why I am so proud to serve as your President."



Attorney Joseph P. Marasco (right) being sworn in as the 2017-2018 President of the Rhode Island Association for Justice by Judge Procaccini (left).



Providence Business News Recognized Marasco & Nesselbush as a 2017 Best Place to Work

Marasco & Nesselbush is once again honored to be recognized by *Providence Business News* as an awardee of its 2017 edition of the Best Places to Work competition. The Best Places to Work honorees are selected based on confidential surveys of employees and management reports compiled by the Best Companies Group.

Marasco & Nesselbush was one of only three law firms and 25 businesses recognized in the category of medium-sized employers with 50 to 149 employees. The exceptional

legal service that Marasco & Nesselbush seeks to deliver to each client fosters a sense of workplace pride among the firm's attorneys and staff and an office culture of compassion and mutual respect.

"It's the quality of our dedicated employees that makes Marasco & Nesselbush one of the best places to work," said Donna Nesselbush, a founding partner of Marasco & Nesselbush. "Our employees share the common mission of helping those in need."

LISA HANLON

Honored as 2017 Employee of Quarter Two



*From left to right: Donna Nesselbush,
Lisa Hanlon and Joseph Marasco*

Marasco & Nesselbush is proud to recognize Lisa Hanlon as our Employee of the Quarter for the second quarter of 2017. Lisa joined us with 25 years of experience under her belt and has a reputation for always going above and beyond for her clients. Her dedication reflects the firm's commitment to outstanding client satisfaction and exceptional, trusted legal care.

Lisa became interested in law when she enrolled in an Introduction to Paralegal Studies course. Soon after, she enrolled at Roger Williams University where she earned her Bachelor's Degree in Paralegal Studies. Today, Lisa describes the relief and happiness clients feel at the conclusion of their case as the most rewarding part of her job.

When Lisa is not working, she enjoys spending time with her two children, cooking and crafting. We congratulate Lisa on her achievement and thank her for her loyalty to not only our firm, but to her clients as well.



We are so proud of our Marasco & Nesselbush employees for supporting the annual Gloria Gemma Breast Cancer Resource Foundation Flames of HopeWalk.

Testimonial

"In early August I was notified that the case that your team had put forward on my behalf was decided in my favor. Throughout the entire process I was well advised, well represented and very well treated. Although the findings speak volumes for the caliber of your firm's work, I would have given you the exact same feedback from my experience had we lost. Fortunately I don't have to. Thanks for all that your team has been able to accomplish on my behalf."

SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY

Union Pension Rights Restored and Retroactive Benefits Awarded for Rhode Island Man

Tom is a 55-year-old maintenance worker and member of a local labor union. He became unable to work due to problems with his shoulders, right knee and complications from diabetes. Marasco & Nesselbush assisted Tom with his Social Security Disability application and obtained a favorable decision at the initial level. However, the Social Security Administration ("the SSA") claimed his disability began several months after he left work instead of the date last worked. Marasco &

Nesselbush did not give up the fight and filed an appeal. Since the medical evidence supported a finding of disability on the date last worked, Tom's union pension benefits would be adversely affected by the SSA's original finding. Our team was able to successfully prove Tom's disability started when he last worked, restoring his union pension rights. The new award at reconsideration also resulted in additional retroactive Social Security benefits. Tom went from happy to happier.

THE FESTIVAL OF FALL

-Author Unknown

*Just before the death of flowers,
And before they are buried in snow,
There comes a festival season,
When nature is all aglow."*

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CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

2017 Update

The Marasco & Nesselbush Charitable Foundation was founded in 2012 and supports non-profit organizations throughout Rhode Island. The Foundation is funded by Marasco & Nesselbush employee contributions and advances our commitment to community service. To date, the Foundation has raised more than \$50,000. Read on for recent updates on our Foundation's work in the community, as well as upcoming events.

On September 15th, we were honored to participate in and support Operation Stand Down's annual outreach weekend, providing legal advice and assistance to Rhode Island veterans.



On September 22nd, we proudly sponsored the Higher Ground International's Annual Village Leader Awards and Gala. All proceeds benefit Rhode Island's West African community and the rural villages of Liberia. HGI

is an inter-generational social service that advocates and provides programs for West African immigrants, refugees and marginalized communities in Rhode Island and rural villages in West Africa.



On September 30th, we spent the day with the Gloria Gemma Breast Cancer Foundation at their annual Passport to Survivorship wellness expo, which encourages total body harmony for breast cancer survivors and thrivers.

Upcoming Events

October 10	The Providence Center's Circle of Stars Gala, 5:30 - 7:30 pm
October 21	Tomaquag Museum's Annual Honoring, 11:30 am- 3:00 pm
November 3	Brain Injury Association of RI's Hidden Treasure Gala, 6:30 - 11:00 pm

HOW TO PREPARE FOR

As hurricane season comes to an end and there is a lull before winter arrives, now is the time to examine your family emergency plan.

NEW ENGLAND STORMS

Do you have a communication plan and survival kit for each family member and your pets? Are your important documents saved someplace safe and accessible? What does your insurance cover? If not or you are not sure, check out our Storm Preparedness Best Practices Checklist. We hope you never have to use your survival kit or insurance, but we'd rather you be ready.



Compile an

INSURANCE GUIDE

- ▷ Take pictures and video of your valuables and possessions prior to the storm's arrival.
- ▷ Review existing policies to understand the extent of your coverage.
- ▷ Earthquake, flood and hurricane insurance is not covered by standard homeowners' insurance.
- ▷ Beware: It can take as long as 30 days before insurance companies pay out.
- ▷ Create a one-page document with insurance policy and account numbers.
- ▷ Store important documents in a safe place such as a safety deposit box and make copies.

Create a

FAMILY EMERGENCY & COMMUNICATION PLAN



- ▷ How will you contact each other?
- ▷ Where will you meet for safety in case of evacuation?
- ▷ Where are the closest hospitals?
- ▷ Where is the survival kit?



Prepare a

SURVIVAL KIT

with 3-5 days worth of supplies

Medical

- ▷ Medicine (7 day supply)
- ▷ First Aid Kit

Food and Water

- ▷ Water (1 gallon/person/day)
- ▷ Can Opener and Utensils
- ▷ Nonperishable Foods
- ▷ Baby Food and Supplies
- ▷ Pet Food and Supplies

Sanitation and Hygiene

- ▷ Sanitation and Toiletry items
- ▷ Durable, water-resistant portable containers

Shelter, Safety and Comfort

- ▷ Blankets and/or Sleeping Bags
- ▷ Map of area and evacuation route
- ▷ Hand and Body Warm Packs
- ▷ Flashlight and Head Lamp
- ▷ Extra Clothes/Shoes
- ▷ Smart phone back-up charger
- ▷ Matches
- ▷ Batteries
- ▷ Whistle
- ▷ Weather Radio

Other

- ▷ Cash
- ▷ Important Documents
- ▷ Emergency phone numbers

Resources: fema.gov; ready.gov

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