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Happy Holidays!*



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Dear Friends,

*The COVID years have certainly presented many unique challenges. We are proud and amazed daily by the patience, flexibility, and perseverance demonstrated by our communities and our team.*

*In our modified working environment, we intensified our efforts to continue delivering high-quality legal care. Without hesitation, we made the necessary adjustments to effectively serve our clients while prioritizing safety and a healthy work-life balance.*

*As we look back on the past few years, we are grateful to our communities and our staff for their dedication during such unprecedented times. Lastly, we are thankful to our clients for continuing to place their trust in us.*

*Having successfully faced so many challenges together in recent years, we eagerly look forward to the opportunities of the new year. From our families to yours, we wish you a safe and joyful 2023.*

Sincerely,

*Joseph P. Marasco Donna M. Nesselbush*  
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## M&N Welcomes Attorney Michael F. Curtis



Michael F. Curtis is an associate attorney within the personal injury and medical negligence practice group of Marasco & Nesselbush. Serving the firm's medical malpractice and personal injury clients, Michael passionately advocates to advance the interests of clients who have suffered physical, emotional, and financial loss. ⚖️



## M&N Recovers \$3 Million for a Client Left Paralyzed as a Result of Medical Negligence

What should have been a routine neck surgery left a Rhode Island woman with permanent, disabling injuries after a surgery was performed without appropriate surgical precautions.

Suffering from an underlying inflammatory disease that can cause vertebrae to fuse, our client was in search of pain relief. When her doctors denied her surgery, she reached out to her former orthopedic surgeon for help. After a brief consultation, she underwent elective surgery, trusting she was in good hands. Unfortunately, when she woke up post-operative, she immediately noticed she could not move her legs.

After several consequential surgeries with no change to her paralysis or explanation of why she now required the permanent use of a wheelchair, she contacted our team to get some answers. Immediately, our personal injury litigation team, including partner Joseph P. Marasco, senior trial counsel Mark H. Grimm, paralegal Sara

Squillace, and legal assistant Lisa Hanlon, launched an investigation to uncover where things went wrong.

Understanding the situation's complexity, we contacted several medical experts to review our client's records, including a board-certified neurosurgeon with special expertise in complex spinal injury. His professional opinion suggested that the decision to recommend and proceed with the initial surgery was below the standard of care, putting our client at risk. And failure to take appropriate and available safety precautions during and after surgery substantially contributed to the adverse outcome of this case.

This lapse of judgment completely altered every aspect of our client's life, and nothing will be the same moving forward. While there was no way our client could prepare for such catastrophic physical and mental challenges, we are pleased to help ease the impact of her long-term financial damages by reaching a settlement of \$3,000,000. ⚖️

## Recent Settlements

Over \$100,000,000 recovered on behalf of our clients.\*

**\$7,270,000**

jury verdict for a woman who suffered permanent life-altering injuries as a result of medical negligence

**\$6,200,000**

awarded to a client who sustained serious injuries in a rollover crash caused by a distracted driver

**\$5,100,000**

recovered for the estate of a woman who passed as a result of surgical negligence

**\$4,500,000**

recovered for a client who sustained a traumatic brain injury in a car crash

**\$3,000,000**

recovered for a client left paralyzed as a result of medical negligence during a routine neck surgery

**\$3,000,000**

recovered for a family of an infant who died as a result of medical negligence

**\$2,500,000**

awarded to the estate of a woman once M&N's investigation uncovered the true facts about a pedestrian accident

**\$2,050,000**

recovered for a family whose husband and father tragically died due to negligent anesthesia administration

**\$2,000,000**

awarded to the family of a woman who died as a result of hospital negligence

*\*Cumulative recovery for Marasco & Nesselbush LLP clients since 1999.*

## 11 Years of Thanksgiving Baskets



This year marked the 11th year that Marasco & Nesselbush gave back by donating Thanksgiving baskets to families in our community. Our team is dedicated to helping others, not just through our work but also through our charitable giving. Each basket, carefully prepared by M&N team members, included everything needed for a Thanksgiving meal. ⚖️

## A Gift from M&N

Marasco & Nesselbush is pleased to offer ...

... a complimentary M&N winter scarf and knit cap perfect for keeping you warm as the weather gets cooler. It's another small way we can say thank you for your many years of support, kind referrals, and friendship.

**To enter your name into a drawing for a chance to win the winter scarf and cap:**

Head to [www.m-n-law.com/newsletter-giveaway](http://www.m-n-law.com/newsletter-giveaway) or scan the QR code to get to the form.

**Quantities are limited.** ⚖️



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**SPOTLIGHT**

## Gloria Gemma Breast Cancer Resource Foundation 5K



**O**n October 2, members of Marasco & Nesselbush met at the Rhode Island State House in Providence to participate in the Gloria Gemma 5K.

This event occurs annually to honor Breast Cancer Awareness Month and help raise funds to support cancer patients in the community. ⚖️

## Winter Driving Safety Tips

From icy roads to poor visibility, winter driving in New England can be challenging. Thankfully, there are precautions that drivers can take to stay safe during these months.

1. Before getting on the road, get your vehicle inspected and serviced.
2. Use low gears to maintain traction, especially on steep hills. Never push the gas pedal to the floor – maintain steady pressure.
3. Don't pass snow plows and sanding trucks as they have limited visibility and may not be able to see you.
4. Remember that bridges and overpasses freeze up first.
5. Turn on your headlights, so your car is visible to other drivers.
6. Reduce your speed and leave plenty of room to stop.