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Marasco & Nesselbush Earns Best Law Firm Recognition by *U.S. News & World Report* for the Sixth Consecutive Year

In November, *U.S. News & World Report* and Best Lawyers® announced the “Best Law Firms” rankings, and Marasco & Nesselbush, LLP has been ranked on the 2023 *U.S. News & World Report* “Best Law Firms” list in three practice areas. This is the sixth consecutive year the firm has been recognized by *U.S. News & World Report* and Best Lawyers®.

Marasco & Nesselbush received 2023 *U.S. News & World Report* top-tier rankings for:

- **Personal Injury Litigation for Plaintiffs:**
Regional Tier 1
- **Medical Malpractice Law for Plaintiffs:**
Regional Tier 2
- **Product Liability Litigation for Plaintiffs:**
Regional Tier 3

“It is truly a great honor to be recognized for the sixth consecutive year by Best Lawyers in America and *U.S. News & World Report*,” noted Marasco & Nesselbush Partner Joseph Marasco. Co-Founder and Partner Donna Nesselbush added, “Being recognized by

our peers is one of the greatest compliments in our industry.”

The 2023 Edition of “Best Law Firms” includes rankings in 75 national practice areas and 127 metropolitan-based practice areas.

Firms that receive a tier designation reflect the highest level of respect a firm can earn among other leading lawyers and clients from the same communities and practice areas. Firms included in the 2023 “Best Law Firms” list are recognized for professional excellence with persistently impressive ratings from clients and peers. Ranked firms, presented in tiers, are listed on a national and/or metropolitan scale. Receiving a tier designation reflects the high level of respect a firm has earned among other leading lawyers and clients in the same communities and practice areas for their abilities, professionalism, and integrity.

Best Lawyers® is the oldest and most respected lawyer ranking service in the world. For over 40 years, Best Lawyers® has assisted those in need of legal services to identify the lawyers best qualified to represent them in distant jurisdictions or unfamiliar specialties. Best Lawyers rankings are published in leading local, regional, and national publications across the globe. ⚖️



March is Traumatic Brain Injury Awareness Month

Marasco & Nesselbush has a well-deserved and respected reputation for its expertise in handling complex cases involving traumatic brain injuries. For more than 20 years, we've provided trusted legal care for clients who have sustained traumatic brain injuries.

The following are recent settlements achieved by the Marasco & Nesselbush team.

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

\$4,500,000

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

\$1,400,000

won for a family whose son passed
away due to a brain injury sustained in
a high-speed car accident

\$1,250,000

recovered on behalf of a young woman
who sustained a traumatic brain injury
as a passenger in a recklessly
operated vehicle

\$1,025,000

pre-trial award for a brain injury
survivor who was struck by a vehicle
while walking

\$1,000,000

awarded to the family of a youth who
sustained a traumatic brain injury after
being struck by a drunk driver

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

Rhode Island Roads and Their Accidents

Accidents can happen at any time and any place. At Marasco & Nesselbush, we see accidents that have occurred during the day and night, in rural streets and city roads, and with drivers young and old. Although each accident's factors may differ, there are certain streets and intersections within the state that we see more than others.

As we mentioned earlier, accidents can happen at any time. According to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS), on average, there are over 6 million passenger car accidents in the U.S. every year. Road crashes are the leading cause of death in the country, resulting in more than 38,000 people losing their lives each year.

Specifically, in Rhode Island, the accident rate is lower in the state than in the country, and that number continues to decrease. There were 67 fatalities from auto accidents in 2020, which is an increase from 2019, but down from the highest year in the past decade, 2017.

Identifying the most frequent accident locations in Rhode Island can help everyone to be more aware on the road and pay more attention when in these locations and on the road in general. Together, we can bring the number of accidents and fatalities down to zero. ⚖️

Here are some of the locations with the most accidents:

- Interstate 95 (North and South)
- The 6/10 Connector
- RI 146 (South) at Interstate 95 (South)
- RI 146 at Sayles Hill Road

In Memoriam Michelle Johnson



Last year, we said goodbye to our coworker and friend, Michelle. We are grateful to have known someone so layered – gentle and kind, fiercely spirited, and armed with a legendary sense of humor. She taught us how to be better people, listen with our hearts, and add sunshine to someone's most challenging day. Michelle was a true curator of unexpected moments and wholly invested in those she loved most.

She will be forever missed but easily remembered because no one knew better than Michelle what's cooler than being cool (ice cold!). ⚖️

A Gift from M&N

Marasco & Nesselbush is pleased to offer ...

...a complimentary M&N baseball cap and travel mug perfect for a sunny afternoon as we begin to welcome spring. It's another small way we can say thank you for your many years of support, kind referrals, and friendship.

To receive your baseball cap and travel mug:

Head to www.m-n-law.com/newsletter-giveaway or scan the QR code to get to the form. Complete the form and we'll be happy to mail them to you.

Quantities are limited. ⚖️



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Higher Ground



Every third Wednesday of the month, M&N team members spend time volunteering at Higher Ground International.

The organization's twofold mission is to improve the lives of people living in the rural villages of West Africa while providing meaningful opportunities for workforce and community development to the West African community living in Providence, RI, where the organization was founded. 

Good Driver Habits

Driving is not without its risks: distracted drivers, drunk drivers, and those who are careless and in a hurry to get to their destination can all cause a car accident that injures themselves and other people on the road.

- Don't text and drive
- Avoid dangerous roads and intersections
- Familiarize with your car's safety features
- Understand your car insurance policy and limits
- Be prepared for winter driving
- Keep a car accident checklist in your vehicle



* scan the QR code for a sample checklist