

WHAT TO DO IF YOU'RE THE VICTIM OF A HIT AND RUN ACCIDENT?



1. Call 911

Call first responders to let them know about the accident.

DO NOT chase the driver who hit you. Doing so can potentially prevent you from speaking to witnesses, lead to dangerous altercations and may jeopardize your case.

2. Gather Evidence

Gather evidence from the scene of the accident, including pictures and video of your vehicle, injuries and anything you believe to be relevant. Write down your recollection of the accident and the vehicle that hit you, including the make, model, color and full/partial license plate.



3. Get Witness Testimony

Perhaps people who witnessed your accident were able to remember or write down the license plate number of the person that hit you and fled the scene. Witness testimony can also bolster your side of the accident narrative when filing your compensation claim.

4. Seek Medical Attention

Even if you feel okay, you should still go to a nearby hospital or urgent care. When your post-accident adrenaline is in full swing, injury symptoms may take a while to manifest. You'll also need to have medical records documenting your injuries to file an insurance claim.



5. Seek Legal Counsel

Working with an experienced hit-and-run accident lawyer may help you get the justice you deserve, including compensation for your physical injuries and vehicle damage.

What Are Some Common Hit and Run Injuries?

Head injuries: Concussions, skull fractures and traumatic brain injuries

Neck injuries: Sprained neck, whiplash and broken neck

Facial injuries: Broken nose, facial fractures, cuts and abrasions and dental injuries

Back injuries: Fractures, spinal cord injuries and herniated discs