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Paul has over 30 years of experience as a personal injury lawyer, including claims for injuries from car accidents, slip and falls, faulty products and wrongful death in both jury and nonjury cases. He has extensive trial experience achieving outstanding results for his injured clients in all levels of court, including the Ontario Court of Appeal and the Ontario Superior Court of Justice.

Q *What should I do if I am injured on a municipal sidewalk due to ice or disrepair?*

A In Ontario there are very strict notice requirements. The accident must be reported to the local municipality within ten days of incurring the injury. Failure to do so can result in a denial of the claim. After the municipality has been notified of the claim, you have two years within which to pursue the matter by filing a Statement of Claim with the appropriate court. Failure to file this document within the two year period will prevent you from pursuing the matter at a later time.

After you are injured you should see your health care providers on a regular basis so that the extent of your injuries are properly documented. In many cases it is necessary for us to have referrals made to various medical specialists to better understand your limitations and value your claim appropriately. For example, if you suffer a broken leg, it may appear at first that you will regain full use of your leg after several months of healing. After meeting an Orthopaedic Surgeon you may learn that you will never regain full mobility which in turn can affect your ability to work long term and thus the value of your claim. For all of these reasons it is important to seek legal assistance in proceeding with this type of claim. Call me today at Kelly Greenway Bruce for a free consultation.



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