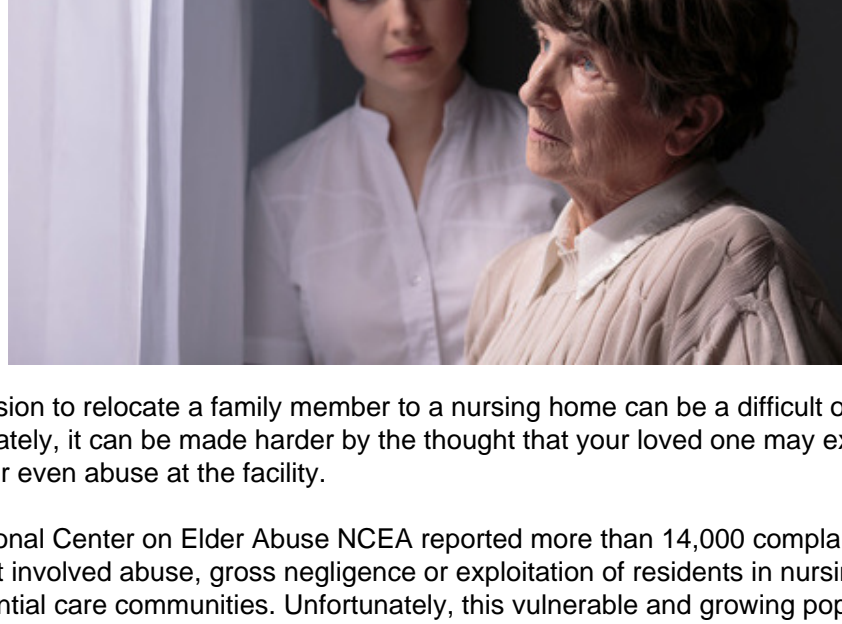




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Important Change to Nursing Home Abuse/Neglect Statute of Limitations



The decision to relocate a family member to a nursing home can be a difficult one. Unfortunately, it can be made harder by the thought that your loved one may experience neglect or even abuse at the facility.

The National Center on Elder Abuse NCEA reported more than 14,000 complaints in 2014 that involved abuse, gross negligence or exploitation of residents in nursing homes or residential care communities. Unfortunately, this vulnerable and growing population is too often subject to physical mistreatment as well as mental abuse, neglect and financial exploitation.

If you believe that your elderly loved one has suffered neglect or abuse in a West Virginia nursing home, we would like to help. Our firm has the right experience to hold the facility accountable and pursue compensation for your family member's medical expenses, pain, suffering and other harm.

But time is running out. Recently, the statute in West Virginia for nursing home abuse or neglect was shortened from 2 years to 1 year.

West Virginia Nursing Home Abuse/Neglect Statute of Limitations Reduced

Earlier this year, the statute of limitations for nursing home abuse or neglect - was cut in half, from 2 years to 1 year. The time limit is measured from the date of death and/or negligence, or the discovery of said negligence.

This change means that **time is of the essence** in the event that you suspect neglect or abuse has occurred in a nursing home. You only have 1 year in which to file suit, or the opportunity to make a claim on behalf of a victim of nursing home abuse or neglect will be lost forever.

Note that this change only pertains to West Virginia cases specifically nursing home neglect and/or abuse. The statute of limitations for traditional medical malpractice has not changed.

Nursing Home Case Venue Change

One additional change made at the same time as the statute of limitations change involves in which county a nursing home neglect or abuse claim should be filed.

Under the new rules, this type of case must be filed in the county in which the negligence or abuse occurred.

How Many of These Thanksgiving Fun Facts Do You Know?



Our all-American holiday - Thanksgiving - is right around the corner. Why not impress your family and friends with these amazing Thanksgiving facts?

- The first Thanksgiving in 1621 - 396 years ago! - lasted for 3 days. 50 Pilgrims and 90 Wampanoag Indians shared the Plymouth, MA festivities.
- No - turkey was not served! Instead, celebrants feasted on venison, geese, duck, lobster, oyster, eel and fish. Pumpkin and cranberries were on the menu, but not in dessert pies.
- A persistent letter writing campaign by Sarah Josepha Hale, the creator of "Mary Had a Little Lamb," persuaded President Abraham Lincoln to declare Thanksgiving a national holiday in 1863.
- In 1939 during the Depression, President Roosevelt tried to extend the traditional holiday shopping season by switching Thanksgiving's date to the third Thursday in November rather than the fourth. The date was quickly switched back.
- President Truman began the turkey pardoning ceremony in 1947. Beginning in 2005, all pardoned birds spend the rest of their days at Walt Disney World or Disneyland.
- Our Thanksgiving football tradition began in 1876 when Yale met Princeton in Hoboken, NJ. Each year the calendar is full of college and high school games on this holiday, as well as 3 NFL games hosted by the Detroit Lions, the Dallas Cowboys and another team in rotation.
- Macy's annual Thanksgiving Day Parade began small in 1924, with 400 store employees marching up New York's Fifth Avenue with animals from the Central Park Zoo. The real animals were soon replaced by today's familiar giant balloons.

The attorneys and staff at Mani, Ellis & Layne PLLC wish you and your family a safe and happy Thanksgiving holiday!

If a family member has suffered nursing home abuse or neglect or if you or a family member has been harmed in an accident or any other personal injury, it's important to get an attorney experienced in these types of cases involved immediately. Call (888) 402-9607 for your initial free consultation. Mani, Ellis & Layne, PLLC, injury attorneys in West Virginia, can help you determine whether you need a lawyer for an accident or any personal injury case.

From Our Blog:

Why Should I Take Photos After A Car Accident?

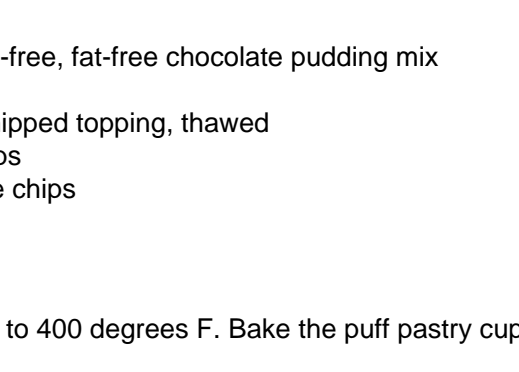


Car crashes happen frequently in West Virginia. In fact, Forbes reports that the average driver, over the course of a lifetime, gets involved in between three and four accidents. If you get into a crash, you should make it a priority to take photos of the crash scene.

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**Recipe of the Month
Mini Chocolate Tarts**



Mini desserts are a great way to offer dessert at the holidays without overindulging.

Ingredients

- 1.4 ounces sugar-free, fat-free chocolate pudding mix
- 1 cup skim milk
- 4 ounces light whipped topping, thawed
- 24 puff pastry cups
- 48 mini-chocolate chips

Instructions

1. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees F. Bake the puff pastry cups according to package directions.
2. In a large bowl, whisk together the pudding mix and skim milk. Put in the refrigerator for 5 minutes.
3. Fold the whipped topping into the pudding mixture.
4. Spoon or pipe 1 teaspoon chocolate pudding mixture into each puff pastry cup.
5. Top each tart with 2 mini chocolate chips.

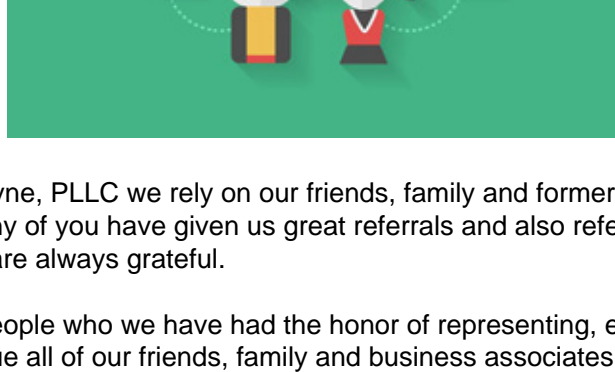
Tip: You will have 2/3 cup pudding mixture remaining. We recommend using for 2 chocolate mousse parfaits (1/3 cup servings). Top with a little whipped topping and a few chocolate chips for another delicious dessert.

Recipe courtesy of www.diabetes.org

What's Happening in Charleston, WV

- Dec 2**
Charleston Christmas Parade
Downtown Charleston
Charleston, WV
http://events.charlestonwv.com/event/charleston_christmas_parade#.We9P8-SWxkc
- Dec 2**
Fleetwood Mac Meets Blue Grass
Bridge Road Bistro
Charleston, WV
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- Dec 7**
Bill Gaither & the Gaither Christmas Homecoming
Charleston Civic Center
Charleston, WV
<http://www.charlestonwvciviccenter.com/events/2017/bill-gaither--the-gaither-christmas-homecoming>
- Dec 8**
Michael Jackson Tribute Show
WVSU Capitol Center
Charleston, WV
http://eventful.com/charleston_wv/events/michael-jackson-tribute-show-/E0-001-107035-978-5
- Dec 9 - 10**
Bulldog Breakaway Christmas 5K
The Citadel
Charleston, WV
http://eventful.com/charleston_wv/events/bulldog-breakaway-christmas-5k-2017-/E0-001-106903236-9
- Dec 10**
A Charlie Brown Christmas Live
Clay Center for the Arts & Sciences
Charleston, WV
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- Dec 13**
The Sound of Music
Clay Center for the Arts & Sciences
Charleston, WV
http://events.charlestonwv.com/event/the_sound_of_music#.We9Rc-SWxkc
- Dec 16**
Voices of Christmas
Ariel Ann Carson Dater Performing Arts Centre
Gallipolis, Ohio
<http://eventful.com/gallipolis/events/voices-christmas-/E0-001-103399757-1>

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(We have paid millions to our peers for referrals!)**



At Mani Ellis & Layne, PLLC we rely on our friends, family and former clients to send new referrals. Many of you have given us great referrals and also referred us new business and we are always grateful.

We value those people who we have had the honor of representing, even many years after. We also value all of our friends, family and business associates in West Virginia and further afield.

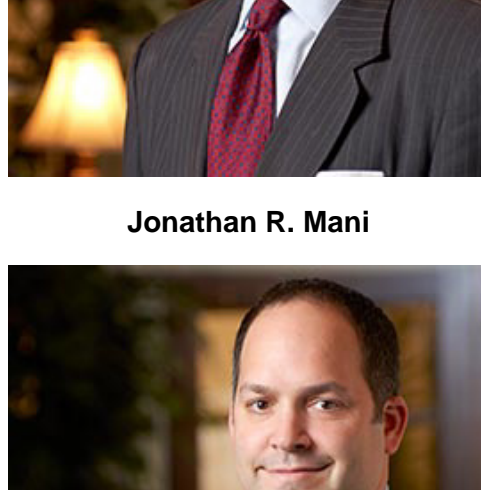
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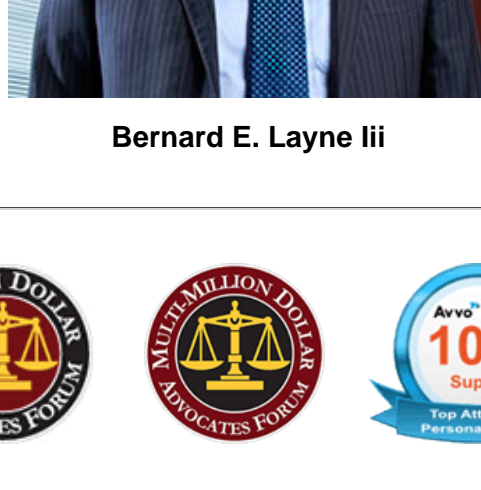
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