# **AUGUST 2024 NEWSLETTER**



## **Celebrating 35 Years of Representing the Injured**

## O'Connor Law Attorneys Selected to Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch List

Attorneys James O'Connor and Steven Yurkonis of O'Connor Law have been recognized in the 2025 edition of Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch. This is a prestigious achievement that acknowledges excellence for attorneys who are earlier in their careers. This distinction is given to attorneys who meet the standards set by Best Lawyers through a careful process of peer review.

Attorney James O'Connor is selected in the category of Trusts and Estates. This is his third year being recognized by Best Lawyers in this category. He was previously named to the Rising Stars list by Super Lawyers and is one of the Top 40 Under 40 by The National Trial Lawyers.

Attorney Steven Yurkonis is selected as one of Best Lawyers' Ones to Watch in the category of Personal Injury Litigation. This is his second year being recognized by Best Lawyers in this category. He has been selected as a Top 40 Under 40 Civil Plaintiff Attorney since 2021.



Attorney Steven Yurkonis



Attorney James O'Connor

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## **O'Connor Law Partners with Support Bikers**

We are so excited to announce that we are the new official sponsor of Support Bikers Pennsylvania! In our 35 years of representing the injured, we have seen the devastation that motorcycle accidents can cause. That's why we are partnering with this great organization of bikers supporting bikers as the official motorcycle accident law firm of Pennsylvania.

Support Bikers is the world's largest biker community, founded by bikers for bikers. The community offers financial support after a crash through their Wrecked Rider Fund, connects members to biker owned businesses, and connects the community to essential services like motorcycle injury attorneys (that's us!). Join the Facebook group Support Bikers Pennsylvania and find us on the map at supportbikers.com!





## 35th Anniversary Giveaway Winner Announced



Congratulations to Karyn Wayne and her daughter on winning our 35th Anniversary Giveaway! They won two tickets to see Pink in Philadelphia earlier this month. Thank you so much Karyn for supporting and for sharing these great photos with us! Make sure you're <u>following us on Facebook</u> so you don't miss any of our upcoming 35th anniversary giveaways!

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## Cancer diagnosis? Thyroid disease? Ulcerative colitis? Here's everything you need to know about PFAS and how to file a claim.

### What are PFAS?

Perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are known as "forever chemicals" because they don't break down easily. They are in many products that we use daily.

### Why are PFAS so harmful?

The CDC has linked PFAS exposure to several types of diseases, certain cancers, and other health problems.

### Are PFAS in my drinking water?

PFAS have been found in several drinking water sources across Pennsylvania. You can find your city on the interactive map <u>by clicking</u> <u>here.</u>

### What conditions do PFAS cause?

Drinking PFAS contaminated water has been associated with the following conditions:

- Kidney cancer
- Liver cancer
- Testicular cancer
- Ulcerative colitis
- Thyroid cancer
- Thyroid disease

### Who can help if I've been affected by PFAS contamination?

We can. If you or a loved one has been diagnosed with any of these conditions, please <u>contact our office</u>.