Fort Lauderdale Car Accident Attorney Marc Schiller Shares Tips for Preserving Evidence After a Crash

Evidence can quickly disappear, making early documentation important for a personal injury claim

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL, UNITED STATES, September 4, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Schiller Kessler Group has released guidance to help people preserve photographs, witness information, vehicle damage records, and other evidence following a car accident. The recommendations were developed by Fort Lauderdale car accident attorney Marc Schiller based on issues that can arise during Florida personal injury and insurance claims.

> Preserving evidence does not require an injured person to investigate the entire collision. The goal is to help the parties understand what happened and evaluate the resulting claim."
>
> *The Schiller Kessler Group*

Document the Scene Before Anything Is Disturbed

Schiller advises anyone involved in a crash to photograph the scene as soon as it is safe to do so, before vehicles are moved or the area is cleared. Images showing vehicle positions, skid marks, road conditions, and visible damage can preserve details that may not appear in a police report.

He also recommends starting with wider shots to establish the overall scene, then capturing closer images of damage and debris. Drivers with dashboard cameras should save that footage right away, as those systems often record over older files on a rolling basis.

Collect Witness Information at the Scene

Bystanders and nearby drivers may leave a crash scene before a full police report is completed. Schiller recommends asking nearby drivers, pedestrians, or business employees for their names and phone numbers so an attorney or investigator can follow up if questions about fault later arise.

Do Not Repair or Alter the Vehicle Too Soon

Schiller recommends documenting the vehicle thoroughly and, when reasonably possible, allowing the insurers or other appropriate parties an opportunity to inspect it before it is repaired or disposed of.

If the vehicle must be repaired quickly, the firm suggests taking detailed photographs and video, keeping repair estimates, and confirming the insurance company has had a chance to inspect the damage first.

Seek Medical Attention Promptly After the Crash

Schiller recommends seeking prompt medical attention when pain, dizziness, confusion, limited movement, or other symptoms appear after a crash. A qualified medical provider can evaluate the symptoms, recommend appropriate care, and document the patient's condition.

Delayed symptoms can occur after a collision, so injured people should pay attention to changes in their condition and follow the advice of their medical providers.

Keep Every Record Related to the Claim

Schiller recommends keeping medical bills, treatment records, repair estimates, receipts, insurance correspondence, denial notices, and settlement offers in one physical or digital folder. These materials may help document the treatment received, expenses incurred, and communications exchanged during the claim.

Exercise Caution on Social Media

An insurer or opposing attorney may review and seek to use a claimant's social media posts during an insurance claim or lawsuit. The firm advises accident victims to avoid publishing photos, comments, or updates about the crash, their physical condition, or their daily activities while the claim is active.

Speak With an Attorney Before Providing a Statement

Insurance companies may contact an accident victim shortly after a crash. Statements made early in the process may affect how an insurer evaluates fault, injuries, and damages.

Schiller recommends obtaining legal advice before giving a recorded statement to the other driver's insurer or accepting a settlement. A person may have separate duties to cooperate with their own insurer, so it is important to identify who is requesting the statement and why.

About The Schiller Kessler Group

The Schiller Kessler Group is a Florida personal injury law firm representing people injured in car accidents and other incidents. The firm serves clients from offices in Davie, Miami, West Palm Beach, Stuart, Fort Myers, Orlando, Melbourne, Tampa, and Jacksonville. Its attorneys have recovered more than $250 million for clients, and more than 30,000 Florida injury victims have turned to the firm for assistance. The firm offers free consultations and handles personal injury cases on a contingency-fee basis. For more information, visit the Schiller Kessler Group.

Original Source

Marc Schiller
The Schiller Kessler Group
+1 888-485-1163
email us here
Visit us on social media:
LinkedIn
Facebook
YouTube
TikTok
X

This press release can be viewed online at: https://www.einpresswire.com/article/939471631

EIN Presswire's priority is source transparency. We do not allow opaque clients, and our editors try to be careful about weeding out false and misleading content. As a user, if you see something we have missed, please do bring it to our attention. Your help is welcome. EIN Presswire, Everyone's Internet News Presswire™, tries to define some of the boundaries that are reasonable in today's world. Please see our Editorial Guidelines for more information.
© 1995-2026 Newsmatics Inc. All Right Reserved.