

Owen, Patterson & Owen Voted Best Personal Injury Law Firm in the SCV

For the past 34 years, the attorneys at Owen, Patterson & Owen have been effective in improving our community by pursuing litigation against those who have put the health and lives of others at risk.

Owen, Patterson & Owen has extensive experience and expertise in litigating serious injury cases resulting from truck, automobile, motorcycle and bicycle accidents. They have also been successful in pursuing wrongful death and serious bodily injury claims involving railroad and airplane accidents. Just recently, they obtained multi-million dollar awards for injuries incurred by their clients in the 2008 Metrolink train crash.

Elder abuse and negligence in caring for seniors is a growing problem. Greg Owen, senior trial partner of the firm, and Susan Owen, senior litigation and managing partner, completed a five-week trial on behalf of an elderly woman who was sexually assaulted by an employee of a poorly managed assisted living facility. The behavior and negligence of the owners, management and the employees was so egregious that the jury awarded a damages verdict of \$12.5 million.

In July of 2001, in a landmark case for this national law firm against Merck and Company, Owen, Patterson & Owen filed the first lawsuit seeking compensation for thousands seeking compensation for thousands of patients who had died or experienced serious cardio-toxic side effects after using VIOXX. The success of the firm's pursuits was high-lighted by the \$4.5 billion settlement of the cases after seven years of intense litigation. This was one of the largest personal injury settlements in history.

Overdoses from CT scans have become one of the major challenges to the radiology industry. Led by Senior Partner Richard Patterson, the firm is at the forefront of pursuing the interests of hundreds of patients who have received massive radiation overdoses to the brain. These overdoses, which occurred at six

California hospitals, were as many as 10 times the prescribed amount. Each CT scan is the equivalent radiation of approximately 2,500 to 3,000 normal chest X-rays.

The entire staff and all the attorneys at Owen, Patterson & Owen believe in giving back to the community. The firm was instrumental in protecting the children of Santa Clarita from sexual abuse and exploitation by ultimately obtaining a statewide injunction against an infamous self-proclaimed pedophile and putting a child molester behind bars. They support many nonprofit organizations, volunteering their time and resources, including William S. Hart Baseball/Softball, Boys and Girls Club, SCV Bar Association, Santa Clarita Committee on Aging, SCV Facilities Foundation, College of the Canyons, Zonta, Boy Scouts of America, Foundation for Children's Health, Michael Hoefflin Foundation, Carousel Ranch and others.

The attorneys at Owen, Patterson & Owen appreciate the privilege to be able to live and work in the Santa Clarita Valley and thank all who voted their firm "The Best."

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