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CAN RIDESHARE ACCIDENTS RESULT IN PUNITIVE DAMAGES?

If you're injured in a rideshare accident, you may be entitled to more than just compensation for your injuries. In some cases, you could also recover *punitive damages*. In Colorado, these are awarded when a driver's conduct is considered *willful and wanton*, meaning they acted with extreme recklessness or a deliberate disregard for others' safety.

Examples include driving under the influence, engaging in aggressive road rage, or intentionally causing harm. This type of behavior goes beyond ordinary negligence and shows a clear disregard for the well-being of others. Punitive damages are designed to punish this kind of misconduct and discourage similar actions in the future. While these damages are generally capped at the same

amount as compensatory damages, courts can increase them if the defendant's behavior worsens during the case.

At **VanMeveren Law Group**, we're committed to holding negligent and reckless drivers accountable. Our experienced attorneys understand the complexities of rideshare accident claims and work tirelessly to ensure our clients are treated fairly. If you've been injured in a rideshare accident, we're here to help you understand your rights and pursue the justice you deserve.

[Read more](#) on our blog about how punitive damages work in Colorado.



A devastating high-speed collision caused multiple broken bones, torn tendons, and a concussion for our client, a 58-year-old man on his way to work. After weeks in the hospital, he called VanMeveren Law Group to take care of his civil claims while he recovered from his injuries. Our experienced team was able to quickly and confidently investigate the claim, document his damages, and obtain a **\$900,000** settlement for our client without the need for lengthy litigation.

OCTOBER IN FORT COLLINS

November 5th
Music Trivia
The Lyric

Every first Wednesday of the month, immerse yourself in a music trivia



experience hosted by local musicians. We will delve into the vast and eclectic landscape of music, cover a wide spectrum of genres and explore some intriguing musical niches.

November 7th

Downtown Holiday Lighting Ceremony
Old Town Square

Kick off the holiday season in Old Town Square with the illumination of the annual lights! Trees throughout Old Town will be illuminated with thousands of LED bulbs through February. Lights turn on at approximately 6:30 p.m.

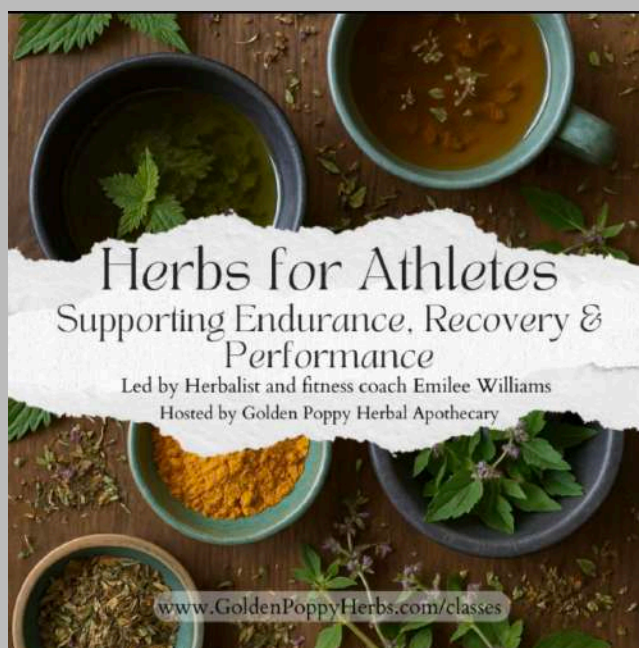


November 15th

Herbs for Athletes
Golden Poppy Herbal Apothecary & Clinic

Whether you hike, climb, bike, lift, swim, or play sports—this class is for you. Living an active life in Colorado means pushing your body to its limits, and the right herbs can help you go the distance.

Join Emilee, Herbalist and longtime fitness coach, for a class that bridges modern movement with plant medicine.



Learn more at www.visitftcollins.com

TESTIMONIAL

See what our clients have to say!

"After my accident, I didn't immediately hire a personal injury lawyer because I thought I could handle it on my own. Looking back, I regret waiting four months

before reaching out for help. By then, medical bills had piled up, insurance paperwork was overwhelming, and my injuries were making it harder to keep up with my 60-hour workweeks and active lifestyle. That's when I knew I needed someone on my side. I also knew I didn't want one of those "big box" law firms, so after reading the great reviews for VanMeveren Law Group, I gave them a call.

From the very beginning, Katherine and Amy put me at ease. They were empathetic, professional, and assured me I no longer had to deal with insurance companies or the stress of organizing medical bills — they would take care of it all.

And they absolutely did. Amy is incredibly organized; she managed all of my documents seamlessly without ever asking me twice for the same information. Katherine called me every single week with updates — and even if there wasn't a new development, she checked in just to see how I was doing. My case took some unexpected twists and turns, but Katherine handled each one with intelligence, confidence, and patience. She answered all of my questions and ultimately helped me settle for more than double the insurance company's original offer. I truly couldn't have asked for better support during one of the most stressful times in my life. My only regret is not calling them sooner. Thank you, Katherine and Amy, for everything!"

- Former Client

ADOPTABLE PET OF THE MONTH

Colt

VanMeveren Law Group is a proud supporter of Animal Friends Alliance.

Learn more about how you can adopt, foster or get involved at savinganimalstoday.org or call the AFA Taft Hill Shelter at (970)-484-8516



Colt is a friendly, gentle, goofy, and smart dog. He has lived with kids and other dogs, and he is super cuddly and playful. He goes potty outside, is kennel trained, walks nicely on a leash, and follows basic commands. He is being fostered through Animal Friends Alliance in Fort Collins and will soon be available for adoption.

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