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Meet Our Team at Pothitakis Law



Niko Pothitakis

Mr. Pothitakis was born in Fort Madison, Iowa. He attended the University of Iowa from 1984 through 1988, obtaining a degree in finance and a degree in economics with honors and with high distinction. He enrolled in the Fall of 1988 at the University of Texas School of Law in Austin. He received his Doctor of Jurisprudence in the Summer of 1991. In 2001, Mr. Pothitakis opened the Pothitakis Law Firm with a focus and expertise in Worker's Compensation and Personal Injury cases.

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- ▶ U.S. News & World Report Best Law Firms 2021 to 2023
- ▶ President, Iowa Association of Workers' Compensation Lawyers, Inc. 2016
- ▶ Best Lawyers In America—2017 to 2023 Listing
- ▶ Super Lawyers—2017 to 2021
- ▶ National Trial Lawyers—Top 100 Trial Lawyers 2018, 2019, 2020, 2023



Cindi Muff
 Paralegal

Cindi Muff was certified as a legal secretary in 1986 and has worked in the legal profession since that time. She has worked for Nicholas Pothitakis since 1995. She has been a paralegal at Pothitakis Law Firm, since 2003.



Janet Schafer
 Paralegal

Janet graduated in 1992 with a BA in Paralegal Studies. She has worked as a paralegal since then and joined Pothitakis Law Firm P.C. in 2005. She is compassionate and driven, fighting for the clients. Outside of work she is strong in her faith, and enjoys her family, reading and bike riding. Colossians 3:23



Kayla Ferguson
 Paralegal

Kayla has been with Pothitakis Law Firm since 2012. She graduated from Southeastern Community College in 2008 with a degree in Office Administration. Life outside of the office is spent with family, her husband Jesse, and their dogs Chip and Maggie.

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We take your family's safety and security personally.



Molly Markey
Paralegal

Molly graduated from the University of Northern Iowa with a degree in Early Childhood and Elementary Education in 2015. She ended up working as a legal assistant/paralegal in Des Moines before joining the firm in March 2020. In her free time, she enjoys spending time outside with friends and family.



Makayla Collier
Legal Assistant

Makayla Collier received her office support and office technology certifications in 2024 and will receive her degree in Business Administration with the pathway of Legal Office Management in May of 2025. Makayla joined Pothitakis Law Firm P.C. in April of 2024. In her free time, Makayla enjoys spending time with her family, being outdoors and traveling.



Kadee Krow
Legal Assistant

Kadee has been with Pothitakis Law Firm since February 2024. When she is not working, she is spending time with her family and her pets. Kadee has 2 cats: Khalifa and Calvin, and 2 dogs Elvis and Brewski.



Taylor Schafer
Legal Assistant

Taylor graduated with a BA in Business Management in 2018. Since then, she has built a diverse skill set through various leadership roles. Taylor recently relocated from Kansas to Iowa, and enjoys spending time with her husband, Henry, family, and their dog. She loves to travel both near and far and savor moments with a good cup of coffee.

What can a **Personal Injury Attorney** do for you?



Many car accident victims believe that insurance providers are on their side. However, every insurance company acts in its own interest, trying to minimize the insurance coverage claimed despite the severity of your car accident injuries and sustained losses.

Rarely are car accidents the same. This means that every car accident requires a unique approach and expert legal assessment to determine the best course of action. Trained legal representatives will help you understand your rights based on local legalities that vary from state to state. They will help you adhere to existing deadlines and provide all the necessary details to make a solid case.

Case Investigation

Any strong car accident claim relies on solid evidence about your sustained injuries, damage and losses as well as your innocence. A well-versed car accident lawyer will carry out an independent case investigation to build a success-oriented case.

They will gather evidence in the form of police reports, medical records and accident scene photos that support your personal injury claim. They can invite accident reconstruction experts who will share their unbiased opinions on the accident, proving your right to a fair settlement.

Insurance Company Negotiations

Negotiating with an insurance company is a complex and stressful process. Filing a proper car accident claim, which can be rejected based on anything the adjuster deems insufficient or missing, is also stressful.

An attorney will help you file the claim, including proper evidence, and negotiate on your behalf. This will ensure a favorable outcome. A personal injury lawyer will act in your best interest, saving you the frustration of the negotiation process so that you can focus on healing.

Maximizing Settlement Amount

Every insurance adjuster wants to reduce settlements on the cases they handle. Through legal leverage and a persuasive, confident approach, your attorney can secure a maximum settlement. There's no need for the injured party to go through this stressful experience alone.

Representation in Court

The most skilled negotiators may fail to settle a case without going to court. If the initial claim is denied, your attorney will file a car accident lawsuit and take the matter to trial.

Your legal representative will prepare all the necessary documents and guide you through the process. He/ She will deliver a strategy that will help you maximize the settlement you receive while reducing your involvement so that you can focus on your full recovery. Call our office today. We are here to help.

What is **Full Coverage**?

Full coverage is not a term used by insurance companies because no insurance company will be able to cover 100% of all situations. Full coverage is going to vary by the person and situation. Many states require "state minimum coverage".

- ▶ **Liability Coverage** This coverage is designed to protect you if you're found to be at fault in an accident. It can cover the other drivers' medical costs, lost wages, pain and suffering, repair or replacement of their vehicle or property and even some legal bills. This coverage does not cover you.
- ▶ **Uninsured/ Underinsured Motorist Coverage** This coverage requirement varies by state but is used when you are in an accident caused by another driver that does not have enough coverage.
- ▶ **Personal Injury Protection** This is meant to help cover you and your passengers' medical bills sustained during an accident.

Lenders and financial institutions may tell you to have full insurance coverage. They are referring to the coverage you have on your vehicle in the event of an accident. These coverages are optional but are often required by lenders.

- ▶ **Collision Coverage** This protects your vehicle in the event of a collision with another vehicle or object.
- ▶ **Comprehensive Coverage** This protects your vehicle in the event of an accident that is not related to a collision such as a deer running into your car, theft or vandalism.

The policyholder has the option to add a wide range of additional coverages they may think of when they hear the words "full coverage". This can include rental car coverage, roadside assistance and auto security. If you have been involved in an accident, call our office. We are here to help.



5 Star Reviews – See what our clients are saying

★★★★★ Thank you again for everything!!

Going to Pothitakis Law was my first experience dealing with an attorney. Needless to say, I had a lot of questions. I really didn't know what to expect but I cannot say enough good things about the entire law firm. Everyone there was so awesome at keeping things orderly and professional. No matter how many times I emailed or called them, they always got back to me right away. Even when I stopped by the office unexpectedly, Niko came out to talk to me. Sometimes it seemed as if they worked seven days a week and around the clock. My case was a bit of a drawn out complicated one but I always felt that I knew what was going on and what to expect next. Everyone there really made me feel as if I was there only client and I always felt that Niko had my best interest in mind. He was very straight forward and honest. There is a reason he has so many awards hanging around the office. He truly is amazing attorney. I've already happily recommended a couple of friends go speak to him after telling them how happy I was with the outcome he got me. Pothitakis law will always keep you protected and help you every step of the way. Thank you again for everything!! – Mike B.

★★★★★ If you are looking for help, trust Niko and his staff!

Niko, has a plethora of experience in his field. He represents his clients with the utmost knowledge and compassion. Always professional, personable and caring. The associates and staff at the firm are always courteous and helpful. If you are looking for help, trust Niko and his staff! – Zebulon B.



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Thanks to all of you who have recommended our firm to your relatives, friends, and neighbors. We appreciate your vote of confidence and pledge to care for these "VIPs" as well as we care for you.

The results from the cases of the Pothitakis Law Firm P.C. are diverse, and the results vary considerably. The case results are not a guarantee of future results, as they are specific to facts and legal circumstances of each client's case, and for this reason should not form the basis for future expectations on a different case. These cases may not be typical, and there are many factors that determine the result of a case. The determination of the need for legal services and the choice of a lawyer are extremely important decisions and should not be based solely upon advertisements or self-proclaimed expertise. All potential claimants are urged to make their own independent investigation or evaluation of any lawyer being considered.

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5 Star Reviews continued from above.

★★★★★ They work as a team , so you always know someone is always on your side.

This firm makes your experience with an attorney personal. They work as a team , so you always know someone is always on your side. I personally had them on my case for years , Sad to say, but not sure they were paid well enough for all there time involved. They are greatly appreciated for their service.– Diana D.

★★★★★ To the point and honest.

Niko was always to the point and honest about [my case]. Very courteous staff. Always able to speak with me and prompt on returning my calls. Thank you!! – C.L.

★★★★★ Thanks again for everything.

I am from North Carolina and I was looking for a firm to represent me with my workers comp case. I came across this law firm and felt I would be represented to the fullest. Niko and his team went above and beyond of what I expected. I would urge anyone who have been hurt on the job, to give the Pothitakis Law Firm a chance to represent them. I can assure you, that every question you have will be answered, and every phone call will be returned. He will fight to the very end and make sure you are happy with the results. In my case , this is exactly what happened. After 3 1/2 years, I ended with a settlement that I was extremely happy with. I wanna thank, Cindi and Kayla, who are also apart of the Pothitakis team. They made sure that all lines of communication were open and were very professional throughout this process. Thanks again for everything. – Derwin W.