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## FROM COFFEE TO CASE WINS

*How BLF Sets the Tone for the Day*

Not everyone is a morning person like me, and that is okay. We all have unique ways of getting ready for the day, and at The Button Law Firm, we embrace those differences. What matters is that we each find a morning rhythm that sets us up to have an intentional, focused, and meaningful day, individually and as a team.

Some of us cannot function until we have had that first cup of coffee (right, Rena Piper?), while others start by reading, working out, or setting intentions for the day ahead. Personally, I like to tackle the biggest challenge on my to-do list before making my rounds to check in with the team. It gives me a strong start and sets the momentum for the rest of the day.

Taking a moment to connect before diving into emails or casework also reinforces our core value of Family and Team. The stories we

hear and the cases we take on truly impact us emotionally. A simple “good morning” may seem small, but it ensures no one starts the day feeling alone or overwhelmed.

Beyond morning greetings, once a week, each department will sit down for a quick team meeting where we align on cases, marketing plans, and tasks for the week. These conversations keep us in sync and allow us to celebrate our wins. Whether it is a breakthrough in a case or a small but meaningful milestone, we recognize each other’s hard work.

We know how we begin the day impacts how we handle challenges, interact with each other, and ultimately serve our clients. That is why we encourage everyone on our team to find a morning routine that puts them in the right mindset to be their best. Some people need quiet time to focus before jumping into tasks, while others find energy in collaboration and conversation. There is no single way to start the day, but there is value in finding what works best for you.

More than anything, our mornings are about shifting our mindset from just waking up to showing up with purpose. We remind ourselves why we do this work, the families who rely on us, the negligent parties that need to be held accountable, and the difference we can make. When we carry that shared purpose, even the most challenging days feel a little lighter. Every morning is an opportunity to recommit to our mission, to bring energy and focus into our work, and to be there for our clients who are counting on us to help their families after a life-altering event.

Now, we want to hear from you. What is one thing you do in the morning that sets the tone for a great day? Whether it is a strong cup of coffee, a few minutes of meditation, or blasting your favorite playlist on the way to work, share it with us on social media or reach out to us directly and let us know.

*-Russell Button*



# 'EVERYONE DESERVES A FEEL-GOOD MOMENT'

## HOW EURIKA TRANSFORMED OUR INTAKE PROCESS

In just two years, Eurika, our ever-compassionate intake specialist, has transformed our client intake process and touched the hearts of all who speak with her. She first joined BLF in April 2023 and has since become a pillar of our firm, bringing peace of mind to countless clients who reach out to us.



As a mother, grandmother, and past educator, hearing these stories of neglect is never easy. Still, Eurika knows her efforts and compassion are fuel to help resolve these cases. That's why, no matter what, Eurika will always bring a kind heart and in-depth service to all who reach out to us, whether that's finding additional

resources or referrals to other attorneys in our nationwide network or simply being a shoulder to lean on as clients share their troubles and concerns.

Eurika's kind greeting is often the first interaction clients have with our firm, and when asked what the most fulfilling part of her role is, she said it was seeing a family's case from beginning to end. "It's rewarding to know that I was there for them throughout the whole process," Eurika shared. "A few of the cases that are just now coming to a successful close were some of the first calls I handled two years ago! It simply feels like it all comes full circle."

Every team member at BLF can attest to Eurika's boundless positivity and kindness. Russell shared:

*"When we set out to build our intake division, Eurika joined BLF, and it was a*

*game-changer, hands-down. Her hard work and energy have uplifted us and our clients every single day, and everyone who calls our office or works here can feel it. Our firm from before Eurika and after does not look the same and is better than we could have ever hoped for."*

As Eurika looks ahead to the coming year, she hopes to continue her passions: being there for her grandchildren and getting one step closer to becoming a published author. We will be cheering her on and supporting her along the way!

Eurika, you always go out of your way to bring a little light to someone's day because, as you often say, **"Everyone deserves a feel-good moment."** We'll be by your side to continue spreading the love and uplifting those around us. The future is bright with Eurika on our team!

# A NIGHT TO REMEMBER

## The BLF Team Takes on a Dallas Mavericks Game

At The Button Law Firm, we take our core value of Family and Team seriously—inside and outside the office. Recently, we had the incredible opportunity to attend a Dallas Mavericks game together, thanks to our friends at Hamilton Wingo, who generously invited us to enjoy the game from their suite. It was a night filled with excitement, team bonding, and, of course, a Mavericks victory over the Golden State Warriors!

From the moment we arrived at the American Airlines Center, the energy was electric. Being in a suite allowed us to enjoy great food, relax, and watch the game from an amazing vantage point. More importantly, it allowed us to spend quality time together outside of work, strengthening the bond that makes BLF special.

As a team, we work hard every day to fight for our clients, but moments like these remind us how important it is to celebrate our wins, both big and small. Whether attempting to catch a T-shirt,



analyzing plays like seasoned sports commentators, or just enjoying the atmosphere, the night was filled with nonstop laughter.

We want to extend a huge **thank you to Hamilton Wingo** for hosting us in their suite and giving us this opportunity to enjoy a night of fun and great basketball. Their generosity made this experience possible, and we're grateful for the chance to strengthen relationships within our firm and with others who share our commitment to making a difference.

At the end of the night, we left the arena feeling recharged, reminded once again why we love being part of The Button Law Firm. Here's to more moments like this — both in and out of the office! Go Mavs!

# AFRAID AND ALONE FOR 40 MINUTES

## How We Helped a Family After Their Child Was Locked in a Bathroom at Daycare

In just moments, a child can go unnoticed, and a traumatic event can unfold. Children's experiences leave a profound mark on their growth and often shape the rest of their lives. That's why responsible supervision would seem like an obvious requirement at any daycare, but daycare facilities often fail to meet this basic responsibility. Take the recent story of a toddler, whom we'll call Emily, and how our team worked to support her and her family.

Emily, just 4 years old, was left completely alone when she was accidentally locked inside a boy's restroom for nearly 40 minutes. Scared, confused, and overwhelmed, Emily cried and was utterly helpless as she waited for someone to rescue her. Unfortunately, no one did. It wasn't until another child opened the door that Emily could escape. Despite being missing for such a prolonged period, not



a single daycare staff member knew she was missing. In fact, it wasn't until Emily's parents picked her up that anyone noticed she was visibly upset and crying. Only after her parents demanded to review the surveillance footage did the caregivers realize what had occurred.

While 40 minutes might not seem extensive to an adult, it felt like an eternity for a 4-year-old child, afraid and alone. As a result, Emily has experienced mental anguish ever since the incident. Once a calm and happy child, she now struggles with overwhelming

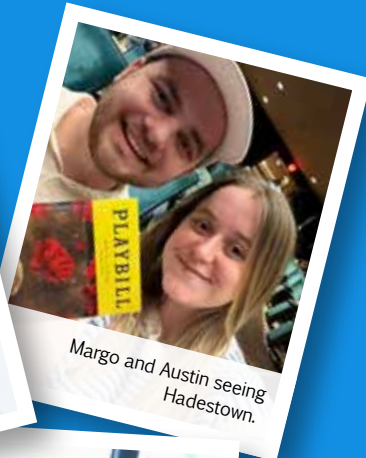
anxiety and emotional outbursts. Emily cries when her brother plays with anyone but her, she breaks down if she doesn't sleep by her mother's side, and she even leaves her small shoes in doorways to prevent the door from closing and locking her in again. Clearly, this event has taken a toll on Emily's psychological health and has affected the members of her family.

Emily has had to receive professional treatment to heal these wounds and will likely need to continue therapy for the foreseeable future. With our team's dedication, we secured justice and a life-changing result for Emily's family so they don't have to worry about the medical costs. We ensured that from now on, they only have to focus on her recovery and giving Emily the love and care every child deserves. This is what we stand for here at The Button Law Firm.

## BLF HIGHLIGHT REEL



Elizabeth and Briana at the Baton Rouge Wearin' of the Green Parade.



Margo and Austin seeing Hadestown.



Lilia and her family on vacation in Mexico.

## CLIENT REVIEW

*"I highly recommend The Button Law Firm. I reached out to them for help and guidance after I was involved in a car wreck and had no idea what to do. I spoke with Rosie, who was able to provide me with information and resources that were very helpful. Their entire team is extremely kind and professional."*

*-Mary Cuevas*

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## WHEN SUPERVISION SLIPS How Lack of Daycare Supervision Puts Children at Risk

Far too often, the trust between parents and daycare providers is broken, and the consequences can be devastating. **When daycare supervision fails, these are the top five most common injuries we see:**

- 1 BOTTLE WARMER BURNS**  
Without someone keeping a close eye, curious little hands can reach the hot surfaces of bottle warmers or even spill the boiling liquid, leading to painful burns. We have seen small children suffer from not only blistered skin but severe burns that require ongoing medical care.
- 2 LOCKED INSIDE DAYCARE VANS OR OUTSIDE A CENTER**  
Sadly, there are too many cases where children were either forgotten in daycare vans or left outside during playtime. When a child's body temperature spikes past 104 degrees, it can lead to heatstroke or even death.
- 3 CHOKING**  
Choking can happen in complete silence, whether it's a snack that isn't cut small enough or a toy that toddlers try to chew on. All it takes to keep your child safe is proper supervision, yet unfortunately, this isn't always guaranteed.
- 4 FALL INJURIES**  
Playgrounds, high chairs, and changing tables are all places where a simple fall can lead to a serious injury. Children of all ages can suffer traumatic brain injuries from falls that could have been avoided with just a little more attention.
- 5 FINGER INJURIES**  
It only takes seconds for a door to slam shut or a drawer to slide closed on tiny fingers. When left unattended, children's fingers can become crushed, trapped, or squeezed between objects.

**Proper supervision is the bare minimum for a safe daycare environment.** Every child deserves attentive care and protection from their caregivers, and we will always do our best to keep daycares accountable and provide parents peace of mind.