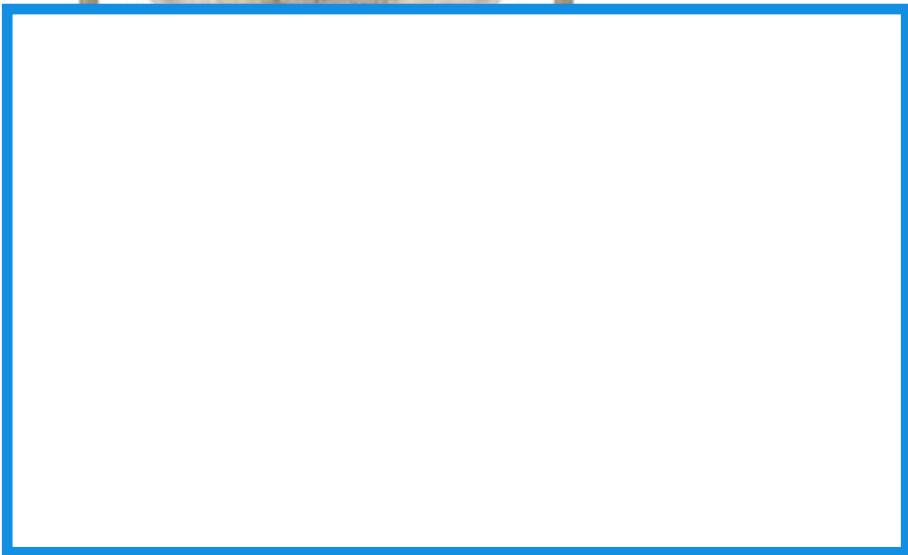


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BEWARE DAYCARE HORROR STORIES

Real-Life Cases That Are Haunting

As Halloween approaches, thinking of spooky stories and haunted tales is natural. But for many families, the real horror stories are the ones they never expected — the ones that happen at daycare centers. We've seen firsthand the devastating impact these nightmares can have on families, and it's our mission to bring justice and change in the childcare industry.

the chair's strap was broken, the poor child was thrown out, hitting his head on the ground. He suffered a skull fracture and a brain bleed — serious injuries no parent should ever have to deal with. To make matters worse, the daycare didn't report the incident, and it wasn't until the child's mother noticed symptoms and took him to the hospital that the truth came out. When we got involved, we discovered the daycare had even tried to discard the broken chair in a dumpster to cover up their negligence.

headcount. The child was left in the van for an extended period, suffering from heat-related injuries. Unfortunately, incidents like this are all too common in Texas, where the heat can turn a simple mistake into a life-threatening situation.

One of the most frightening aspects of daycare injuries is how frequently they occur and how often they are not reported. Many parents are unaware that they can self-report incidents, and daycares often fail to report these injuries to the state, either due to ignorance of the law or a deliberate attempt to cover up negligence.

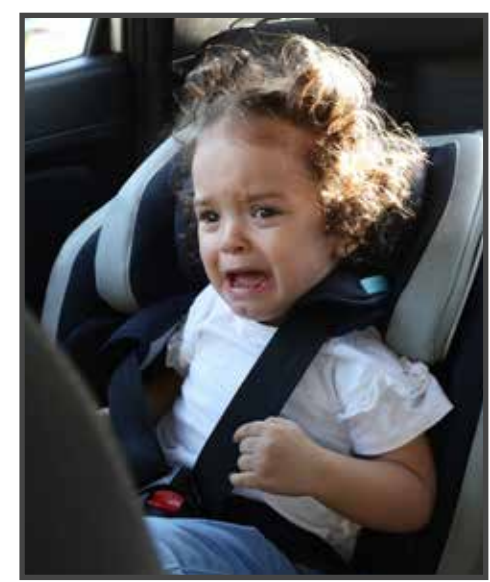
Another case involved a child who was left in a hot daycare vehicle after being picked up from school. It was the middle of the day when temperatures were at their highest, and the daycare failed to do a proper

Then there's the case of a child who had a severe peanut allergy. Despite the daycare being fully aware of the allergy, with forms on file and reminders posted throughout the facility, the child was still served peanut butter. The child had a severe allergic reaction, passed out, and required emergency medical attention. This was another preventable incident, a horror story no family should endure.

Thousands of children are injured at daycare centers every year, often due to preventable issues like lack of supervision, unsafe environments, and poorly trained staff. These aren't just accidents — they're nightmares that could have been avoided with proper care and attention.

Let me share a few real-life cases that illustrate the kind of daycare horror stories we encounter often.

The first involved a little boy who was just a few months old. He was placed in a bouncy chair at his daycare, which, unfortunately, combined age groups and lacked proper supervision. Older kids began playing with the chair, flipping it backward, and because



At The Button Law Firm, we advocate for children and families. We understand the complexities of daycare injury cases and are committed to holding negligent daycare centers accountable. As we enjoy the Halloween season, let's remember that someone else's negligence causes the real horror stories. Don't hesitate to take action if you suspect that your child has been injured at daycare. For more information, download our free guides: "Five-Step Guide for Parents Dealing With a Daycare Injury" or our "10 Tips for Finding a Safe Daycare." We're here to help you navigate these challenging situations and ensure no family has to face these nightmares alone.

-Russell Button

WHY REFERRALS MATTER

Connecting Our Community With the Best Legal Support

Throughout the year, personal referrals have been our No. 1 source of new cases and opportunities to make a difference. Whatever legal issue it may be, we've been able to offer a helping hand. If you know someone facing a legal challenge, no matter the type, please don't hesitate to recommend The Button Law Firm. We're here to ensure they get the help they need.



- **Childcare and Injury Cases:** Our primary focus and where we can help you receive the justice you deserve.
- **Nationwide Network:** Referring people to the right attorneys for their cases, even outside of Texas.
- **Connecting Resources:** Helping you find the resources and help you need with family law, immigration, criminal matters, and more.

We want to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who has referred us to their friends and loved ones. Your trust means the world to us, and we are honored to be the resource you turn to when someone needs legal help.

OUR DAY AT GARLAND ISD'S BLOCK PARTY

SPREADING SMILES AND SAFETY TIPS AT THE BACK-TO-SCHOOL BASH

The Button Law Firm recently had a fantastic time at the Garland ISD Back-to-School Block Party! This lively event brought together families, educators, and community members to celebrate the start of a new school year. BLF lawyers Russell Button and Kaitlyn Moreno represented

the firm, sharing their passion for helping families while connecting with the Garland community *outside* the office.

Held at Webb Middle School, the event was an excellent opportunity for BLF to share valuable resources with local families. Russell and Kaitlyn gave out our helpful guides, including "10 Tips for Finding a Safe Daycare" and "5 Steps to Take After a Daycare Injury." To add a little flair to the day, they also gave away stylish BLF sunglasses, ensuring everyone left with a smile (and a new pair of shades).

For Kaitlyn, this event was extra special. As a proud alumnus of Webb Middle School, returning to her old stomping grounds was a heartwarming experience. "Going back to my middle school was a full-circle moment

for me," Kaitlyn shared with a smile. "If you had told me in sixth, seventh, or eighth grade that I would one day come back as a lawyer, I would have laughed and said, 'Yeah, right!' It was so rewarding to return and help my community, especially by educating parents on daycare safety."

The Button Law Firm is incredibly grateful for the chance to engage with the Garland community and share resources that can make a real difference. As the new school year kicks off, BLF is excited to continue its work advocating for child safety and helping families navigate challenging situations. Their time at the Back-to-School Block Party wasn't just about providing resources—it was about being a positive, supportive presence in the communities they care so much about.



IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE

The Day a Simple Lunch Became a Life-Altering Event

A quiet meal at a fast-food restaurant became a nightmare for our client, whom we'll call Jason. One moment, he was enjoying his meal, and the next, a car slammed through the restaurant walls, crashing into the area where he was sitting. The impact was so violent that it could have easily claimed Jason's life. Had he chosen a different table, just a few feet away, the outcome might have been tragically different. This haunting thought lingers with Jason daily, a reminder of how close he came to death.

The collision was so intense that Jason first thought a bomb had gone off or that they were under attack — an event that strikes fear in every American's heart. The trauma of the situation overwhelmed him, causing him to black out. When he regained consciousness, he found himself surrounded by debris; he narrowly missed being impaled by the wreckage.

EMS responded quickly, treating Jason at the scene before rushing him to the emergency department.

Jason's injuries were extensive. He suffered a head injury, cuts, bruises, and pain throughout his body. The physical pain was severe but only part of the story. Jason now faces a long road of neurological treatment for severe PTSD and his head injury, as well as ongoing care for the pain in other areas of his body. The emotional and psychological toll has been immense, with Jason's life forever altered by the incident.

At The Button Law Firm, we were honored to provide Jason with the support he needed to navigate this challenging time. Our team worked diligently to ensure he received the justice he deserved, helping him secure the necessary resources for his ongoing



recovery. While nothing can erase the trauma Jason has endured, we are grateful to have played a role in helping him find some measure of closure.

Our heart goes out to Jason and every other person who has experienced such a traumatic injury like this one. The BLF team will always be here to help you on your journey to justice and healing.

DON'T LET YOUR CHILD BE FORGOTTEN

How Face-to-Name Checks Prevent Daycare Tragedies

We've seen a troubling rise in cases of children being lost amid the hustle and bustle of Texas daycare centers. Alarming, real-life cases include a toddler leaving the daycare unnoticed in Allen and even a 3-year-old girl wandering onto a busy highway in Nacogdoches. These incidents highlight a larger problem: **Some daycare centers are failing to follow essential safety procedures such as face-to-name checks.**

WHAT ARE FACE-TO-NAME CHECKS?

Face-to-name checking is a simple but vital procedure designed to ensure the safety of children in daycare. It involves a daycare worker calling out each child's name and matching it to the child's face, visually confirming the child is present. This practice should be done regularly throughout the day, particularly during critical transitions such as:

- **Changing Classrooms:** When children move from one classroom to another, face-to-name checks ensure the new teacher knows which children are now in their care.
- **Group Movements:** Whether moving children from the classroom to the playground or back again, face-to-name checks help ensure no child is left behind.
- **Field Trips:** These checks are essential during field trips to ensure all children are safe and accounted for throughout the outing.
- **Transportation:** When children are transported by van or bus, face-to-name checks should be conducted as they enter and exit the vehicle to prevent any child from being left behind.

WHAT ARE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NEGLECTING THESE CHECKS?

Children younger than five are particularly vulnerable when daycare centers do not perform face-to-name checks. Potential dangers include:

- **Being Left in Vehicles:** A child locked inside a daycare bus or van can quickly overheat, leading to heatstroke or even death.
- **Exposure to Harsh Elements:** A child left outside on a hot or cold day could suffer from hypothermia, heatstroke, or an asthma attack.
- **Wandering Away:** An unsupervised child could wander away from the daycare, potentially leading to unspeakable consequences.

HOW CAN DAYCARE CENTERS IMPROVE THEIR PROCEDURES?

These dangerous situations often arise because daycare centers cut corners, fail to train staff properly, or do not maintain the facility. When daycare centers neglect these basic safety protocols, the consequences can be life-threatening.

If your child has been seriously injured due to a daycare center's failure to conduct face-to-name checks, it's crucial to hold the facility accountable. When you take action, you can help ensure no other child has to experience the same risks. Contact our team at The Button Law Firm to get more answers to your questions and to hold negligent daycares accountable.

BLF HIGHLIGHT REEL



CLIENT REVIEW

"After going through countless traumatic experiences within the troubled teen industry, I couldn't have asked for a better team to represent myself and the girls I went through these hardships with. Through every single step, they were there with more support than I could've imaged. Not only did Russell and the team help us to come to the best possible outcome, but the process we went through to come to these terms met me with an overloading amount of healing I never thought I would get. I wouldn't have taken any other route. From the front desk receptionist, the paralegals, and lawyers, everyone was highly involved and supportive in every aspect of the process. To mention some of these folks: Ashley, Rosie, Jacky, Cristina, Rena, and Russell all played a huge part in this case for us. With such a unique case, and something that had never really been done before, the girls didn't really know what to expect, but we had the best team to represent and empower us. The Button Law Firm was exceptional to work with and I couldn't be more delighted. I will forever be thankful for these folks and will always be in touch!"

-Allanah T.