# Police and Corrections: Negligence and Abuse of Authority

## Have you been injured in police custody or in a correctional facility?

The police, and justice system institutions such as correctional facilities, must uphold the law and maintain the fundamental human rights of those they interact with. Misconduct, negligence, or abuse of authority can result in:

- Injuries occurring while in police custody
- Injuries occurring while in a correctional facility
- Assault by police, prison guard and/or other inmate
- Failure to maintain the fundamental human rights of persons in custody
- Psychological damages
- Racial Profiling, unwarranted search, and/or unwarranted arrest
- Negligent investigations
- Violations of Rights and Freedoms guaranteed by the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms

Police and correctional facilities have the power to limit a person's individual freedoms, but they can do so only to the extent allowed by law. Individuals and communities are entitled to respect and dignity when dealing with police and corrections actors.

If you have been injured while in police custody, or in a correctional facility, or have been victimized by other inmates while in custody, or have

been subjected to degrading treatment, we want to hear from you. Police accountability to the communities they serve, and the accountability of justice system institutions is fundamental to a free and democratic society.

When you have a legal matter and need to hire a lawyer, you may be able to pay for these services on a contingency basis. That means you only pay legal fees if you receive money because your case wins or you get a negotiated settlement. Please see our Contingency Fee section for answers to frequently asked questions and see each lawyer's individual biography for their maximum contingency fee rates.

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