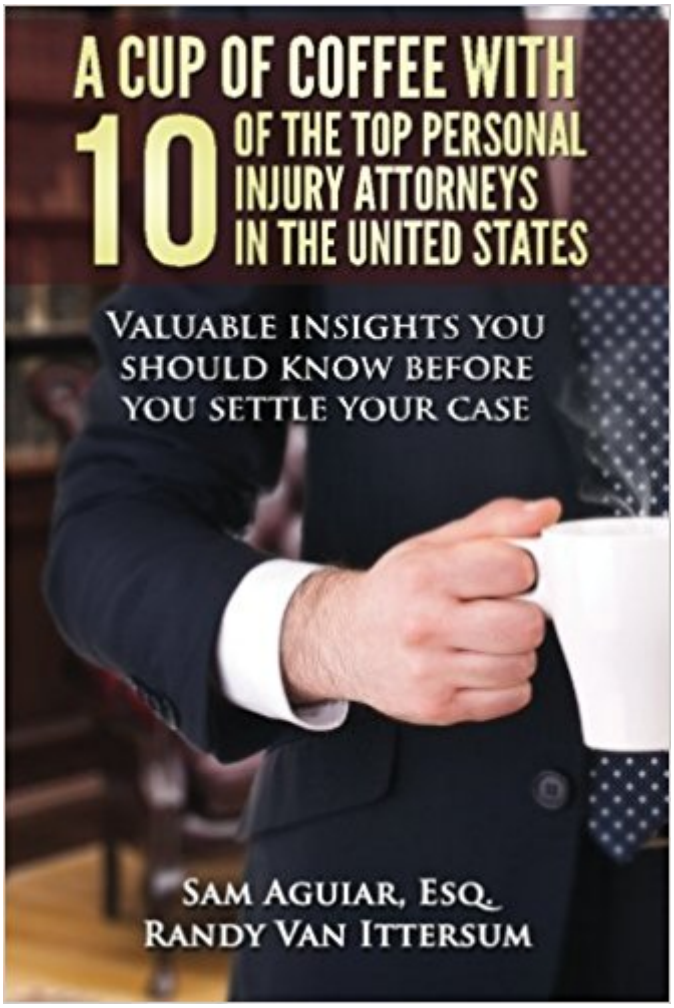
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Synopsis

A Cup Of Coffee With 10 Of The Top Personal Injury Attorneys In The United States Ã¢â ¬â œ This book is for anyone who has been seriously injured in an accident. Ten of the top personal injury attorneys in the United States will provide you with valuable insights, guide you through the hazardous steps of filing a claim, and shepherd you around the landmines when dealing with insurance companies. If you are the victim of an accident that was due to the negligence of another person or company, you are entitled to compensation for your injuries. Unfortunately, most people donÃ¢â ¬â„¢t realize that insurance companies have no incentive to be fair or to fully compensate you for your injuries. Their unstated goal is to find ways to deny your claim or minimize their liability, and pay you as little as possible. We asked 10 of the best personal injury attorneys to share their insights about what you should know before you settle your claim. I personally believe this is the most powerful and enlightening book ever written on the subject.

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This book was a pleasure to read because it reveals insights into the way the best of the best personal injury attorneys conduct their practice. There were some very specific examples of the cases which altered and directed the tactics needed to obtain justice for their clients. In one

instance, recalled by Collin Kennedy, we are able to see the anguish experienced by Kennedy's desire to ensure justice for parents who had lost their child in an accident which could have been prevented. Kennedy describes a late-night trip to Home Depot in order to buy materials to demonstrate how easily and cheaply an apartment swimming pool gate could have been fixed so that this tragedy would never have happened, and how this demonstration led to a just verdict for the distraught family.This is must-read resource for anyone who is considering settling a personal injury case. There just may be some advice which will help to obtain the desired verdict.

I enjoyed this book for the things we all should know, such as Mr. Kennedy's writing about the influence of social media on cases and new laws coming down the pike about texting while driving. We better listen and learn. Excellent teaching and written so anyone can understand.

Collin Kennedy's section was enlightening and refreshing. With just the right amount of humor!

I love the Cup of Coffee series of books, I've purchase every single one of them. This book on personal injury attorneys has very valuable content and just about everyone will get some golden nuggets out of it. I recently was involved in an accident where my spine was fractured and broken in 3 places, and all the things involved in recovery and rehabilitation is extremely overwhelming, not to mention the medical bills. After reading this book, it gives you a better sense that there is professional help out there to guide you through the legal issues involved when you've been injured in an accident. I never knew that pretty much all over the US you could get legal help with a personal injury case for free from most personal injury attorneys, they cover the up front costs of the legal fees and get compensated after the case is settled. This book was eye opening to the fact that if we didn't have personal injury attorneys helping to keep product manufacturers in check, there would be a lot more unsafe products on the market causing many people injury or death. Also, injury attorneys help keep people, companies and organizations more accountable for there actions when they cause accidents. Some of the stories of real cases are sad and tragic, and it really makes you think twice about public safety and your personal safety, I know I do now that I'm recovering from a serious personal injury accident. Great go to book.

It is somewhat of a paradox to write a review of this book - as 'Yes' I'm reviewing this book. I'm also gauging the title - that - as it implies - it is meant as more of an overview than an in-depth study all inclusive study of 'everything' we need and want to know.The other paradox is - our legal system

(and insurance industry) is More than flawed! So I find it a challenge to Only review this book - without the conundrums of the binds that many of us 'injured clients' are stuck in.Like - this book encourages us to choose a 'Good Personal Injury Lawyer' - yet the few means suggested are a couple of websites - that Don't offer the Depth of review I Need. I have NOT found a system or way to local and determine If a Lawyer is 'Good' at what they do - AND a person of Integrity. I have hired various types of lawyers over the years - and without some sort of inside information - end up VERY disappointed - and misled by them.On some positive notes - I Do think there is enough invaluable information in here - that for someone who has been injured (Especially Recently!!) - this book is a Must-Read!It is 249 pages - averaging about 20+ pages per the ten lawyers who contributed. There is some restating what the others have said - for example - Many of them say to have the maximum amount of auto insurance (for injuries) and Uninsured Motorist.These lawyers are from around the country. I happen to live in Massachusetts - yet - none of these lawyers are from New England or even New York.Also - more than one - claims that with the 'Contingency Fee' system - 'Everyone' is included. - That is simply Not So!!There are plenty of victimized people out there - who Can't get a lawyer (or at least a good one) to take their claim on Contingency - and they have No financial resources to hire someone. - And - if it's Not an iron-clad - $$ case - the lawyer will simply Not take it - So that is Not true. (people get Excluded)Here are some highlights from (some) my notes (as I read)p.5 The author interviewed 250 lawyers - to pick from for this book.p.8 (chapter #1) Sam Aguiar (and primary author of this book) He says up front that he loves sports and will use such analogies in his chapter. - Not being a sports person - I'm Glad he did Not go overboard on this.- He mentioned the 'National Trial Lawyers (Association - Alabama??) - which I called - and they offered NO help other than a local referral. (again - How can I know Any In-Depth information about Any lawyer??)p.11 (a book recommendation) 'The Dark Side of Insurance'.p.15 Do NOT sign a 'blanket medical authorization' - limit authorizations to specific information.p.26 (in Ky) 911 calls can be obtained in written transcript.p.27 preservation of phone records.p.23 'How to pick a lawyer'? - (this question is NOT answered)p.32 Trucking accidents - Federal laws are complex!p.42 (chapter & lawyer #2) Janet Ward Black (N. Carolina)p.44 Insurance adjusters are NOT your friend!p.45-46 'Find the Right lawyer - the Right match' (Again - NO explanation as to HOW?!)p.57 beware of Facebook and videosp.58 Insurance companies hiring private lawyers - to follow and investigate you.p.63 'Cost-Benefit Analysis' - done by lawyer (NO formula offered here - or guide)p.67 (chapter & lawyer #3) Gerald Stahl (Michigan)p.68 He's a 10 out of 10 on Av vo (dot com)p.70 Subrogation Rights.p.72 He only takes cases he believes in (I.E. - he can make $$ with)p.76 The importance of having an atty who is known to the insurance companies as being 'Serious' and 'Prepared'. -

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A very helpful and well-needed book. In particular, Janet Ward Black’s segment on the use of contingency vs retainer fees will be encouraging for those who are concerned about the costs of engaging a personal injury attorney.

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