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Left Turning Vehicles – Who’s at Fault

Article by Rose

Many of the cases before our courts where a judge is asked to determine fault, involve left turning vehicles. While the determination of who is at fault really turns on the particular facts, especially when it involves a left turning vehicle, there are a few factors which can be determinative.

Section 174 of the *Motor Vehicle Act* is the principle piece of legislation which is relevant to a determination of liability in a left turning situation. That section of the Act provides as follows:

When a vehicle is in an intersection and its driver intends to turn left, the driver must yield the right of way to traffic approaching from the opposite direction that is in the intersection or so close as to constitute an immediate hazard, but having yielded and given a signal as required by sections 171 and 172, the driver may turn the vehicle to the left, and traffic approaching the intersection from the opposite direction must yield the right of way to the vehicle making the left turn.

The primary question for determining fault is whether an oncoming vehicle was an “immediate hazard” or not. If there is a traffic light, the color of the light at the time of the impact is one of the most important factors. An important part of the analysis is the location of the vehicles at the time that the light turned amber and whether a motorist who is intending to travel straight through an intersection can safely bring his or her vehicle to a stop once the light has turned to amber. An amber light for a motorist intending to travel straight through an intersection requires that motorist to bring

their vehicle to a stop if they can do so safely. If there is more than one lane of travel going through the intersection, if other motorists were able to come to a safe stop for the amber light there will be a heavy onus on all motorists to do so. An amber light in this circumstance changes a straight through motorist from a dominant to a servient motorist and requires them to yield the right of way to left turning motorists.

An amber light for a left turning vehicle may be the time when that motorist is required to clear the intersection. A left turning motorist has an obligation to clear the intersection once it is safe to do so. They are the servient motorist and must yield the right of way to other vehicles. That shifts however once the light changes to amber and the left turner is now the dominant driver and the motorist travelling straight through the intersection must yield the right of way to the left turner. There are endless examples of how left turn cases are analysed by our courts.

A recent one was *Swieczko v. Nehme* 2016 BCSC 399. In this case the defendant was travelling westbound in the curb lane and the collision occurred as the plaintiff was turning left from the eastbound turn lane on an amber/near red light. The trial judge found the defendant to be 100% responsible for the accident. Her analysis described the plaintiff as the left turning dominant driver and the defendant as the straight through driver was servient.

She found that the defendant was thus obliged under s. 174 of the *Motor Vehicle Act* to yield the right of way to the plaintiff.



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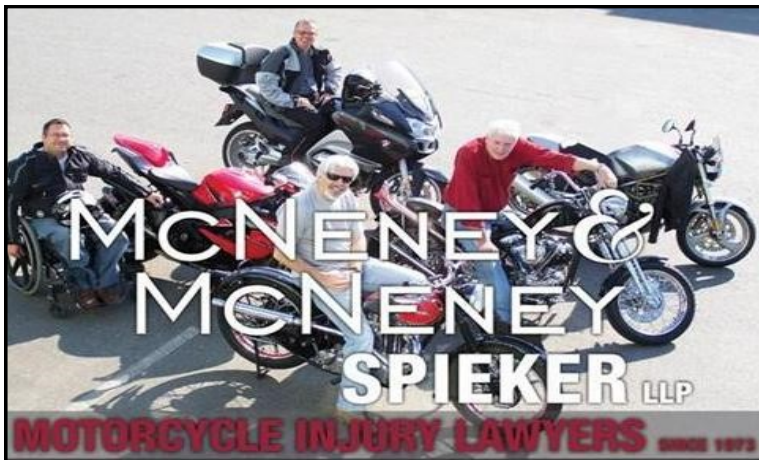


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According to the Province of British Columbia, full-face helmets provide the best protection in a collision and bright-coloured helmets are easier for other road users to see; however, full-face helmets and visors are not mandatory in B.C. and the new regulations allow riders to wear any colour of helmet.

In addition to ensuring that your helmet meets DOT, Snell or ECE helmet safety standards, you should keep in mind the following tips when buying a helmet, according to the B.C. government:

Go for fit. Your helmet should feel snug around the entire head. Wear it for 10 to 15 minutes in the store to ensure no pressure points develop; these can cause headaches while riding. Be aware that the padding may compress over time and the fit may become looser.

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The helmet chin strap is important; it keeps the helmet on your head if you're in a crash. Check the chin strap mechanism. Make sure it's easy to fasten, release and adjust. Be sure it can be fastened securely.

- Avoid buying a used helmet. It may have been in a crash and the damage may not be obvious.

- Already own a helmet? You should replace it if it's been dropped, in a crash or showing signs of wear.

by [Kirsten Armleder](#) |Riderswest Magazine



In Memory of Denis Scott




Denis was a Director at large for AIM volunteering at events. He had a natural gift, for making people feel comfortable and loved to talk. He was always happy and smiling, cracking jokes leaving a Positive impression. He had a good life and lived it to the fullest. One of my favorite memories of Denis is looking at sky and spotting the birds and making a positive comment.



A Celebration Of Life was held in July 2016 in Richmond BC and was a beautiful service. The entire Scott Family wants to Thank everyone who showed up to the Celebration of Life for Denis. His amazing smile will be missed but never forgotten.

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
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According to the *Insurance (Vehicle) Act*, RS.B.C.1996, c. 231, ICBC may be added as a defendant to a lawsuit where the driver causing bodily injury, death or property damage left the scene without providing their information. First, you will need to take all reasonable steps to ascertain who the unidentified driver was. This may include posting signs along the road where the accident occurred or publishing a notice in the local newspaper to search for any eyewitnesses. Second, you must notify the police within 24 to 48 hours to receive a file number and advise of the accident, injury and damage. Finally, you need to contact ICBC to provide a written statement as soon as reasonably practicable, or in any event, within six months of the accident. In some instances, you may be required to complete a sworn affidavit in the prescribed 'CL-45' format. In every instance, you will have a duty to cooperate with ICBC while their investigation continues.

Once your claim is accepted, you may be entitled to 'Accident Benefits' by way of initial medical treatment, medical rehabilitation expenses, weekly disability or wage loss benefits, death benefits, funeral expenses in addition to compensation for your injuries and property damage. The limitations on property damage will include a \$750 deductible unless you purchased collision coverage with a lower deductible. The limit for Accident Benefits is \$150,000 and in many cases your injury claim may be limited to \$200,000.

It is worth knowing that ICBC has some of the best coverage available for legitimate victims receiving injury or sustaining damage in hit and run accidents. These claims can be difficult to prove however, and the courts have denied claimants who have not met their obligations. If you are involved or witness a hit and run accident, try to collect the licence plate number, make, model and driver description of the offending vehicle. Contact the police and ICBC to forward this information and provide your version of the accident.



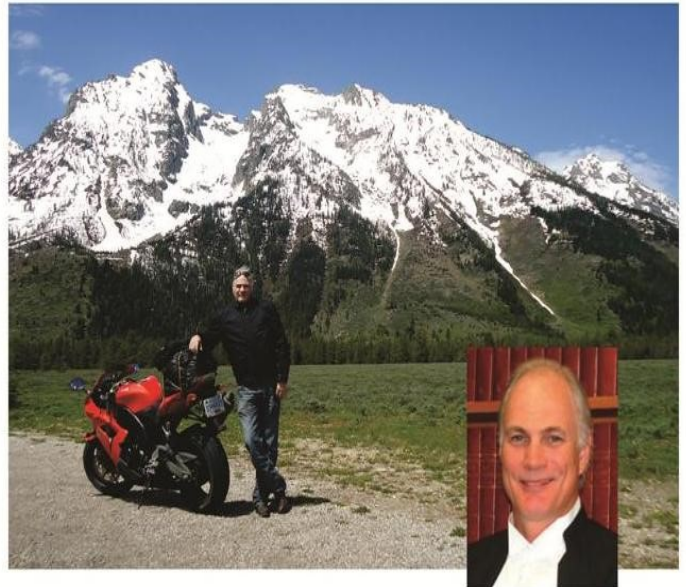
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As a witness, this courtesy may greatly assist those who have been injured and would not otherwise receive their entitlement.

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October 2016

October 1, 2016 - **Ernie Dau Celebration of Life** - 7:00 pm @ Sangham Palace, 11267 - 125A St., Surrey, BC. Ernie Dau has passed away. Come and share your remembrances.

October 2, 2016 - **Trev Deeley's Toy Run Afterburner Party** - all day @ 1875 Boundary Road, Vancouver, BC. 604-291-2453 or <http://www.trevdeeley.com/>.

October 2, 2016 - **Vancouver Toy Run** - Sunday. Contact: BCCOM: 604-580-0111 or www.bccom-bc.com.

October 20, 2016 - **A.I.M. MONTHLY MEETING** - Every third Thursday @ 7:00 pm at the ABC Restaurant, 101 - 15373 Fraser Highway, Surrey, BC. 604-580-0112; info@aimvancouver.com; <http://www.aimvancouver.com>

November 2016

November 17, 2016 - **A.I.M. MONTHLY MEETING** - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. Thursday @ 7:00 pm at the ABC Restaurant, 101 - 15373 Fraser Highway, Surrey, BC. 604-580-0112; info@aimvancouver.com; <http://www.aimvancouver.com>

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October 1, 2016 -

Ernie Dau Celebration of Life -
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