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a workers' compensation attorney can do for you

We can do the following to help put you in control and let you focus on getting better.

1 Handle all the details:

- · Complete complicated paperwork for you
- Make sure all procedures are followed correctly
- · Meet strict deadlines

Guide and communicate with you:

- Advise you on which workers' comp benefits you may be entitled to
- · Listen to your questions and tell you the truth
- · Devise a plan to try to protect your job

3 Protect your rights:

- Fight back if you're feeling coerced into returning to work too soon or accepting light duty work
- Strategize with you on how and when to seek a second medical opinion, if necessary
- Monitor the insurance company's nurse case manager for compliance with the rules

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Build and manage your case:

- Collect and examine your medical records and other evidence
- Move your case forward while trying to avoid all pitfalls and delays
- Depose doctors, witnesses, and others, if needed

6 Pursue maximum compensation, fast:

- Fight for everything you may deserve, including:
 - Full lost wage replacement benefits
 - Payment for medical treatment, surgery, and related expenses
 - The highest possible lump sum settlement, including compensation for:
 - permanent bodily damage
 - future medical expenses
 - permanent work restrictions

Level the playing field:

- Negotiate and communicate on your behalf with your employer's insurance carrier
- Fight for fast approval of treatments, procedures, and prescriptions
- Counter lowball offers and delay tactics designed to pay less on your case

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Dispute a denial:

- Argue your case in front of a neutral third party mediator, if needed
- · Present your case at a formal Hearing, if needed
- Appeal your case in certain instances

Each case is unique and must be evaluated on its own merits. Prior results do not guarantee a similar outcome. Offices in Durham (Main), Raleigh, Charlotte, Greensboro, NC, and Greenville, SC. Attorney Michael Shepherd: 555 South Mangum St., Suite 800, Durham, NC.

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