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The Law Offices of Paul H. Nathan exclusively represents women on family law issues, including divorce, custody, and support proceedings. We also handle cases involving serious injuries caused by another person's negligence including car accidents and pedestrian and cyclist injuries throughout the San Francisco area.



## Summertime Fun and Watercraft Danger



When temperatures soar, many people hit the water—and not just to swim. Boating, jet skiing, and water skiing, among other activities, are popular on the nation's lakes, rivers, and oceans. Most outings are fun and create lasting memories, but accidents do happen, sometimes as a result of negligence.

Many watercraft accidents result from factors similar to auto accidents: speeding, recklessness, operator inexperience, and driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol. A collision with another watercraft, hitting a wave at an unsafe speed or angle, striking a submerged object, and lack of familiarity with a waterway can lead to serious injury.

Boats can capsize, sink, or lose passengers overboard (frequently without life jackets). If jet skiers are struck in a collision, they are even more vulnerable to serious injuries, as they are more exposed. Water skiers are at the mercy of boat drivers and observers. Accidents on the water also have the added risks of drowning and hypothermia.

Operator error is not the only cause of watercraft injuries. For instance, rental companies might not properly maintain the watercraft or equipment they rent out, creating hazards. Commercial businesses (e.g., fishing expeditions, watersports operators, etc.) may employ unqualified or inadequately trained workers. Product manufacturers can be held liable for defectively manufactured or designed products that lead to crashes or other harmful events.

If you are injured in a watercraft accident through no fault of your own, contact a personal injury or product liability attorney. They will protect your rights and pursue fair compensation for your injuries and damages.

# **Red, White, and Blue Mocktail**

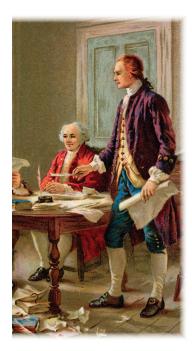
Want a simple way to make a stunning patriotic display for summer picnics? Try a red, white, and blue mocktail! It provides a refreshing drink to sip on a hot day and looks amazing in the process.

#### INGREDIENTS

- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> c. fresh raspberries or strawberries (your choice of red!)
- ¾ tsp. grenadine
- 2 Tbsp. club soda
- crushed ice
- lemon-lime soda
- fresh blueberries

#### PREPARATION

- This is a drink you build from the ground up.
- Place your red fruit in the bottom of a tall glass, then drizzle with grenadine.
- Add the club soda.
- Fill the glass the rest of the way with crushed ice (your white).
- Very slowly pour in the lemon-lime soda. Doing so too quickly will mix things up a bit too much and mar the aesthetic.
- Top with blueberries. •



## **A Revolutionary Friendship**

John Adams and Thomas Jefferson met at the Second Continental Congress in 1775 and worked together on the committee tasked with drafting the Declaration of Independence. Though seemingly an odd pairing—Jefferson was tall, elegant, and philosophical; Adams was short, stocky, blunt, and combative—they forged a strong friendship ... and rivalry.

The friendship deepened in the 1780s, when both men were appointed to European diplomatic posts: Jefferson in France, Adams in Great Britain. During this time, Jefferson lost his wife, Martha, and was consoled by Adams and his wife, Abigail, who considered him part of the family.

Their friendship weathered the storms of their differing political philosophies on the role of the federal government and their opposing positions on the French Revolution, among others ... until they both decided to run for president.

In 1796, Adams, a Federalist, ran against Jefferson, a member of the Democratic-Republican Party, and emerged victorious. Jefferson, with the second-most votes, served as vice president, which was the practice then. Unsurprisingly, their friendship soured.

In 1800, Jefferson and Adams squared off again. The campaign mudslinging between the candidates' camps was fierce. Jefferson also hired a shady journalist to plant false stories about Adams in the press. Ultimately, Jefferson prevailed in this go-round.

On the way out, Adams appointed a number of Jefferson's political enemies to high office, greatly irritating Jefferson. Their friendship was in tatters for the next 12 years.

A mutual friend helped them reestablish contact in 1812. For the next 14 years, they commiserated, reminisced, reflected, expressed regrets, and swapped perspectives through written correspondence.

Both men passed away a mere five hours apart—ironically, on July 4, 1826. In many ways, their friendship mirrored the peaks and valleys of the new nation they helped to establish. •



# **Divorce Mediation Tip**

Recently, I mediated a family law case. It was a rather simple case but the mediation took all day. Reason being, the lawyers fought over everything; I mean everything. The husband and wife looked perplexed because most of the items fought over did not mean much to either of them. Watching the lawyers was like watching two children argue in the sandbox. Needless to say, I left the mediation and ran for the water fountain to wash down two Tylenol to ease my headache created by the lawyers.

You want to make sure you have an attorney who fights for you on the specific issues you care about in order for you to succeed in a divorce mediation. You do not want a lawyer who fights over every little item possible just so they can bill you.

Here, both the husband and wife thanked me, not their lawyers, afterward for making it possible to settle their case.

This is your case and you need a lawyer who reflects you and what is important to you. Make sure you have a strong and efficient lawyer on your side in divorce mediation. •



## Office Donation to the Milo Foundation

Paul and Lucy, on behalf of our office, made a \$500 donation to the Milo Foundation at the Tiburon Dog Show, which took place outside our office. The Milo Foundation is an excellent dog and cat rescue non-profit organization based in Richmond, California. They provide fantastic adoption services, community education and volunteer opportunities.

You can visit the Milo Foundation at www.milofoundation.org

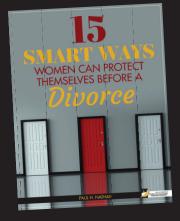
### July 2019 Notable Dates

July 3 – National Eat Your Beans Day July 7 – National Father Daughter Take a Walk Day July 12 – National Simplicity Day July 15 – National Give Something Away Day July 20 – National Moon Day July 24 – National Drive-Thru Day July 27 – National Day of the Cowboy July 29 – National Chicken Wing Day





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## 'That's One Small Step for [a] Man ...'

Fifty years ago, on July 20, 1969, humans first set foot on the moon during the Apollo 11 mission. It was a stunning achievement in technology and exploration that mesmerized over 600 million viewers worldwide.

Neil Armstrong stepped onto the lunar surface first; Buzz Aldrin joined him 20 minutes later. Michael Collins, who often gets lost in the shuffle, piloted the orbiting command module.

Armstrong carried with him a piece of wood and fabric from a plane flown by the Wright brothers ... an ode to the progress in air travel from 1903–1969. These artifacts reside at the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum.

Nearly all the photos taken during the astronauts' stay on the moon featured Buzz Aldrin. Armstrong had the main camera, Aldrin had orders to focus his camera on other matters, and selfies weren't a thing yet.

The crew was unable to purchase life insurance. Traveling to, landing on, then returning from another celestial body 240,000 miles away for the first time in history tends to make that dicey. Instead, the astronauts signed a ton of autographs that their families could sell upon their potential demise.

As a testament to "efficient" government, the astronauts had to sign customs forms upon their return home, declaring the moon rocks and dust samples they brought with them.

Although radio interference and a Midwestern accent obscured an important one-letter word in the famous quote delivered by Armstrong, linguistics experts now confirm what Armstrong claimed all along: He actually said, "That's one small step for 'a' man, one giant leap for mankind." Makes more sense, and the man on the moon said so.



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