



## Personal Injury Group: Defective Product Claims

A young woman ejected from a car and killed because of a seat back failure. One man killed and a young woman seriously injured due to a defective cruise control system. A young man loses several fingers on his right hand due to an unguarded saw blade. These are just a few examples of the many defective product claims that have been handled over the years by the personal injury attorneys at Levene Gouldin & Thompson.

Defective or dangerous products are responsible for thousands of injuries each year. The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission states there are 200 to 300 product recalls each year. Products recalled because of defects or dangerous conditions include automobiles, tires, furniture, appliances, tools, toys, and safety equipment, such as smoke detectors and fire alarms. These products are designed for our safe use, but when they fail because of defects they can cause serious personal injuries and even wrongful death.

Defective product claims involve defectively designed or manufactured products; products that do not live up to their respective warranties or guarantees; products that cause injury during normal use, and products that have unclear, incorrect, or incomplete instructions or warnings concerning their use and therefore cause injury or damage.

Courts have held that there are three separate types of defects, namely, design defects, manufacturing defects, and marketing defects. Design defects are present in a product when some aspect of the product's design is inherently dangerous. Manufacturing defects occur in the course of a product's assembly. Marketing defects can occur due to improper labeling, insufficient instructions, or inadequate safety warnings.

If you have been the victim of a defective product, contact the team of personal injury attorneys at Levene Gouldin & Thompson, LLP.

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