



Passenger Killed in California Car Accident Involving Stopped CHP Cruiser

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When a police cruiser is stopped along the side of the freeway in order to deal with an accident, it's usually a scene that's clearly marked so that other motorists are not put at risk of a collision. While most people have seen patrol cars stopped along the shoulder of the road, there are instances where it will stop in the center median if the officer feels it's safe. Tragically, a stopped CHP vehicle in the median of a highway was involved in a fatal California car accident over Labor Day weekend.

According to reports, this fatal [California car accident](#) occurred at approximately 9:45 a.m. on Saturday morning in Livermore. A patrol car had stopped to help with a non-injury accident on I-580 just west of First Street. The car was in the median because it was unusually wide in that spot due to construction. Suddenly, a 70-year-old man from Sacramento who was driving a Honda in the same area lost control of the vehicle. The Honda spun out of control and collided with the rear of the patrol car on its passenger side. The passenger in the Honda, 61-year-old Lan Thi Ngo, was killed as a result of the impact.

California Car Accident Statistics

First, we'd like to offer our condolences to the family and friends of the woman who was killed. Losing a life in such a random and violent manner is always tragic. In addition, this fatal Livermore car accident will only become part of the overall statistics regarding California car accidents state-wide. Every year, approximately 175,000 people are injured and another 3,000 are killed in these

occurrences.

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Drivers of vehicles owe their passengers a legal duty of care to keep them out of situations of unreasonable harm. If it turns out that the driver of the Honda was negligent, it could give rise to a California wrongful death lawsuit filed by the woman's family. If such a claim was successful, it could lead to an award of damages.

If you have lost someone you love because of a driver's negligence, you need to seek the help of Sacramento wrongful death lawyers who have been successfully fighting for grieving families for many years. Contact Demas & Rosenthal today to schedule a free initial consultation.

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