Our <u>bicycle injury attorneys</u> represent victims who have been hit on bike by a car in Michigan. Many of times a bicyclist who has been hit by a car and suffers injuries may have means for a Michigan personal injury lawsuit if the driver of the vehicle that stuck the bicyclist is found negligent. Witnesses, or no witnesses, at the time of the car accident, an injured bicyclist may find that the negligent driver has many arguments in their defense. In fact, according to the American Association for Justice, motorists involved in bicycle accidents frequently rely on certain common arguments to protect themselves in case of a car accident lawsuit.

Statistics show that one bicyclist is injured every 5 hours and 34 minutes. Catastrophic injuries are frequent outcomes of bicycle-car accidents and many motorists depend on certain arguments to be considered not at-fault. Most of the time evidence does not support their claims, however, these common arguments include:

- Bicyclist was speeding at the time of the car accident.
- Bike/bicyclist was not visible to the eye. I.e. traffic, no bright clothing, nigh time, etc...
- Bike was improperly positioned in the traffic lane. I.e. weaving in and out of traffic or traveling to close to other vehicles.
- Driver did not see the bicyclist.

One of the most common defenses a motorist uses, as mentioned above, is that the bicyclist was speeding at the time of the car accident. Studies prove that the average range of speed for a biker is between 10 and 20 miles per hour (mph). In court, motorists claim the bicyclist was traveling at 40 mph. This could be possible, however, for a bicyclist to even reach 30 mph would take significant ability and effort.

Other evidence shows that the image of a bicycle isn't as familiar to a motorist. This fact is evidence that drivers may not always be so vigilant about watching out for bicyclists, and even though the image may not be familiar, bicyclists are not invisible ascertain his or her position on the roadway.

Our bicycle injury lawyers recommend all bicyclists to wear protective clothing, bright colored clothing and having reflectors on your bike while you ride so that you are not only more visible to Michigan drivers, but so that motorists do not have an argument of whether or not you were visible on the roadways as well.

Contact a Michigan Bicycle Injury Lawyer

For more information regarding your rights as a <u>bicyclist injured in a Michigan car accident</u>, call our office now at (800) 606-1717 to speak with one of our top personal injury attorneys. We will start working on your case immediately gathering all the evidence and witness statements to win and settle your case,