

Torgenson Law Summer Newsletter

Dear Clients, Friends, and Community,

Welcome to the Torgenson Law Quarterly Newsletter! As we move through the second quarter of the year, we're excited to continue sharing Firm updates, legal insights, and helpful resources to keep you informed and empowered. At Torgenson Law, our commitment to advocating for you remains as strong as ever, and we're grateful for the opportunity to stay connected through this newsletter.

Thank you for your continued trust in our team—it is an honor to serve you.

Legal Updates

Arizona Personal Injury Law Update: *The Arizona Supreme Court Gets it Right in Perez v. Circle K:* The Arizona Supreme Court recently clarified an

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important point in *Perez v. Circle K*: when someone walks into a business as a customer, that business automatically owes them a duty to keep the property reasonably safe. Roxanne Perez tripped over a water display at Circle K, and the Court of Appeals wrongly held that there was no duty unless the condition (the display here) was unreasonably dangerous or hidden. The Arizona Supreme Court correctly reversed, explaining that duty does not depend on how risky something looks or how dangerous it is - duty comes from the business-customer relationship. Whether Circle K did enough to meet that duty is a separate question (for the jury to decide), but the Supreme Court got the core issue right: **Duty is given.** This decision is a reminder that premises liability claims are highly fact specific and having a skilled attorney on your side can make all the difference. If you've been injured on someone else's property, give us a call to make sure your rights are protected.

Case Study: We recently resolved a premises liability claim involving injuries caused by a faulty homemade zipline at a private residence. The handle snapped during use, resulting in a significant fall and injuries that required surgery and ongoing medical treatment. Despite concerns about preserving a personal relationship with the homeowner's family, we successfully secured a settlement through the homeowner's insurance without pursuing direct legal action against the individuals involved. This outcome reflects the principles reinforced in *Perez v*. *Circle K*, where the Arizona Supreme Court affirmed that property owners owe a duty of care when someone is on their property. This case underscores the importance of holding property owners accountable while handling sensitive situations with care and professionalism.

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From Resilience to Recognition: Meet Our 2025 Scholarship Recipient!

We're thrilled to share some heartwarming news from Torgenson Law! We've officially named Kate Macfarlane as the 2025 recipient of the Renee Torgenson Memorial Scholarship. Created in memory of John Torgenson's beloved grandmother, Renee Torgenson, a woman known for her love, lovalty, and boundless kindness, this scholarship honors students who exemplify strength and compassion. Kate's inspiring journey through aplastic anemia and her dedication to becoming a Special Education teacher deeply moved us. Her resilience and commitment to helping others truly reflect the values this scholarship stands for.

Learn more about Kate's story and the scholarship here: **Renee Torgenson Memorial Scholarship: Honoring Strength** & Hope

Congratulations, Kate—we're cheering you on every step of the way!

Recent Achievements: This quarter, Torgenson Law secured a settlement of nearly half a million dollars for a Dollar Tree patron who sustained suffered serious, life-altering injuries after slipping on an unmarked puddle inside the store. The incident required surgery, considerable medical treatment, and resulted in lasting damages that continue to affect our client's daily life. Our team worked diligently to pursue justice and ensure fair compensation, reflecting our continued dedication to standing up for those harmed by negligence.

Giving Back: This quarter we continued our commitment to community support by proudly sponsoring three meaningful events. We teed off with the Maricopa County Bar Association's Tim Huff Pro Bono Golf Classic at Legacy Golf Resort, helping advance access to justice for those in need. Next, we joined the 11th Annual Military Assistance Mission Golf Classic, supporting Arizona's brave service members and

their families, a cause close to our hearts. Finally, we were honored to be a Star Sponsor of the Arizona School for the Arts' Showcase 2025: Legacy, celebrating 30 years of excellence in arts education with unforgettable student performances. Giving back remains a core part of our mission. The communities we serve are personal to us, and if you know of a cause that could use our support, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Maricopa County Bar Association Tim Huff Pro Bono Golf Classic



John Torgenson connecting with fellow legal professionals at the Maricopa County Bar Association Tim Huff Pro Bono Golf Classic. (above)

11th Annual Military Assistance Mission Golf Classic



John Torgenson and teammates sporting red, white, and blue at our sponsored hole during the 11th Annual Military Assistance Mission Golf Classic. (above)

Arizona School for the Arts 2025 Showcase: Legacy

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TorgLaw teammates Corina Alfaro and Alex Montoya outside Orpheum Theatre in Phoenix excitedly awaiting the start of the ASA Showcase. (above)

2nd Annual Torgenson Law & YMCA Backpack Drive

Torgenson Law is excited to host the 2nd Annual Torgenson Law & YMCA Backpack Drives in partnership with the YMCA, where we will be distributing over 500 backpacks filled with school supplies to local students. This year's events will be held on:

- July 16th from 10am-12pm at the Watts Family Maryvale YMCA
- July 24th from 3:30pm –5pm at the Legacy Foundation Chris-Town YMCA

Our goal remains to ease the financial burden of back-to-school season for families and ensure students start the year prepared and confident. Last year, we proudly handed out over 200 backpacks at the Valley of the Sun YMCA and Guerrero Elementary. Seeing the joy on students' faces was unforgettable and we can't wait to do it again, more than doubling the amount of backpacks and supplies we will be giving away this year!

Team Updates: We're proud to celebrate Torgenson Law's 15th anniversary on July 10, 2025! Thank you for your continued support and being part of our journey. We're also excited to welcome Allicia Wright, Lindsay Aleman, Jenn Harmon, Ashley Fisher, Tori Jensen, and Mayra Moreno to our team! Additionally, congratulations to

Emma Williams on her 3-year, Kylee Sanchez on her 1-year, and Alex Montoya on his 1-year work anniversaries at Torgenson Law!

9 PM Emergency? We're Here When You Need Us. Call Anytime - (602) 536-7430

Staff Spotlight

This quarter, we are proud to spotlight our Senior Pre-litigation attorney, Hunter Instine. A little about Hunter:

- **Background:** Originally from East Texas, Hunter's family moved to Arizona over 20 years ago. From a young age, Hunter demonstrated an unwavering work ethic, balancing jobs while advancing through high school, college, and law school. He graduated from Northern Arizona University in 2015 with a degree in Political Science and Journalism, then earned his law degree from the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University. Since passing the bar in early 2020, Hunter has been a fierce advocate for injury victims at Torgenson Law, fighting tirelessly to ensure his clients' voices are heard. He believes that "real people deserve real advocates," and that personal injury allows him to do just that, stand up for those who need it most and hold powerful companies accountable.
- **Passions & Interests:** Hunter loves Arizona's outdoors and spends his free time camping, off-roading and hiking with his wife and their two dogs. He's looking forward to a family camping trip in Northern Arizona later this summer. His favorite trip so far being his honeymoon to Cabo, where they rode camels on the beach, enjoyed delicious local food, and attended a Día de los Muertos festival in town. At



home, Hunter enjoys gaming and growing bonsai trees, a hobby that's grown into true passion. He's created about 15 bonsai trees so far and is enjoying learning the cultural and artistic traditions behind the practice.

Favorite Part of Working at ٠ Torgenson Law: Hunter is passionate about helping clients find clarity in the chaos of personal injury cases. He finds deep meaning in helping clients navigate some of the most difficult and emotional moments of their lives, bringing structure, resolution, and justice to complex personal injury cases. Hunter is proud to be part of a team that genuinely cares, not just for clients, but for one another. Whether it's tackling challenging cases or sharing a laugh in the office, the camaraderie is something he truly appreciates. As for his own go-to workday fuel, Hunter keeps it simple and healthy with a protein shake, banana, and cashews. His compassion, dedication, and sharp legal mind make him an invaluable part of the Torgenson Law team, and someone you'd absolutely want in your corner! We are certainly glad he's in ours!





5-Star Reviews & Client Testimonials

We are honored to receive incredible feedback from our clients. Here's what one of them had to say:

"The team at Torgenson truly went above and beyond. From negotiating with insurance and medical providers to communicating with me



throughout the process, Torgenson Law exceeded my expectations and provided superb representation.

They provided exceptional service that met the highest of standards while also maintaining the comfort of working with a local firm that genuinely cares."

– Nathaniel S.

Legal Tip of the Quarter

How to Handle an Injury on Someone Else's Property (Premises Liability):

- 1. Seek Immediate Medical Attention Your health is the top priority. Do not delay seeking care.
- 2. Report the Incident Notify the property owner, manager, or staff right away.
- 3. Document the Scene Take photos of the hazard, your injuries, and any surrounding conditions.
- 4. Collect Witness Information Get names and contact details of anyone who saw what happened.
- 5. Call a Personal Injury Attorney Reach out to Torgenson Law for a free case evaluation and to protect your rights.





Catch John Torgenson on *Beth & Friends* on 99.9 KEZ!

Tune in and turn up the volume! Our very own John Torgenson is regularly featured on the air! John joined Beth from *Beth & Friends* on 99.9 KEZ to share insights about Torgenson Law, our unwavering commitment to justice, and how we fight for every injured person we have the honor of representing.

Listen here: 99.9 KEZ – Beth & Friends

Let us know what you think!



Win Diamondbacks Tickets – On Us!

We're excited to give back to our amazing community with free Diamondbacks tickets! Want a chance to win? It's easy:

- 1. Click the link to our Instagram or Facebook.
- 2. Like our post about this newsletter.
- 3. You're in the running!

Winners will score 4 (four) premium seats (Section S, Row D, Seats 2-5) and two Jefferson Street Garage parking passes to the Diamondbacks vs. Reds game on Friday, August 22, 2025 — just our way of saying thank you for staying connected with us.

Don't wait — hit that like button and we'll see you at the ballpark!

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If you have any legal questions or topics you'd like us to cover in the next newsletter, feel free to reach out!

Until next time, stay safe and know that Torgenson Law is here for you.



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