

Litigation Process

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UNFAIR OFFER

- Unfair offer
- Liability dispute



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FILE A COMPLAINT

- File with District Court
- Begin Lawsuit



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DEFENDANT ANSWERS

- Defendant is served
- Defendant has 20 days to file their answer



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INITIAL DISCLOSURES AND FACT DISCOVERY

- Information regarding case is disclosed by both sides
- Evidence collected for trial or arbitration
- Depositions occur
- More information submitted to courts

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CONTINUED SETTLEMENT NEGOTIATIONS

- Settlement negotiations revisited
- Mediations to attempt to facilitate settlement



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EXPERT DISCOVERY

- Experts are hired to help prove/disprove injuries, causation, liability, etc.



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PREPARE FOR TRIAL

- If still not settled, the case is certified for trial
- Judge holds hearing to lay out rules and set trial dates
- Mediation may be required

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TRIAL OR ARBITRATION

- Jury trial for an injury case lasts 2-3 days
- Arbitration for an injury case lasts 2-3 hours



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