



## || No-Fault Litigation

From the beginning of the Michigan No-Fault insurance system in Michigan, Foster Swift attorneys have been at the forefront of practice in this area. We are routinely called upon by our clients to analyze and help resolve claims, as well as to provide representation in litigated matters. Our experience, both in and out of the courtroom, includes:

- Evaluation of "threshold" injuries
- Analysis of liability and causation issues
- Representation in catastrophic claims
- Review of insurance policy exceptions and exclusions
- Defend first party "PIP" claims
- Representation of servicing insurers in assigned claims
- Declaratory judgment actions involving coverage disputes
- Indemnity and subrogation matters
- Property damage claims
- Uninsured and underinsured motorist claims
- Motor carrier and heavy trucking litigation

In order to achieve the optimal outcome for our clients, our attorneys utilize the expertise of outside accident reconstructionists, medical examiners, engineers, toxicologists, human factors experts and independent investigators.

Finally, we keep our clients apprised of the latest developments in Michigan No-Fault law by continually monitoring appellate court decisions and pending legislation and by providing regular "e-blasts" and in-house seminars. If you would like to receive our *Foster Swift No-Fault E-News* go to Newsletters Sign up to complete the form and check off No-Fault E-news or you may contact the marketing department at [info@fosterswift.com](mailto:info@fosterswift.com) or call 517-371-8116.

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