

[Steven M. Gursten](#)

Steven M. Gursten is recognized as one of the nation's top attorneys handling serious auto accident injury and wrongful death cases, and No-Fault insurance litigation. He is head of Farmington Hills-based [Michigan Auto Law](#), the state's largest law firm handling car truck, and motorcycle accident cases for more than 50 years.

Honors and awards:

- Lawyer of the Year, Michigan Lawyers Weekly
- Best Lawyers in America, Best Lawyers listing
- Top 100 Trial Lawyer, American Trial Lawyers
- Martindale-Hubbell AV-Rating, highest rating for legal ability and ethics
- Michigan Super Lawyer, Super Lawyers listing
- Top 100 Lawyers in the State of Michigan, Super Lawyers
- Best Lawyers, Crain's Detroit Business
- Best Lawyer/Best Law Firm, U.S. News & World Report
- Top Lawyers in Metro Detroit, DBusiness Magazine
- Million Dollar Advocates Forum, member
- Bar Register of Preeminent Lawyers, Martindale-Hubbell
- Leader in the Law, Michigan Lawyers Weekly
- Best Lawyer-Best Law Firm, U.S. News & World Report

Memberships and affiliations:

Motor Vehicle Trial Lawyers Association, President

The MVTLA is a professional and trade association of trial attorneys throughout the country who represent injury victims and consumer plaintiffs in claims involving motor vehicle injuries

Truck Accident Attorneys Roundtable, Founding Member

The Truck Accident Attorneys Roundtable is an association of expert truck accident attorneys dedicated to making our roads safer and protecting truck accident victims.

American Association for Justice

- Interstate Truck Litigation Group, Past President
- Traumatic Brain Injury Group, Executive Board Member

The American Association for Justice is the nation's largest association of advocates serving the needs of personal injury victims, with more than 50,000 lawyer members.

State of Michigan Model Civil Jury Instructions, Subcommittee Member

Steve advises on the most effective jury instructions regarding Michigan No-Fault and the auto accident law for the State of Michigan.

Association of Plaintiff Interstate Trucking Lawyers of America, Board of Governors

The APITLA is a national association of committed truck accident lawyers who have joined to help eliminate unsafe and illegal interstate trucking practices.

Michigan Association for Justice, Past Co-Chair Automobile Accident No-Fault Committee

The Michigan Association for Justice is the state's largest organization of trial lawyers and consumer advocates representing the needs of injured accident victims.

Sarah Jane Brain Project, Legal Advisor

The Sarah Jane Brain Project is a group of brain injury lawyers, doctors, professors and lawmakers dedicated to preventing and treating pediatric traumatic brain injury.

Notable cases:

- *Norris v. Atsalis Brothers Painting*, Macomb County, Michigan
\$9 million settlement, car accident/truck accident
- *Broeren v. Bates*, Macomb County, Michigan
\$5.65 million jury verdict on \$600,000 offer, auto accident
- *Fini-Ross v. General Motors Corporation*, Oakland County, Michigan
\$4.2 million jury verdict on \$100,000 defense offer, auto accident
- *Nunez v. Utica Transit Mix and Supply*, Macomb County, Michigan
\$3.9 million settlement, truck accident
- *Barnes v. Cassens Transport Company*, Wayne County, Michigan
\$3.6 million award on \$300,000 defense offer, truck accident
- *Fairley v. Schiber Truck*, Jackson County, Michigan
\$3.5 million verdict on \$1 million defense offer, truck accident
- *Lloyd v. First Choice Trucking*, U.S. District Court, Michigan
\$2.5 million jury verdict on \$250,000 defense offer, truck accident
- *Clouse v. Hughes*, Oakland County, Michigan
\$1.1 million jury verdict on \$10,000 defense offer, auto accident

Publications:

- Handling Automobile Accident Cases, West Publications
- State Bar of Michigan Negligence Law Section Quarterly
- Books on MichiganAutoLaw.com
 - How To Repair Your Car Damage
 - Protecting Your Legal Rights After a Car Accident
 - Guide to Michigan No-Fault Law
 - What Auto Insurance is Right for Me?
 - How to Keep your Children Safe
 - How to Choose the Right Lawyer

Education:

Fordham University School of Law, New York, NY

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Phi Beta Kappa, highest academic distinction

Legal seminars and presentations:

Steve Gursten frequently lectures at legal seminars locally and throughout the country on topics such as trial advocacy, Michigan No-Fault law, traumatic brain injury cases and maximizing settlements for those injured in car and truck accidents. To date, he has more than 100 professional speaking engagements.

