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WELCOME TO VMAIL

It has been a year since the COVID-19 pandemic began.

How are you holding up?

RECALLS

In the news, some Bravo Packing Inc. dog food has been **recalled** for *Salmonella* and *Listeria* risk.

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FIRM NEWS

Dennis VanDerGinst Launching Two New Podcasts in March 2021



We are so excited to announce that we will be launching two new podcasts in March 2021, **Uncommon Convos** and **Legal Squeaks**!

Join host Dennis VanDerGinst and co-host Dana Watkins in **Uncommon Convos** for interesting conversations with interesting people as they discuss life, fun, and the various aspects of the human experience. They will talk to people from all walks of life, including

regional and national experts and celebrities; on topics such as entertainment, sports, politics, business, lifestyle, philosophy, wellness, etc.

Plus, there's just no time in life to try to understand all the legal mumbo jumbo you hear about. That's why in **Legal Squeaks** we give you short "squeaks" of information that will be helpful in your everyday life.

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NEW PRACTICE AREAS



[VA Disability Info](#)

Veterans Disability Attorneys

If you were sickened or injured while serving our country, you may apply for disability benefits.

Many veterans turn to an experienced VA disability attorney to help navigate the appeals process and recover the benefits needed to manage their disability/injury.

A Veterans Disability attorney from VanDerGinst Law can help you if you have been denied benefits.



[COVID-19 Business Interruption Claims](#)

[Iowa Derecho Business Interruption Claims](#)

COVID-19 & Iowa Derecho Business Interruption Claims

YOU MAY BE ENTITLED TO COMPENSATION IF YOU ANSWER "YES" TO THESE TWO QUESTIONS:

- Are you a business owner?
- Has your business been forced to shut down or been otherwise restricted in its ability to generate income due to COVID-19 OR due to the 2020 Iowa derecho storm?

We can evaluate your situation for **FREE** to determine if you have a claim for compensation. If so, we will negotiate on your behalf to get you every penny to which you are entitled!

REMINDER

Daylight Savings Time



**Remember to
set your clock
forward!**

Spring forward on Sunday, March 14, 2021 at 2:00 am.

Remember to set your clock forward this weekend for Daylight Savings Time!

RESULTS



\$101,000 for Husband and Wife in Rear-End Collision

Our clients were traveling through an intersection when another driver neglected to stop and rear-ended their truck causing it to spin into a nearby ditch and hit a tree.

We negotiated a \$101,000 combined settlement for the two cases to cover their medical expenses and damaged vehicle.

[See more results](#)

MEET THE TEAM

Each month we'll feature a member of the VanDerGinst Law team to help you get to know us!

Athena Farmakis (Attorney)



Athena Farmakis was born and raised in the Chicagoland area, graduated with a B.A. from Northwestern University, and received her law degree from DePaul University College of law.

With over 25 years of litigation experience, Athena has tried 67 jury trials and hundreds of bench trials in complex and media-sensitive cases. Athena currently practices in all areas of personal injury including motor vehicle accidents, premises liability, product liability, construction accidents, animal attacks, negligent security, wrongful death, nursing home abuse, and medical malpractice.

As a former prosecutor, Athena dedicated much of her legal career to serving the public for over 20 years as a Cook County Assistant State's Attorney. Known for her zealous advocacy, Athena fought for the rights of countless victims and their families in homicide, sexual assault, child abuse, and many other violent crimes. She also led the prosecution of countless weapons, narcotics, and financial crimes cases. Her dedication and hard work have afforded her vast, wide-ranging trial expertise and knowledge of the litigation process.

Athena is very active in her community and is committed to people and issues outside of the courtroom. In her spare time, Athena cherishes her volunteer work at animal shelters and enjoys being physically active. She is a regular cyclist, runner, and tennis player and is always looking for her next great travel destination.

[Read more about Athena](#)

FEATURED ARTICLES

CHECK OUT BLOGS FROM VANDERGINST LAW



Motorcycle Safety Tips in Illinois and Iowa

It's about time to get out your motorcycle again this year, and that, unfortunately, means more motorcycle accidents as well.

You can drastically decrease your chances of serious injury or death by following these safety tips.



[Find out](#)



3 Ways to Prevent Bicycle Accidents

By following simple precautions, cyclists can protect themselves from crashes and injuries.

Dennis VanDerGinst, CEO of VanDerGinst Law, elaborates on what cyclists can also do to stay safe on the road and what to do if an unfortunate crash does happen.



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TESTIMONIALS

REAL PEOPLE, REAL STORIES.



"I refer my patients to VanDerGinst Law. They are the best place to get help when you have been injured on the job or in an automobile accident." - **Susan Anderson**

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REFERRALS

WE APPRECIATE YOUR TRUST IN US!

Thank you to those who have referred clients to us! We appreciate your trust in us!

Abraham Ramirez | Amanda Fosdick | Angelo Vitiritti | Bill Breedlove | Brad Stout | Brown & Crouppen | Chuck Braud | David Chavez | Eric Bodo | Frank Deierling | Gabrielle Miller | Glenn Ruud | Hupy & Abraham, S.C. | Jazmin Newton | Jennifer Hernandez | Dr. Joseph Woelfel | Dr. Kim Martin | Melissa Hodapp | Morgan & Morgan | Mutabazi Michel | Nanda Roberts | Pamela Anderson | Paul Hawk | Robert Waidzunas | Steven Adams | Steven Levine | Tammy Conner | Terri L. Gaines | Dr. Tyra Horner | Virginia Barber | The Ward Law Group, PL | William Stengel

If you referred a client and we missed you this month, don't worry! Please let us know if you have any questions and so that we can thank you properly for your referral!

If You've Been Injured, We'd Be Honored to Help.

Have you or a loved one suffered an injury, illness, or death on the job or due to negligence? VanDerGinst Law can help. Your consultation is always FREE. We forward all costs to pursue your injury case and there is never an attorney fee unless we win.

Contact us at 833-900-8529 or www.vlaw.com.



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