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Clients of Attorney Jillian Todd have come to expect being treated like family. Whether their case involves personal injury, workers' compensation, estate planning, or probate issues, Jillian tackles them as if it were her own relative needing assistance.

That is why Todd Law was so excited to learn of Jillian's 2021 Rising Stars award from the nationally recognized organization, Super Lawyers. The Rising Stars peer designation is awarded only to a select number of accomplished attorneys in each state and is due in part to her dedication to serving each of her





clients with compassion and care.

Jillian prides herself in obtaining the best results possible for her clients and sets the high standard of integrity, honesty, and professionalism with her family's firm, which is apparent in the generations of clients who have trusted Joseph M. Todd, P.C. for more than four decades. As part of the Todd Law team, Jillian's role is integral in the firm's approach to aggressively handling civil and criminal cases throughout Georgia and nationwide; continuing to live and practice by the firm mission: A family helping families since 1976.

The Super Lawyers list recognizes no more than 5% of attorneys in each state, while the Rising Stars list recognizes no more than 2.5% percent of attorneys in each state. To be eligible for inclusion in Rising Stars, a candidate must be either 40 years old or younger, or in practice for 10 years or less.

Congratulations, Jillian!

Jack Be Nimble Candles Bring Light, Joy To Todd Law Clients

Jack Be Nimble

----- HANDCRAFTED SOY CANDLES

There are many reasons why Jack Be Nimble candles have become a staple in the home and office of Attorney Jillian Todd. It could be the owner's connection to the art of ballet, which Jillian studied for years, or the fact that the different candle scents bring back memories of the beach, the holiday season, or even the state of Georgia, but one thing is certain: Jack Be Nimble candles are a favorite, which is why we chose Holiday Sparkle candles as the Todd Law signature gift this past Christmas.

Jack Be Nimble's owner, Paul Bruschi, is a former professional dancer and he drew inspiration for the name of his company from the childhood story of Jack jumping over a candlestick. Paul went above and beyond by helping us show our thanks to all of the wonderful friends and colleagues who trusted us to handle legal issues for their loved ones by handpouring and sending with love our favorite candles to our amazing referral sources! The packaging was beautiful, the customer service was stellar, and Paul even took the time to include our special message inside of each delivery.



It's that attention to detail and his passion for giving the world beautiful light that sets his candles apart. Scents like Southern Sunshine (tangerine and peach), Georgia on My Mind (watermelon, peach, and honeysuckle), Woodland (amber and oak), Cotillion (peony and prosecco), and Sprig (rosemary and lavender) all brighten a room for hours with interesting combinations, as do Paul's signature scents like Cozy (cinnamon, lavender, and blood orange) and Day at the Spa (lemongrass, black currant, and patchouli).

Jack Be Nimble candles are sold in over 50 shops across the United States – many of which are right



here in the Atlanta area – and all his scents can be purchased right on his website, jackbenimblecandles.com. For more information on Jack Be Nimble candles, be sure to follow Paul on Facebook and Instagram, or contact him directly at hello@jackbenimblecandles.com.

Attorney Jillian Todd would love to share her favorite candles with our readers, so for your chance to win a Jack Be Nimble scent of your choice, visit our Facebook page and tell us which scent would bring you the most joy. You'll be entered in a drawing to have a candle shipped right to your door!





Keep this quick and tasty appetizer on hand for any dinner party your guests will be wowed and you'll enjoy how easy it is to make!

INGREDIENTS

- 1 Brie wheel, 7-8oz with rind still attached
- 1 cup chopped apples
- $1/_2$ cup sliced almonds (optional)
- = $\frac{1}{2}$ cup dried cranberries
- 2 Tablespoons packed brown sugar
- ¹/₂ teaspoon cinnamon
- 2 Tablespoons butter, melted

DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Slice Brie lengthwise into two pieces so you have two thinner wheels. Place first wheel rind-side down on baking dish. Mix remaining ingredients together and top first wheel with half of mixture. Stack second wheel on top, rind side up, then cover with remaining mixture.

2. Bake for 12-15 minutes until cheese melts. Serve with crackers, bread or apple slices.

3. Optional: wrap the whole thing in a sheet of puff pasty and bake for 25-30 minutes to elevate the flavors!

Social Media & Accident Claims Do Not Mix



Sharing what is going on in your life on social media sites like Instagram and Facebook has become second nature to most. It is as common as picking up the phone to tell a loved one about your day.

The insurance companies not only know this, but they also expect it and are just waiting for an injured person to make the mistake of talking about their accident online. If you were recently involved in an accident, chances are the at-fault party's insurance company will start monitoring your social media accounts. They will be looking for and analyzing all your posts. Why do insurance adjusters do this? Why do they care? For one reason: They are looking for anything and everything to discredit you, claim you are not as hurt as you are, show that you are not a victim at all, and therefore PAY YOU AS LITTLE AS POSSIBLE.

To eliminate the chance that you say the wrong thing – even accidentally – the best thing for you to do after an accident is to:

- Make all your social media accounts private
- Do not accept friend requests or follow requests from anyone you do not know
- Do not post anything related to the accident online. This includes photos, status updates, explanations, or opinions.
- Do not post about your whereabouts, your workouts, your physical therapy treatments, or even reviews about the places you visit.
- Do not share opinions about others, including frustrations with insurance companies or those involved in or who caused the accident.
- Do not use foul language, discuss alcohol or drug use, or make derogatory comments about anything.
- Do not share off-color memes, articles, or jokes.

Taking the extra precaution now to be subtle and quiet online can make all the difference in your case and will most likely affect what you are offered at settlement time. Be smart and don't risk your case for a few likes or shares.



The Clayton County Library System Now Open to the Public

One of the in-person resources we missed the most during the pandemic is being able to visit any of the seven Clayton County Library System branches. While COVID-19 still has not gone away completely and the proper precautions still must be taken, we were happy to read that March 1st marked the first day that patrons can visit the libraries in-person. This includes Clayton County's newest Northwest Branch, located at 6131 Riverdale Rd. in Riverdale, which features enclosed and individual study/work and meeting rooms, furniture with charging stations for phones and laptops, and a Maker Space with Dremel 3D printers, modular robotics, and music production kits. All of the locations feature free wi-fi, public computers, and several activities for kids, teens, and adults.

Hours of operation may vary due to the pandemic and on-going construction, so be sure to visit the Library System's website, claytonpl.org/locations, before heading over to any of the seven Clayton County branches: Headquarters, Northwest, Forest Park, Jonesboro, Lovejoy, Morrow, or Riverdale.





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Did You Know? Traffic Tickets & Penalties Are Worse In Construction Zones

With summer close upon us, the construction in and around Atlanta will be worse than ever, causing a greater chance of speeding tickets and accidents. This also means that there are stricter penalties and heftier fines, since the State of Georgia takes work zones violations very seriously.

If you are convicted of speeding in a work zone, you face a "misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature and shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$100



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nor more than \$2,000 or by imprisonment for a term not to exceed 12 months or both." Ticket fines are often doubled, even if a construction worker is not present, and you will also face more points on your license if you are found going above the posted limit at the following speeds:

- 15-18 mph over = two points
- 19-23 mph = three points
- 24-33 mph = four points
- 34+ mph = six points

Drive carefully out there and be sure to contact our office if you receive a ticket or are involved in a construction zone accident so we can help you navigate the situation and preserve your legal rights.

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Raving Fan of the Month

"I found my experience with Joseph M. Todd, P. C. pleasant. They were able to talk me through the process with knowledge and compassion. They have resolved two issues for me, and I would recommend them to anyone who needs legal advice." - Heather Williamson