Testimonials



Former
Client's and
What They
Say About
Gerry

The word 'testimonial' is a word used to describe someone giving testimony and swearing to tell the truth. In today's usage, when someone is giving a testimonial, it's usually to describe their feelings and thoughts about someone's product or service.

Why is it important to read, see or hear about testimonials? Simple.

We, as consumers want to learn from other people who have used that exact service or product before we choose to use it. We want to know what others' have experienced when going to this lawyer or using a product that you want to buy.

Research has repeatedly shown that consumers are much more affected by their purchasing choices by consumers who are giving real opinions and thoughts compared to what the manufacturer or owner puts out for public consumption.

Bottom line: Testimonials are powerful. However, did you know that in New York a lawyer is NOT allowed to put an EXISTING client's testimonial on their website? It's true.

The only type of testimonial that we are allowed to show you is from clients whose cases have finished. In addition, as you must also know, "Past results are not indicative of what an attorney can do for your particular case." Why do I put that disclaimer in there? Simple.

There are no guarantees, no matter what type of case you have; no matter how good your case it. A lawyer can never promise to get you a certain result.

A testimonial by a former client who says the lawyer was the best lawyer in the world, does not mean that they are right for your particular case, or that the same lawyer can get the same type of result for you in your particular case.

Having said that, a testimonial is a wonderful way of having a former client tell the world about how wonderful you are. It's humbling when your client wants to tell everyone what a great job you did and why you were so great.

Credibility is the key. That's why, when looking at testimonials, see if the lawyer includes the person's full name, their town and state. This way, you'll know if they're real.

REAL PEOPLE...
REAL CASES...
IN THEIR OWN WORDS...

In this testimonial, Arthur Lawler describes what happened when a dentist took out all of his remaining teeth and then abandoned him. Arthur travelled from Massachusets to New York to get his dental care.

Dear Mr. Oginski,

Although a lot of time has passed since you handled my case, I wanted to leave this testimonial, which I hope you will use in your advertising out of my appeciation:

I am a former client of Mr. Oginski.

I would recomend him and his entire firm to anyone who is in need of a personal injury lawyer. Several years ago, I was facing a situation wherein a certain oral surgeon in Queens had painfully removed most of my teeh and never replacing them with implants and caps as promised. He simply closed shop and went into hiding. Being from Massachusetts, with the damage taking place in New York I was faced with the dillema of finding a competent lawyer <u>four hundred miles away</u>.

After many calls I came to find literally no lawyers willing to take on a lawsuit aganst an oral surgeon. At this point, I had lived two years unable to chew

the foods I liked. The only time I smiled was when I was alone. Finally out of desperation, I put my story into an email and sent it to exactly *100 lawyers* whose ads I had read on the internet. Of all of these, only ten contacted me. Two of these took the time to explain to me why no lawyers had contacted me, which basicly was because that in cases against oral surgeons and dentists, a jury almost always takes the side of the doctor. To them, I was a "losing-proposition."

With the exception of Mr. Oginski, of the other 98 lawyers I was more a statistic than a suffering human in need of expertise. Of all of the replies I did recieve, only Mr. Oginski seemed to show any compassion for the pain I had suffered and was at the time suffering.

Upon deciding to choose Mr. Oginski to represent me, throughout the entire process, Mr. Oginski was extremely professional and especially understanding to me and my wife's aggravation and irritation at the slowness of the court-sytem and always spoke in terms of a positive future outcome. Mr Oginski won a very substantial settlement on my behalf and ultimately my mouth and teeth were repaired, with enough left over to pay-of all of our debts including our mortgage.

My story continues...

Because of all of the stress our family had suffered, we decided to go on a well-deserved vacation.

Upon getting home, I suffered a stroke which has left me half- paralyzed and am now confined to a wheel chair and collecting disability, but can now always cherish the last vacation together as a family.

I can only imagine how bad-off me and my family would be now, had it not been for Mr. Oginski.

I sincerely recommend to anyone seeking a compassionate and extremely professional and knowledgable personal injury lawyer to contact Mr. Oginski's firm first and immediately, saving yourself the aggravation of speaking to the other 98%.

Thank you once again Mr. Oginski. Thanks to your efforts and knowledge of the law our situation turned from a tragedy to a miracle - wherein now, despite my disibility, my wife can afford to take care of me at home rather than my being confined in a nursing home at the age of 53.

For many years I wondered to myself how, if ever possible, could God expain to me why I was being allowed me to suffer as I had under that dentist's care. Now, thanks to the money settlement you negotiated, I now feel I understand why things went the way they did being that now I am comforted knowing that should anything happen to me, my wife could financially manage to maintain her current life-style, with no debts or mortgage and in

the mean time I am at home versus wasting away in a nursing home.

I am serious and sincere in telling you that you have been part of a "grand miracle" which has not only helped restore my mouth but in some ways restored my faith in the Lord.

I hope you are doing well and would be happy to talk to you anytime, (but have trouble typing) if I could be of any help creating a testimonial for your newletter.

Sincerely,

Arthur Lawler, Massachusets

The testimonials below come from lawyers across the country who have watched lectures from me about medical malpractice law for continuing legal education.

Medical Malpractice Law for the Non-Personal Injury Attorney

To watch Gerry's presentation, click on the link below:

http://www.lawline.com/cle/course-details.php?i=931 Lawline.com

"As useful a presentation as I've ever seen." - Stephen (forest hills, NY)

"This lecture was fascinating and informative on medical malpractice law." - Joung Ho (Flushing, NJ)

"Excellent presentation and engaging speaker." - Zachary (Washington, DC)

"Excellent! This is what CLE should be - no sales plugs, no war stories, no question/answer sessions, just an engaging speaker with superior knowledge of his topic who delivers in a very well-organized manner." - Cynthia (Hidden Hills, CA)

"Very practical advice. Well presented." - Elisa (Green Bay, WI)

"Excellent presentation." - Robert (Fairfax, VA)

"Great speaker, kept my attention through his speaking style, if nothing else" - Juanita (Chesapeake, VA)

"Great job" - Peggy (Lagrange, IL)

"Brilliant." - Aristides (Kissimmee, FL)

"Very informative.....best CLE I have seen yet" - Richard T. (REGO PARK, NY)

"Very useful information." - Steven (Tinley Park, IL)

"Very well explained - clearly and concisely." - Hans-Joachim (Hofheim am Taunus, WY)

"Excellent." - Pamela (Wilmette, IL)

"Very Engaging" - Tamar (Evenston, IL)

"Helpful introduction" - Paul J. (New York, NY)

"Wonderfully convenient." - Jack (Tampa, FL)

"Very informative!" - June (Rockville, MD)

"Informative, clear and concise." - Jill (Marlboro, NJ)

"A great primer on the subject for a non-medical malpractice attorney. Excellent speaker." - Dede (Tampa, FL)

"Excellent speaker. Used lots of examples. Good information on what to know when referring medical malpractice cases out." - Evette (Detroit)

"Great niche presentation on what makes a medical malpractice case worth a referral to a practitioner who handles such cases." - Juliet (Arlington, VA)

"Compact, high-yield summary of major issues facing attorneys handling medical malpractice cases, illustrated very well with clinically relevant examples, scenarios, and hypotheticals. As an attorney and soon-to-be physician, I found this lecture highly useful for my future practice, both as surgeon and as potential malpractice consultant/referral base." - Nirav (Sacramento, CA)

"A good overview and informative" - Wallace (Long Beach, CA)

"Very good overall. Easy to follow, speaker did a good job of explaining medical law and framing the legal issues in malpractice cases in terms every lawyer could understand." - Joseph (Montville, NJ)

"Very good!" - Erik (Chesapeake, VA)

"Very involved and engaging." - Emily (Memphis, TN)

"The examples were very interesting and oftentimes helpful." - Joanna (Los Angeles, CA)

"He kept my attention!" - Cher (Henderson, NV)

"Lucid and well organized presentation beneficial to the non medical mal practice attorney." - Robert (Denver, CO)

"Energetic and clear presentation" - Paul (Bayville, NY)

"Great lecture" - Gilbert (Van Nuys, CA)

"A very helpful overview." - Jeffrey (New York, NY)

"Clear and succint in presentation and content" - Vandana (New York, NY)

"Very useful - It provided the information I was hoping for. " - Erica (Chicago, IL)

"Excellent substantive content." - Ana M. (Sunny Isles, FL)

"Good basic overview." - Cynthia (Pacifica, CA)

"Excellent." - Cynthia (Dallas, TX)

"Information packed." - George (Jericho, NY)

[&]quot;Great topic." - Ruth (charlottesville, VA)

[&]quot;I've taken various CLE courses for over two decades and this one was, by far, the best I've ever viewed!" - Kevin (Hendersonville, TN)

[&]quot;Excellent." - Robert (Salem, VA)

[&]quot;Good overview for purposes intended" - Susan M. (Albany, NY)

[&]quot;As a malpractice lawyer I rate this speaker first rate in all aspects.." - Sanford (Albany, NY)

"The service was outstanding, and you were excellent from beginning to the end."

Gigi came to us after suffering a devastating loss. She came to us because "The information that was on Gerry's website and received from Gerry was very helpful when I had many questions in understanding my case and situation."

Gerry's comment:

One of the challenges in Gigi's case was that the doctor who rendered care and treatment to Gigi was not an employee of the hospital where she received treatment. Instead, he turned out to be an employee of the federal government which raised a major challenge. Although we had brought a lawsuit against the hospital and nurses in state court, we were now required to bring a separate lawsuit in federal court against the United States government.

Imagine sending the lawsuit papers to Gigi which stated that she is now suing the United States government. It turns out that the doctor who was employed by the government was actually the key target in this medical negligence case. Although we conducted depositions, also known as question and answer sessions under oath, it was readily apparent that the primary person who departed from good and accepted care was the attending physician.

Early discussions with the assistant US attorney

revealed that all parties would benefit from early settlement discussions which ultimately led to resolving this case. Gigi and her husband were a pleasure to work with despite having undergone a horrific event

Gigi's comments:

"Your office has been outstanding communicating with me and explaining each step of the process and progress of my case.

I would recommend your office anyone that has to deal with medical malpractice in New York. I was very impressed by Gerry's knowledge of medical terminology. All of my questions were always answered and I was always clear and updated on where I stood throughout the case. This process has been very easy thanks to Gerry and Frances's (Gerry's secretary) professionalism and graciousness.

I would definitely recommend Gerry to a friend or family member."

Gigi Mileva Nassau County, NY

"Gerry's videos were enlightening and interesting." I gained a wealth of knowledge and understanding about the legal aspects of malpractice

cases, along with what to expect from the attorney and why the attorney will or will not take on your case as a client.

I watched many of Gerry's videos that proved to be quite beneficial for me. It's because of the videos that I called Gerry's law office. Watch the videos for yourself and you will see what I mean."

S.W. New York City

The next testimonial comes from an adult daughter whose mom had died as a result of a surgical procedure gone wrong. The anesthesiologist made horrible errors that lead to her untimely death...

"Gerry did an excellent job on my case!"

I was very anxious at times, because the outcome of my case was so important to me. This type of case is difficult to win, but Gerry never lost hope and always believed this case had merit. There were five years worth and thousands of pages of documents to read.

The genius stroke of the case, (and Gerry is a legal genius), was when Gerry isolated one crucial doctor's visit and the unbiased information the doctor recorded which ended up proving our case to the jury. I am more than pleased and give Gerry Oginski my highest recommendation."

A.F.

"You took our case when no one else considered it."

We had been to many other attorneys. Most did not even want to speak to us. We heard about you. You told us to come in, explained everything, took the case and won.

We were almost at the end of the statute of limitations, but you told us to come in and bring any documents we had. You told us we had a case; although I was skeptical, since no other attorney would take our case. You made us more relaxed about the case.

You are honest and sincere. I would definitely hire you again if another legal matter came up. I like the way you do business, and you knew my name when you saw me in the street. You never had to look anything up when I called. You knew who I was and gave me the answer right away.

Rich and Tony Lakovits Selden, NY

Here's an incredible note from a man who asked me for legal help, but since he was located outside of New York, I could not help him since I only practice law in New York. I was then able to refer him to an attorney near where he lived.

"Dear Mr. Oginski,

I just want to thank you so much for your website. The content is exceptional and has been a true blessing to me during this difficult time by informing me and helping me to gain some sense of clarity. Your site is just so exceptionally done it is obvious that you have the gift of teaching and a real passion for your field."

John Kilgore, Florida

Comment by Gerry:

Thank you John for your kind words. I truly enjoy being able to educate consumers about how lawsuits work in the State of New York. Good luck to you.

Vickie Clayborn from New Castle, Indiana says

"I have a attorney for a medical malpractice case but I just wanted to write to you and tell you that I really have enjoyed listening to and watching your videos on failure to diagnose heart attack. Its been very helpful. Keep up the good work."

Gerry says:

Thanks for taking the time to let me know Vickie!

"I hired Gerry because of his reputation, experience and recommendation by many friends."

I originally heard about him from co-workers and friends of mine. He is friendly, very approachable, sharp and witty, and most important, consistently reliable

I found Gerry to be very courteous, professional and experienced. On our very first meeting he explained the process of how my lawsuit would work. I always appreciated that he returned my phone calls and e-mails promptly. His free reports, books, and newsletters were extremely informative and educational

Gerry's Secretary, Frances, was always friendly, courteous, very patient and treated me with respect.

If another legal matter came up (hopefully that will not happen) I would hire Gerry again in a second."

Bay Sayegh, M.D. Westbury, NY

This next testimonial comes from a woman who had a knee replacement. She was treated at one of the top hospitals in New York City by an excellent orthopedic surgeon. Unfortunately, he didn't put the hardware in correctly and Victoria suffered significant injury.

"Your professionalism was outstanding."

The overall efficiency of your office was stupendous, professional and caring. Your response to return phone calls was excellent. I was always called back the few times I left any message.

How do you rate our services to you? "Excellent"

The paperwork accuracy was excellent. I received updates all the time throughout the case. Gerry was friendly and caring and made me feel comfortable when calling."

I had never been treated better throughout the three years. The whole process I went through took almost three years, but somehow it didn't seem that long because Gerry and his office were constantly keeping me updated on what was occurring. I think that made it feel like it was just the other day we met.

Please know that if you are in Gerry's hands, you will have the best representation available anywhere.

Victoria Suarez-Soto Queens, N.Y.

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Victoria's daughter felt compelled to write in also. Here's what she had to say...

The final outcome of this case has given my mother more than just monetary relief. It has given her a silver lining for the toughest three years of her life.

Let me begin by saying that I am writing this letter on behalf of my mother with much of her input.

She would like to extend her warmest thanks and let you know that she is very grateful for your hard work and persistence. It has been an extremely long battle from surgery to litigation, and finally to settlement

Along the way, much has happened with my mother that could have potentially posed a problem. You were very understanding in having to correspond with me during my mother's fragile state. You did an exceptional job in keeping me abreast of your every move on this case.

You treated us with the most respect and made my mother feel that her case and her best interest was priority to you.

Your level of expertise was apparent from the beginning of the case right down to the settlement attained. Again, it's been a long haul and as a daughter, I am grateful that my mother had you to

represent her. The final outcome of this case has given my mother more than just monetary relief. It has given her a silver lining for the toughest three years of her life. Thank you again from the bottom of our hearts

Sincerely,

Victoria Soto and J.P. (Daughter) Queens, N.Y.

Joseph's tragedy began when he went to a urologist who performed two surgical procedures that began a year and a half of what can only be described as a "Urology Nightmare."

From the very beginning, Gerry displayed very good professionalism. He was able to be professional as well as showing concern and care at the same time

His documentation and follow ups were very reliable, and I would definitely recommend him to a friend or family member in need of his services.

As far as the settlement is concerned, we are <u>extremely</u> happy with the outcome.

Joseph MJU (After this case was over he relocated outside of New York)

Gerry and Frances were very helpful and knowledgeable when they advised me throughout the process.

Their help made the process run very smoothly. I am very grateful for all they have done for me and am very happy with the outcome of my settlement.

Susan Choinski New Hyde Park, NY

This next testimonial comes from a family whose mother had gone in for a colonoscopy and died of complications during the procedure.

The problem was that it should never have been done in the doctor's office. Rather, because of prior problems, it should have been done in a hospital.

"Hi Gerry! I want you to know I think of you often and can never thank you enough for all you have done for me and my sisters."

You are the best. I hope you and your family are doing great. I miss your smile and your beautiful personality and your great suits. May god bless you and your family.

Love you,

Arlene D

Brooklyn, NY

I have never been involved in a lawsuit until recently, and I am thankful you accepted my case and represented me. You always returned my calls. In fact, you answered your phone yourself at times.

Your Legal Assistant, Frances, was also excellent. Any time that I spoke with her, she always knew everything about my case and always answered my questions with a knowledgeable and detailed answer.

It did not take me long to realize that I was in excellent hands, and that was comforting in itself. I was satisfied with the settlement outcome considering the nature of my injury. You are as professional as it gets because you care.

Thankfully and sincerely yours,

Mitchell Bartnicki Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Attorney Oginski,

Thank you very much for your wonderful help with my case and invitation to help if I ever need it again in the future

It is so soothing to know a person so caring, professional and competent like you. Thank you also for your warm wishes for health for me and my family. Same to you and your family and great successes in your brilliant career. I will definitely pick up the phone to call you if I need you again.

Mircela Nita Queens, NY

In this next case, Johnny's young daughter was hospitalized at a well-known hospital in New York. Unfortunately, the doctors failed to recognize that her condition was worsening and she needed to have part of her lung removed.

I was very pleased with the professionalism & courtesy that Gerry's office provided to my daughter's case as well as my family. I would strongly recommend Gerry to anyone seeking justice.

Johnny Celestin Queens, NY Jeannette's case involved a surgeon who botched her foot badly.

Mr. Oginski was very courteous and pleasant to work with. His work was very thorough, efficient, swift and precise. All of these words define excellence.

I would recommend Mr. Oginski to anyone who asks for legal advice.

Jeanette Mason Brooklyn, NY

In this next case, Anthony's dad had been misdiagnosed with a devastating lung condition. He had been exposed to asbestos many years earlier and was suffering from a severe lung disease. However, his doctors were treating him for the wrong lung disease.

Gerry was a true professional and extremely knowledgeable. This was my first experience in the legal system, and it was frustrating at times.

Mr. Oginski kept us abreast of all issues and matters. The settlement, given our circumstances, was very acceptable.

Anthony Gonzalez Queens, NY In Dina's case, the surgeon who performed her procedure failed to recognize her surgical injury in a timely fashion.

My first visit with Gerry Oginski was a little overwhelming since I did not know him or he us, and it was only about 2 months after my surgery.

He gathered information needed and was very accurate in giving us the time frame for the settlement, if there was to be one. His fee statement was accurate and helpful when we reviewed it at home.

At any time during the case, I was able to call Mr. Oginski and ask questions that were on my mind. I also noted that a phone call after business hours was no problem.

Frances, his assistant, was also very helpful and courteous on the phone. She was prompt and always made sure my requests were satisfied.

Mr. Oginski always made me feel that I was very important to him and seemed very concerned about my future. We were very happy about the settlement, since we were not sure we had a case, although I felt we did.

I was very confident with Mr. Oginski and his office. I would recommend him with great

confidence knowing he would do his best for all his clients. Thanks again.

Dina Martirano Westchester, NY

In Donna's case, the hospital literally missed the brain tumor right in front of their eyes.

Dear Mr. Oginski,

I am able to maintain a secure life in spite of my disabilities and I'm able to pay my medical bills and other everyday expenses because of the great work you and your firm put into this case.

This letter is to express my greatest appreciation and gratitude for the way you handled my malpractice lawsuit.

You produced very satisfying and timely results. Thanks for your professionalism and expert representation.

Again thank you so much for your help. I will recommend you to a relative or friend who would need a lawyer with confidence that they would benefit and be highly satisfied with your assistance.

Donna L. Williams Brooklyn, NY In this next catastrophic case, this gentleman suffered a massive heart attack at the young age of 34. The sad reality is that this was preventable, had the hospital cardiologist correctly read the patient's EKG.

We truly felt as though we were being helped by a good friend and this case was not just another file number.

We are very happy with the settlement that you obtained. This was a great accomplishment that was made possible by your dedication and experience.

Your sincere and caring manner helped to make this experience easier than expected. We would be happy to recommend you to anyone. You've been great! Thanks for everything.

V.A. & L.A. Brooklyn, NY

Millie's case involved a slip and fall in her parking lot. The snow removal company did not properly remove the snow causing her to fall and suffer significant injury.

It is with total respect and appreciation for Mr. Oginski and Frances that I write this short "thank

you". My case was handled with total professionalism, knowledge and compassion.

I am pleased with my settlement, because I know that Gerry was totally dedicated to the most favorable outcome possible.

Good luck with your book. Keep the newsletters coming!

Millie Provenzano Staten Island, NY

In this case, an anesthesiologist failed to recognize that the patient threw up her stomach contents and inhaled it into her lungs. That's known as aspiration pneumonia. Unfortunately, the patient died because of the doctor's negligence.

How can I find the right words to thank you?

Your kindness and caring meant so much to my sisters and I. Thank you for being the person you are. You are a wonderful young man.

My mother must have sent you to us. You always knew the perfect words to make us feel better. Thank you for working so hard to see that justice was done for our mother.

I feel like a bond was formed between us. You showed us you cared, not only about us, but our mother. I thank you from the bottom of my heart. May god bless you and your family.

Barbara Piekarz Brooklyn, NY