



## A Note From Lin

The breaking news about the Norfolk Southern train derailment and chemical disaster in Ohio began a deluge of headlines about chemical spills. **According to a recent article in the Guardian**, in the first seven

weeks of 2023 alone, more than 30 incidents were recorded by the **Coalition to Prevent Chemical Disasters**, roughly one every day and a half. Last year the coalition recorded 188, up from 177 in 2021. The group has tallied more than 470 incidents since it started counting in April 2020.

As a seasoned trial and personal injury attorney, including my body of work as past President of the Texas Trial Lawyers Association, I understand the complexities involved and the meticulous process required to develop a winning case on behalf of my clients. **Television host Andrew Craft asked me to appear on his show “LiveNow From Fox”** to discuss the Ohio chemical spill and the impact of the exposure to the carcinogens



Map of reported chemical accidents in the US created by Coalition To Prevent Chemical Disasters. Red icons indicate accidents from 1 January to 31 December 2022. Purple icons indicate accidents since 1 January 2023. Photograph: Coalition To Prevent Chemical Disasters

released on wildlife, groundwater, land, private property, and residents' health. We also talk about Norfolk Southern approaching residents and offering them \$5000 in exchange for a signed release to any claims. It's a tactic known as "Swoop and Settle" that essentially nullifies any future claim a resident may have by offering them a pittance, thereby preventing them from participating in a large settlement or verdict.

If you'd like additional information on this topic, check out the [Chemical Spill resource page](#) I developed, which covers safety steps, how to proactively document and monitor your health, property owners' legal rights, and many other helpful tips.

Please let us know if we can help you with anything because we consider ourselves "*your* serious injury attorneys."

Lin McCraw

CEO / Managing Partner

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## Employee Spotlight: Janet Vega, Legal Assistant

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Janet is responsible for managing cases for clients who are injured due to the negligence of others. She contributes to gathering evidence and preparing legal documents from start to finish. Her work is critical in working with medical providers to ensure clients receive appropriate medical treatment. She regularly communicates with clients to ensure they are well-informed about the progress of their case.



### *How does your job make an impact on clients?*

I help ease the client's anxiety by clearly explaining things and ensuring they are well-informed about their cases. As a bilingual case manager, I

can communicate effectively with clients in their preferred language, making them feel more comfortable and confident in our services. My role also results in fair compensation for the client, allowing them to move on with their lives following their injury. All of these factors, when considered together, can positively impact the client's overall experience and outcome.

***Where did you grow up?***

I grew up right here in McKinney, Texas.

***What do you like to do for fun?***

Spending time with family and friends is very important to me.

***What is one thing about you that most people don't know?***

I have 3 beautiful children! Liam is turning 9, Adrian is 8, and my youngest Isabella is 6.

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## Featured Client Testimonial

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"I cannot begin to tell you how incredibly pleased we are to have the McCraw Law Group handling our case. We were fortunate to be teamed up with Charlie Ginn, and he was simply outstanding from Day 1. Charlie & his team were completely professional at all times. We discussed at length our case, from beginning to end. Reviewing the injury & applicable laws, genuinely seeking our desired outcome, and implementing a realistic plan as to what we could accomplish together. He came through for us 100%. I just don't think he will ever truly know what a difference he has made in the life of our family. Thank you again for being our Champion."

*-Jared Entzminger*

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