



## UNITE IN CBS - HOW YOUR UNION HELPS YOUR FAMILY

Dear Colleague

**I think everyone probably knows about how useful the Union can be when you have a problem at work - but did you know that Unite can also help you and your family with non-work related problems ?**

### **UNITE MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES SHOULD'NT SETTLE FOR LESS**

**Did you know that if you have an accident you are entitled to independent legal advice?**

As a Unite member you can obtain this legal advice free from the union. Members of your family can have this benefit too. Unite has found that claimants who do not get independent legal representation and instead deal direct with insurance companies sometimes get less than their injury deserves or may get nothing at all. Unite has settled cases where union members were offered compensation by an insurance company, however after seeking legal advice from a Unite solicitor the offer made to them was doubled.

### **UNION LEGAL SUPPORT**

Last year, Unite won over £125 million in compensation for members. As a member of Unite, not only do you get a high standard of legal representation, but the union does not take a percentage of your claim. This means that the union is better than "no win – no fee solicitors", we are "no fee – whether you win or lose". And what is more we carefully select our lawyers and only use experts in their fields.

### **FREE LEGAL HELP ON NON-WORK MATTERS**

When you join Unite, we're not just a friend at work, but at home too. As a member, you are entitled to free initial legal advice on any non-work related

matter, anytime, visit our website or by ringing our 24-hour Legal helpline. This valuable benefit could put your mind at rest on matters such as motoring offences, consumer complaints or property disputes.

**Join on line [www.unitetheunion.com](http://www.unitetheunion.com)**

### **ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE FROM THE OUTSET**

UNITE provides a wide range of legal services which can help you both at work and at home.

These are free to all members and are one of the most valuable benefits UNITE provides.

Approach Unite for help straightaway - there may be time limits for your claim. In cases of personal injury you have three years to start proceedings, but the sooner you have an independent qualified solicitor looking after your interests, the better. But remember in many employment cases the time limit is three months

### **HOW TO CONTACT US**

You can obtain free initial advice on any non-work-related legal matter by telephoning our 24-hour helpline on 0870 240 45 45.

Our network of advisers offer confidential advice on criminal law, family law, consumer law, property and land law, wills and trusts, nuisance and trespass and a host of other legal issues.

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