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Hotel Arbez is located 1/2 in Switzerland and 1/2 in France. This unusual setup is an unintended consequence of the 1862 Treaty of Dappes, by which France and Switzerland agreed on a small territorial swap, in order to allow full French control of a nearby strategic road.

A provision was made in the treaty for any buildings along the border to remain in place, a circumstance that a local entrepreneur used to open a shop and a bar, in order to take advantage of the cross-border trade. The hotel would follow in 1921.

The result is that roughly half the hotel is in France and the other half in Switzerland, with the international border bisecting the restaurant and several of the rooms.



Off The Press

How Contingency Fees Work

by: Marcus B. Boston, Esq.

Why you can afford to investigate your baby's brain injury, even though you may not think this is possible initially. From time to time, we have an opportunity to talk with parents who are concerned about the financial aspect of hiring a birth injury attorney. These parents will usually make it plain and clear that the financial aspect may have an impact on whether they can move forward with an investigation into the cause of their baby's traumatic brain injury at birth, namely HIE.

At the conclusion of this article you should have a better understanding as to some of the tools that can be used to help investigate your baby's brain injury. With these types of cases in certain instances the financial aspect of things should not preclude a family from being able to get this type of investigation done.

Why You Can Afford To Investigate Your Baby's Brain Injury

It has been my experience that when I talk with many parents they think that to hire a birth injury attorney they will have to pay the attorney an hourly rate. In other words, the thought process is that they will have to pay the attorney by the hour to take the case. With this understanding, a family can be discouraged because of how long it can take to get to the end of a birth injury case.

If you are looking to engage a birth injury attorney, one thing you should ask about is whether the attorney or law firm can work on your case through a contingency fee agreement. A contingency fee agreement is one way that families and attorneys can meet in the middle when looking to investigate the cause of a traumatic brain injury.

How a contingency fee agreement works is that it is a contract between the client and the attorney in which the attorney agrees to put up the money in advance to prosecute the case. In return, the attorney can recover their costs and legal fees at the conclusion of the case either through a settlement or successful jury verdict. Under this type of agreement, this can allow a family to have access to a birth injury investigation and the prosecution of their claim without having to spend much money initially.

When discussing a contingency fee agreement, it is imperative to still understand that these agreements are contracts. As a reminder, you should not sign and enter into a contractual agreement until you understand all of the terms of the agreement. As a result, a family should be sure to review the terms of any contingency fee agreement before signing. If there are terms in the agreement in which a family does not understand, they should be sure to get clarification from the attorney or law firm before signing.

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Moore/Miller Inaugural Gala

Here are a few photos from the Moore/Miller Inaugural Gala. Lt. Gov. Miller addresses the crowd. Gov. and 1st Lady Moore share a moment. Celebrities Chris Tucker and Dru Hill performed for the crowd.



OOPS!

Faux Pas = \$\$\$

Our first newsletter of the year contained a major "oops." The first person to identify it and email us: medicalinjury@bostonlawllc.com will receive a \$500 Visa gift card with their March newsletter.

Things to do in the DMV (and nearby) this month

3rd-5th: Paw Patrol Live in Fairfax, VA

3rd-5th: Chocolate Lover's Festival in Fairfax

9th: National Pizza Day

18th-: Disney 100, The Exhibition in Philly

25th-26th: Spirit of Washington Lunch Cruise

Kudos

Congrats to BLG! We recently resolved a multi-million dollar case for another family. Now this family has access to interventions and therapies for their child.

Thank you for your support!

On to help the next family!

Slow-Cooker Beef & Broccoli



Ingredients

- 1 1/4 lbs boneless beef chuck roast or flank steak sliced thinly across the grain
- 1/8 teaspoon sea salt and 1/4 teaspoon black pepper or to taste
- 1/2 teaspoon sesame oil
- 3 1/2 cups broccoli florets
- 1 tsp flour/cornstarch or other thickener
- 1 tablespoon cold water

FOR THE SAUCE

- 2 cloves garlic minced
- 1/2 teaspoon fresh minced or grated ginger
- 1/4 cup low sodium soy sauce
- 1/2 cup beef broth
- 1/2 teaspoon brown sugar)
- 1 teaspoon sesame oil

Directions

- 1. Season beef with salt, black pepper and 1/2 teaspoon sesame oil. Lightly sear on a medium hot skillet.
- 2.Combine sauce ingredients and place in your slow cooker. Add seared beef and toss together to coat.
- 3. Cover and cook on HIGH for 45 minutes 2 hours or LOW for 1.5 -3 hours (every slow cooker cooks at a different heating level be sure to check times according to your slow cooker).
- 4. Meanwhile, place broccoli in a microwave-safe bowl with 1/4 cup water. Microwave 2 3 minutes until broccoli is tender (skip this step if you prefer and cook directly in the slow cooker).
- 5.Once the beef is done (or about 30 minute before serving) and if you prefer a thicker sauce, in a small bowl, whisk together thickener with 1 tablespoon cold water. Whisk into the Slow Cooker (You can also transfer the beef to a bowl first if you prefer before whisking in the thickening slurry). Add the broccoli and cover and allow to cook on HIGH until sauce has thickened and or broccoli is tender (about 10-15 minutes).

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