

Estate of Fox Rothschild Partner Who Died in Car Crash Files Wrongful Death Suit

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What You Need to Know

- Feldman Shepherd attorneys have filed a wrongful death suit on behalf of deceased Fox Rothschild partner Harry Jackson III.
- The suit alleges that a tractor-trailer driver's negligence caused Jackson's death at the age of 33.
- Jackson had been a member of Fox Rothschild's gaming department and co-chair of the firm's American Indian Law Practice.

Attorneys with Feldman Shepherd Wohlgelernter Tanner Weinstock Dodig have filed a wrongful death lawsuit on behalf of a Fox Rothschild partner who died in a car crash last year at age 33.

Harry Jackson III was an Atlantic City, New Jersey-based member of the Am Law 100 firm's gaming department and co-chair of its American Indian law practice.

Jackson died July 29, 2022, when his car collided with a jackknifed tractor-trailer on

Interstate 476, according to the complaint. "I don't think an accident like this occurs without reckless conduct," said Feldman Shepherd co-managing shareholder Alan Feldman.

Now, Jackson's estate is suing the tractor-trailer's driver, Cheick Yameogo, and the vehicle's owner, Western Express Inc., for allegedly causing the crash through negligence and recklessness.

The plaintiff is seeking punitive damages in addition to bringing wrongful death and survival actions.

"This was clearly a young lawyer who was going places," Feldman said. "He was enormously respected by his colleagues."



Harry S. Jackson III,
partner with Fox Rothschild in
Atlantic City.

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**Alan Feldman of Feldman
Shepherd Wohlgernter
Tanner Weinstock Dodig.**

Jackson's attorneys filed the complaint on May 11 in the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas after several months of investigating the accident, Feldman said.

According to the complaint, witnesses to the accident told State Police that the tractor-trailer operated by the defendant was the sole cause of the crash.

The defendants are represented by Jonathan Springer, an associate with Salmon, Ricchezza, Singer & Turchi. Springer declined to comment.

Feldman said he did not know Jackson while he was alive but that he has spoken to Jackson's colleagues at Fox Rothschild. "I've never heard anyone described in such glowing terms," Feldman said.

'World Was His Oyster'

In an obituary from the New Jersey Law Journal, an affiliate of The Legal Intelligencer, Fox Rothschild gaming department co-chair C.J. Fisher remembered Jackson as "one of the kindest, nicest people that you will ever meet."

He was an engaged member of the Nanticoke Lenni-Lenape Tribal Nation, according to the obituary, and served as secretary to its council, which oversees the governance of the tribe and establishes laws, resolutions, and administrative and fiscal policies.

"Giving back to his local community, whether it was as to the tribe or more broadly. That's just who Harry was, and something we all can aspire to," Fisher said.

According to Feldman, Jackson died shortly after becoming a partner and getting engaged.

"The world was his oyster," Feldman added. "Harry's passing is just a reminder that we're on this earth for whatever time is allotted to us and that we have to enjoy every day."