## Loss of Consciousness from a Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)

A traumatic brain injury may leave someone in a state of altered consciousness, unable to interact with the world around them like they used to. This loss of consciousness can vary in severity depending on the particular areas of the brain damaged in the injury as well as how serious that damage was. In any case, an injured individual may require substantial monitoring and care, as they are often completely incapable of completing even basic tasks on their own.

At <u>Stepleton Dugan, LLC</u>, we work with our Cincinnati clients closely to provide them with powerful legal resources and a strong voice in their fight for justice after sustaining brain injuries due to other people's negligent actions. As the victim of this type of injury, you likely need financial help to cover the expenses you are experiencing, making legal help in pursuing a <u>personal injury lawsuit</u> critical.

## Types of Lost Consciousness

Traumatic brain injuries may weaken or destroy certain areas of the brain responsible for maintaining a person's sense of consciousness. Without these areas functioning properly, a person may enter into an altered state of consciousness, which may make it difficult or impossible for them to interact with the outside world. The following types of lost consciousness may be a result of a brain injury:

- Coma, in which a person completely loses consciousness
  - A vegetative state, in which a person loses their sense of awareness, but may be able to react to limited stimuli
- A minimally conscious state, in which a person may regain some of their sense of local and self-awareness and may be able to react to limited stimuli
- Locked-in syndrome, in which a person is fully conscious but unable to move their body

Those injured and requiring medical care due to an altered state of consciousness may be left with immense financial burdens as a result of their special needs. Fortunately for their families, who often shoulder these expenses, <u>financial compensation</u> may be awarded after a successful lawsuit.

## Contact a Personal Injury Lawyer in Cincinnati

If you or someone you love has sustained a brain injury leading to a loss of consciousness because of another person's negligence, our legal team at Stepleton Dugan, LLC might be able to help you pursue compensation. For more information about how we may be able to assist you with your personal injury claim, call 513-449-6041 today.