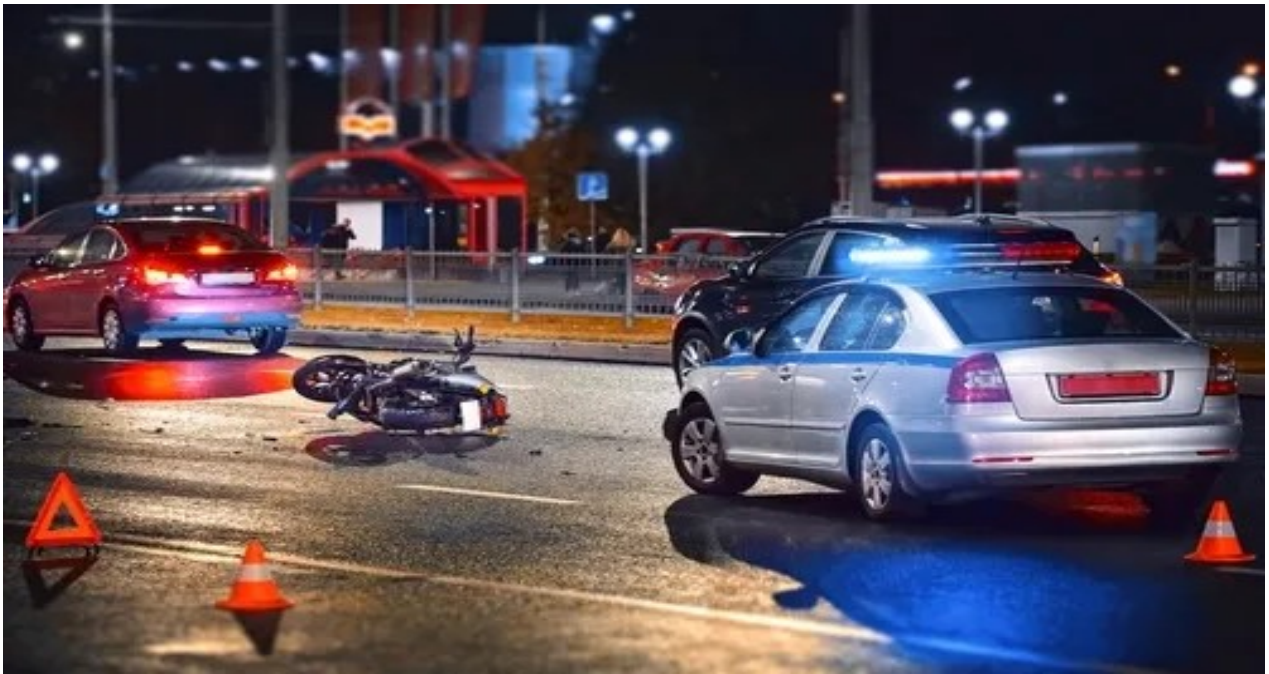




## **Atlanta Accident Lawyers Addresses Fatal Motorcycle Lane-Change Crashes**

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Atlanta Accident Lawyers is addressing the legal challenges facing motorcycle crash victims after three fatal motorcycle collisions were reported in the Atlanta area within a five-week span, with lane-change and left-turn conflicts appearing among the recurring crash mechanisms. On August 28, 2026, a male motorcyclist was killed when his Harley-Davidson collided with a BMW SUV at the intersection of Memorial Drive SE and Boulevard SE. The Atlanta Police Department responded, and investigators confirmed the fatal intersection crash, one of several Atlanta motorcycle fatalities recorded in the final weeks of August.

Weeks earlier, on August 7, 2026, a fatal motorcycle crash on Interstate 75 near Mt. Paran Road killed one person and left a second in critical condition. According to law enforcement statements reported at the time, a preliminary investigation cited motorcycle racing and an improper lane change as contributing factors.

In early September 2026, a 24-year-old Atlanta Police Department recruit died following a motorcycle crash on Moreland Avenue, according to local news reports. The fatality occurred on one of Atlanta's

BeltLine-adjacent surface arterials, a location that illustrates how such crashes can occur on high-volume surface roads as well as on interstates.

According to guidance published by the Georgia Department of Driver Services, motorcycle activity in the state generally extends across much of the year rather than concentrating solely in summer months. Riders share lanes with passenger vehicles and commercial trucks on corridors such as I-75, I-285, Moreland Avenue, and Memorial Drive throughout an extended riding season.

"An improper lane change happens in less than two seconds and is frequently captured on neither the at-fault driver's dashcam nor any fixed GDOT camera," said Shannon Ludwig, a spokesperson for Atlanta Accident Lawyers. "That makes witness accounts and physical evidence such as scrape marks, debris patterns, and final rest positions central to establishing the driver's fault. Under an apportionment framework, an insurer may construct a speed or positioning argument to shift responsibility to the rider, using that same two-second window to claim the rider should have anticipated the lane change."

Under Georgia's modified comparative fault standard, a motorcycle accident victim may recover damages as long as the victim is found less than 50 percent at fault. In lane-change crashes, an at-fault vehicle's insurer may examine whether the motorcycle was in a blind spot due to positioning, traveling above posted speed limits, or filtering between lanes in violation of Georgia law, since such findings can affect the rider's assigned fault percentage. Georgia's SB 68 addresses how fault may be apportioned among parties when more than one vehicle's conduct contributed to a collision, a framework that can apply when multiple vehicles are involved in a lane-change motorcycle crash in Fulton County.

Ludwig added that crash-scene investigation is a central part of the firm's response. "Preserving physical evidence and canvassing for witnesses before the scene is cleared is one of the primary tools riders have against a fault-shifting argument," Ludwig said. As an ATL Accident Lawyer Atlanta motorcycle accident lawyer team, the firm works to document a scene while evidence remains intact. Riders can find additional information on the firm's website.

Traffic-safety literature commonly identifies unsafe lane changes, left-turn conflicts, blind-spot failures, distracted driving, and following too closely among the crash mechanisms in motorcycle collisions. In a left-turn conflict, a vehicle turning left fails to yield to an oncoming motorcycle, often leaving the rider little time to brake or evade before the turning vehicle enters the lane of travel.

Atlanta Accident Lawyers is a network of personal injury law firms representing injured motorcyclists and other accident victims across the Atlanta metro area and throughout Georgia. The firm handles motorcycle

accident claims, including lane-change crashes, left-turn conflicts, and intersection fatalities, along with car accidents, truck accidents, rideshare collisions, and pedestrian accidents. An experienced Atlanta motorcycle accident lawyer at the firm works on a contingency fee basis.

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