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## California Workers' Compensation Appeals Process

Employees who get injured in the workplace often miss work because of their injuries. When workers' compensation petition for your work-related injuries is refused, the long review process can be challenging.

A refused workers' compensation claim is infuriating and can be quite disturbing, given that you are already managing your accident-related injury. Yet it is neither unusual nor the end of a claim's chances of being granted. You may still be able to obtain the benefits you require following a workplace accident if you opt for the workers' compensation appeals process.



**Claim Rejection: You are not the only one.**

According to certain insurance groups and workers' compensation boards, up to 33% of workers' compensation claims are denied on their first assessment, with variations depending on different variables.

Thirty-three (33) percent rejection percentage indicates that one out of every three wounded workers is not receiving the compensation benefits they are entitled to. You can always file a petition. Appeals allow a workers' compensation claimant the opportunity to request a re-examination of their claim to see whether the denial was fair or based on a legal error. Every state has its own appeals process.

**Claim Rejection: What is the next step?**

The first stage in an appeal is to file a request for reconsideration after getting an official denial of the claim in front of a workers' compensation judge. Once a claim is submitted, the California Workers' Comp Appeals Board will issue a decision. Potential scenarios include your petition being denied, reconsidered for additional procedures, or dismissed.

**What is the timeline of the workers' compensation claim resolution?**

The appeals procedure, like your initial workers' compensation claim, will take time. There is no set timeline for resolving claims, although some circumstances will impact the procedure. The hearing will be attended by you, your attorney, and the claims supervisor for your employer. The court will rule whether the insurance provider should recognize your claims and will work with all parties to achieve an agreement. If no agreement is reached, the court will set a date for a trial overseen by a different judge.

You must be present at the trial, as well as any witnesses you may request to appear for your defense. You will get written confirmation of the judge's ruling by mail within 90 days of the trial. If you are dissatisfied with the judge's decision, you may apply for re-evaluation.

Consulting with a workers' compensation lawyers can help you in your claim process and increase your chances of getting the benefits granted.

Our workers' compensation attorneys at Kenton Koszdin Law Office in Van Nuys are your go-to pros regarding workers' compensation claims, including claims that are difficult to prove. Call today at 800-438-7734 for a free case evaluation, either in your office or in the comfort of your home. Our dedicated legal team can help you collect the full and fair compensation you deserve.

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# What Effect Does Marriage Have on SSDI Benefits?

Did you know if you are disabled and receiving Social Security Disability (SSD) benefits, your marital status does not impact your SSD payments? You will continue receiving SSD payments if you remain single or married.

However, SSD programs have different eligibility requirements for married and unmarried people associated with a disabled individual. Some benefits are only for those members of the family that are not married, for instance, children of disabled parents. On the other hand, if you divorce a disabled person and remarry, your benefits on account of your ex-spouse will cease.



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## Haunted History of LA's Haunted Houses

Halloween is not complete without its spookiness. Fortunately, if you live near LA, there really are lots of places to go for a good scare throughout October. There is an abundance of simulated fear around the city, from Downtown to Long Beach to Griffith Park. It is best to go to the right areas on the right night to experience the thrill to its fullest. It would be beneficial to make a few phone calls before you plan to show up.

Los Angeles, a metropolis of its size, has its skeletons, horror stories and demons. Here is a list that contains some truly terrifying locations, so approach with caution:

### Castle Horror

The Rosenheim Mansion, a historic site, was erected in 1902. It had been a private residence until it was taken up by a Catholic Christian organization that owned the house for around fifty years. The famous horror television series "The American Horror Story" chose the house for its production purposes as the castle-like facade made it an ideal candidate for the show's first season.

### Beverly Hills Murder Triangle

The nearby properties in Beverly Hills surrounding this odd triangle of land have taken on a peculiar vibe. Many LA socialites living in the area over the course of many decades have been either murdered or have had near-death experiences due to some freak accidents.

### The Entity Horror House

The terrifying 1981 film "The Entity" was inspired by the serial torture of homeowner Doris Bither within these walls during the early 1970s. Her children saw these atrocities taking place.

### Linda Vista Hospital

Want to know where some scenes from the horror movies like *Insidious* and *Day of the Dead* were filmed? Linda Vista Hospital is the place for you. There has been a hospital on this site since 1904. The Linda Vista Hospital was meant to cater to railroad workers. The hospital's use had dwindled by the late 1980s, and it was abandoned in 1991. Following the closing, it was explored by nearly every paranormal television show and group. Many ghosts, both patients and employees, were observed wandering the hospital corridors. Its eerie aspect makes it the ideal setting for several movie productions.

### Griffith Park - The Old Zoo

By day, this is a charming homage to one of LA's original zoos. The cave-like walls and bars of the zoo, which now serve as a picnic park, were home to lions, bears, and monkeys. By night, the atmosphere here is much darker. The souls of the miserable creatures who formerly lived in these little homes frequently spook you out.

### Thriller House

Pay homage to Michael Jackson. Video of one of his most famous numbers, "thriller" was shot here. You can visit the Victorian house in Carrol Ave if the video does not completely scare you.

We hope you enjoy a spooky, crawly, scary Halloween this year!



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If you or a loved one has been denied [Workers' Compensation](#) or [Social Security Disability \(SSDI\) benefits](#), it's important to get an attorney experienced in these types of cases involved immediately. Call **800-438-7734** for your initial free consultation, either in our office or in the comfort of your own home. [The Kenton Koszdin Law Office, Social Security attorney in Van Nuys](#), can help you navigate the application process for the best possible outcome for you and your family.



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## Recipe of the Month: Whole Wheat Pumpkin Waffles



Fall flavors abound in these pumpkin waffles! A great option for a leisurely Sunday breakfast or freeze them to eat through the week.

### Ingredients:

1 cup milk  
1 egg, separated  
1/2 cup plain pureed pumpkin  
1/2 tsp vanilla extract  
3 Tbsp canola oil  
2 Tbsp brown sugar  
3/4 cup whole wheat flour  
1/2 cup all-purpose flour  
2 tsp baking powder  
1/4 tsp salt  
1/2 tsp cinnamon  
1/8 tsp nutmeg

### Directions:

1. Preheat waffle iron.
2. In a large bowl, combine milk, egg yolk, pumpkin, vanilla, oil and brown sugar together. Place egg white in a separate smaller bowl and beat with a hand mixer until firm peaks form. Set aside. Pour in remaining dry ingredients to the wet and slowly incorporate. Fold egg whites into waffle batter.
3. Spray waffle iron with non-stick cooking spray. Pour about 1/2 cup of batter onto waffle iron. Close the top slowly. Cook about 2 minutes or until waffles are crispy.
4. Serve immediately with butter and maple syrup.

*Recipe courtesy of Lauren's Latest*



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## What's Happening In Van Nuys & Southern California

**Oct 15 – 31**

Nights of the Jack  
King Gillette Ranch  
Calabasas

**Oct 16**

Sherman Oaks Street  
Fair 30th Edition  
Sherman Oaks Chamber  
of Commerce

**Oct 16**

Ringo Starr & His All Starr  
Band  
Greek Theatre

**Oct 30**

Marc Anthony  
LA Forum

**Nov 5**

Devin Daniels Quartet  
+ Zoh Amba Quartet  
2222 Arts & Archives  
LA

**Nov 6**

Best of France & Italy  
Car Show  
Woodley Park

**Nov 20**

Women's Cancer  
Run – 5K  
Woodley Park

