



SCAJ LAUNCHES PRO-BONO 'PAYMENT FOR POTHoles' PROGRAM

Palmetto State's Top Legal Group Offers Free Information To SC Drivers Impacted By Failing Roads

(COLUMBIA, SC) The South Carolina Association for Justice (SCAJ), the leading voice for plaintiff's attorneys in the Palmetto State, announced the creation of a new program to help drivers recover compensation for damages caused by the state's deteriorating roads.

"Payment for Potholes" will be a pro-bono portal for South Carolina residents whose vehicles have been damaged by potholes and crumbling roads. Through the [SCAJ.com website](http://SCAJ.com), residents with damaged vehicles will be connected with SCAJ member attorneys who can offer information on the South Carolina Department of Transportation's (SCDOT) damage claims process.

The following is a statement from SCAJ President R. Alexander Murdaugh regarding the new program:

"Many of our roads, bridges and highways are in a state of severe disrepair. The State of South Carolina has neglected its responsibility to properly repair our roadways, invest in our transportation infrastructure and keep our drivers safe.

"The SCDOT has a fund to compensate drivers for damages resulting from poor roadway conditions, but few people know about it. Our goal is to raise awareness of this fund and ensure every resident has access to the claims process.

"As trial lawyers, we are leaders of our communities. As an association, we fight tirelessly to protect the rights of the individual, including property rights. We felt this safety issue was too important to ignore, so we are lending our expertise to those impacted by the current roads crisis.

"In the long term, we hope lawmakers can set aside their political differences to pass a bill with a stable source of funding that will fix our roads once and for all. Until that happens, the 'Payment for Potholes' web portal will temporarily ease the burden on drivers at no cost to them."

The South Carolina Association for Justice was founded in 1957 to serve as advocates for those who are harmed by the actions of others and to strengthen the justice system through education and action. With a membership that spans all of South Carolina, SCAJ is a strong and growing organization fighting for fairness under the law. Visit SCAJ.com for more information on the Association.

Disclaimer: This offer to provide free legal services is limited to claims against SCDOT for property damages to vehicles as a result of road defects. This is not an offer of free legal representation against any other responsible parties or for claims of damage other than damage to vehicles. Although this service is pro-bono, you may wish to consult your lawyer or another lawyer instead of me (us). You may obtain information about other lawyers by consulting directories, seeking the advice of others, or calling the South Carolina Bar Lawyer Referral Service at 799-7100 in Columbia or toll free at 1-800-868-2284. If you have already engaged a lawyer in connection with the legal matter referred to in this communication, you should direct any questions you have to that lawyer. The exact nature of your legal situation will depend on many facts not known to me (us) at this time. You should understand that the advice and information in this communication is general and that your own situation may vary.