

You are invited to join
Mark Hillman

for a discussion about the impact of frivolous lawsuits and
strategies to reform the system.

Friday, October 5th at 7:30am at

The Egg and I (1st and Patterson) Grand Junction

Background

Colorado Lawsuit Abuse Watch (CO-LAW.org) is a project of the Colorado Civil Justice League. CO-LAW and CCJL are devoted to reining in lawsuit abuse and fighting for personal responsibility.

In the last 10 years, the number of lawsuits filed in Colorado has tripled.

Frivolous lawsuits hurt everyone. They increase the cost of everything Colorado families purchase. They suppress wages paid to Colorado workers. They waste time, increase stress, and hamper innovation and productivity at Colorado businesses.

Frivolous lawsuits hurt our economy, harm our families and threaten our future.

52,000 lawsuits are filed each day in the U.S.

83% of small business owners say the lawsuit system doesn't work well because lawyers clog the courts with lawsuits and real victims have to wait for justice.

Less than 45 cents of every dollar spent on lawsuits actually goes to compensate injured victims.

93% of small business owners say frivolous lawsuits are serious problem.

The cost to an employer of defending a wrongful-termination or discrimination lawsuit can be \$25,000 to \$50,000 without a trial - and more than \$100,000 if the case goes to trial.

One in three business owners say they have been sued or threatened with a lawsuit recently.

Businesses have no choice but to pass along these costs to consumers, through higher prices, or to workers, through lower wages.

Mark Hillman, executive director of CCJL, is a former Colorado State Treasurer and majority leader of the Colorado Senate. While serving in the state senate, he was recognized for his leadership in fighting against abusive lawsuits by being named National Legislator of the Year by the conservative American Legislative Exchange Council and receiving the Common Sense in the Courtroom award from Colorado Civil Justice League.