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Blackburn Romey attorneys (from left): Frank Wolferd, Ryan Lindinger, Tom Blackburn, Chad Romey, Christopher Blackburn and David Singleton.

## **Pre Suits Team, Sans Suits, Enjoy Outing**



Blackburn Romey Pre Suits gathered for lunch at The Watch in January. Shown from left to right: Tammy McClish, Israel Pernell, Jill Linnemeier, Chrystal Boys, Glory Keller and Ashley Kerl.

The Fort Wayne [Blackburn Romey](#) Pre Suit Team enjoyed a lunch outing together at the newly opened First Watch on Jan. 14. The team includes the legal assistants who handle new case files from start to finish ( a settlement) and/or until a lawsuit is filed. At that point, the case is handed over to the attorneys' paralegals and their assistants. Blackburn Romey encourages their staff to embody and embrace the core values on a daily basis and enjoy time away from the office for team collaboration and to embrace innovation amongst their colleagues.



Blackburn Romey Pre Suits (left to right) Jordan Ernst, Terry McComb, Lisa Jackson and Branden Pasick.



Alicia Johnson joined her fellow Blackburn Romey Pre Suits at the luncheon.

# Sweethearts Ball to Benefit A Rosie Place for Children

*Event will help medically fragile children & their families*



A Rosie Place for Children will host its 14th Annual Sweethearts Ball on Saturday, Feb. 14, at the Gillespie Special Event Center in South Bend. The event will benefit medically fragile children and their families. [Blackburn Romey](#) is an annual sponsor of A Rosie Place for Children.

Rosie Place for Children in South Bend offers respite care service for caregivers of the children and serves all 92 counties in Indiana. Situated on five acres, accommodations include six unique, kid-friendly and nature-inspired rooms for children. An in-depth assessment is provided by one of the center's registered nurses to ensure quality care and comfort.

Medically fragile children require daily care by specially trained caregivers above and beyond typical parenting. They often require therapies and/or specialized high-tech medical equipment to sustain or enhance their quality of life.

For more information on attending or supporting the fundraiser Sweethearts Ball, visit the [Rosie Place for Children website](#).

*(Photo from A Rosie Place for Children [website](#).)*



## Most Dangerous Intersections for Truck Accidents in Indiana

Truck collisions occur across Indiana every day, and Blackburn Romey has seen how fast-changing traffic patterns and heavy freight movement place drivers in vulnerable positions. Many of the **most dangerous intersections for truck accidents in Indiana** sit along routes used by commercial carriers traveling between major hubs, and these locations continue to produce severe injuries due to complex vehicle interactions. A clear understanding of how these intersections function helps injured motorists recognize where risks concentrate across the state.

### Why Indiana Intersections Pose High Risks for Truck Drivers

Indiana's position as a national freight corridor means commercial vehicles move through rural towns and large metropolitan areas with slight variation in volume. High speeds on approaching roadways often compress the time truck operators have to slow, merge, or turn once an intersection appears ahead. Heavy trailers require long stopping distances, so any abrupt movement by cross-traffic or a turning passenger vehicle creates conditions ripe for a collision.

Large distribution centers surrounding Indianapolis, Fort Wayne, South Bend, Lafayette, Merrillville, and Terre Haute push steady truck volume toward key crossroads. These areas combine fast-moving vehicles, frequent lane changes, and short signal cycles, which increase the likelihood of errors by truck drivers and nearby motorists. Many intersections also connect to

statewide highways, so trucks frequently enter these spaces while carrying significant momentum.

### **Factors That Increase Crash Severity at Intersections**

Blind spots extend along both sides of tractor-trailers, often hiding small vehicles during left turns or lane transitions. A semi-truck's wide turning arc reduces room for other motorists and often places trailers across multiple lanes. Heavy loads lengthen braking distance and limit maneuverability, so any misjudged gap or unpredictable movement amplifies crash severity.

Intersection design contributes to these hazards. The [Federal Highway Administration](#) identifies unsignalized intersections as the most common type in the United States, including stop sign-controlled, yield sign-controlled, and uncontrolled junctions typically found on low-volume rural or residential roads. These configurations increase crash severity when trucks enter or cross without traffic signals or controlled timing. When large commercial vehicles meet fast cross-traffic at such locations, both operators face narrow margins for error.

### **The Most Dangerous Intersections for Truck Accidents in Indiana**

Crash patterns across the state highlight intersections where freight density, roadway design, and traffic movement converge. The **most dangerous intersections for truck accidents in Indiana** often appear where high-speed travel transitions into crowded crossing points or where distribution-related traffic never tapers.

### **High-Risk Intersections on Interstates and Highways**

The intersection of US 31 and State Road 10 has established a reputation for frequent truck collisions due to a steady mix of rural drivers and commercial carriers moving through the corridor. Intersections at 38th and Six Points, and 236th and Six Points, experience persistent problems due to heavy traffic volume and limited maneuvering space. These locations introduce trucks into environments where rapid stops, immediate turns, and unpredictable flow produce a high crash rate.

Trucks navigating connections along I-69, I-70, U.S. 30, and I-80 confront hazards shaped by constant freight demand. These corridors handle substantial commercial movement, so approaching intersections often present sudden stopping conditions, tight merges, or rapid lane changes. When a truck shifts from expressway speed into an intersection with short reaction times, crash likelihood increases. These patterns reflect findings often noted in roadway safety discussions concerning routes that carry sustained heavy-truck mileage across Indiana.

Data from the [Indiana Criminal Justice Institute](#) explains how intersection crashes involve multiple junction types, including T-intersections, Y-intersections, four-way intersections, interchanges, traffic circles, ramps, and complex five-point designs, each within a defined roadway boundary.

## **Urban Intersections With High Truck Volume**

Cities across Indiana face unique challenges as trucks share compact spaces with continuous commuter flow. Indianapolis manages a high concentration of commercial vehicles near industrial districts, where intersections along Washington Street, Raymond Street, and Madison Avenue see steady freight traffic. Fort Wayne's major routes, including Coliseum Boulevard, Lima Road, and Coldwater Road, also demand constant attention from truck drivers navigating dense urban movement.

Urban intersections often include pedestrian crossings, tight turn pockets, and rapid light changes. Trailers swinging through left turns or wide right turns frequently encroach into adjacent lanes, exposing nearby motorists to danger. Heavy traffic, reduced visibility, and constant lane shifts create conditions that foster multi-vehicle collisions involving commercial trucks.

## **Common Causes of Truck Accidents at Indiana Intersections**

The causes behind intersection-related truck crashes emerge from predictable patterns, many tied to vehicle size, roadway design, or human error. Left-turn conflicts dominate many severe collisions, especially when trailers swing widely through crowded lanes. Crossing movements at rural intersections often involve drivers who misjudge a truck's speed or distance. When a smaller vehicle enters a junction prematurely, a truck operator rarely has enough time or space to react.

Speed plays a consistent role. Trucks entering intersections from high-speed segments frequently encounter stopped vehicles or turning motorists with limited time to adjust. Sudden braking while carrying a heavy load increases rear-end crash severity and can push a truck into adjacent lanes.

Blind spots hide passenger vehicles when trucks accelerate, brake, or initiate turns. These unseen areas contribute to angle collisions and sideswipes, especially in multi-lane intersections where smaller vehicles weave around commercial traffic. Distracted driving, fatigue, inexperienced operators, poor maintenance practices, and shifting cargo loads add layers of risk that compound upon the already challenging nature of intersection travel.

Indiana's mixed infrastructure, which includes rural two-lane roads, high-speed divided highways, and urban commercial corridors, places trucks in environments where quick adjustments become difficult. These conditions

continue to shape the **most dangerous intersections for truck accidents in Indiana**, revealing how structural design and heavy freight activity combine to create predictable but preventable crash patterns.

### **When to Contact an Indiana Truck Accident Lawyer**

Truck collisions often leave injured individuals facing significant medical expenses and complex insurance challenges. An experienced legal team can secure traffic engineering data, analyze intersection design, preserve commercial carrier evidence, and identify all responsible parties. **Blackburn Romey** handles truck accident cases across the state and understands how intersection-related crashes unfold at the **most dangerous intersections for truck accidents in Indiana**. Anyone injured in a collision involving a commercial vehicle can contact our office at **260-422-4400** to speak with a lawyer who understands Indiana's freight network and the steps required to pursue a successful claim.

### *Got Questions?*

*We've got the answers*

- [How long should you be sore after an accident?](#)
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# 5 Star Yelp Review

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My daughter and myself were in a hit and run accident in 2024 with the other driver not having insurance or a license. I called around and when I contacted Blackburn and Romey I was immediately put at ease and in touch with Frank (Wolferd). Everything from start to finish has been easy with Frank and the staff. They are always easy to call and text and respond right away. They explained everything to me step-by-step with time lines and outcome probability. They kept fighting for the best end result and still left it to me to decide how I wanted to proceed, never being pushy or ever telling me what to do. I would always recommend this firm 100% and Frank and the staff at Granger have been so welcoming and kind-hearted to my daughter. Thank you for everything you have done in the most uncertain and stressful time I had, assuring me I had nothing at all to worry about.



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