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Americans Should Have The Proper Protections When Bringing Lawsuits

By Anthony Sebok and Ronen Avraham

When the average American gets injured, defrauded and harassed every year, they end up owning something against their will: a lawsuit. Many of the victims in the #MeToo, movement, for example, now have the opportunity to bring a lawsuit and get damages.



Lawsuit Lending Gets A Bad Rap

By Anthony Sebok

Achieving justice through our legal system is daunting, particularly for the average person. As New York lawmakers debate a little-known but powerful part of it called consumer litigation finance, that's a point we shouldn't overlook.

Last month I testified at a state Senate hearing on the practice, in which victims pursuing justice through the court system get financial support—a pre-settlement advance—from legal funders.



Legal Settlement Cash Advances Aren't Loans: Ga. Justices

By Andrew Strickler

Kelly Gilroy, executive director of the American Legal Finance Association, said the decision recognizes “the fundamental differences between pre-settlement advances and loans.

The consumer funding industry “needs appropriate standards and regulation — such as those we supported in Oklahoma, Indiana, Tennessee and Vermont — to protect consumers and preserve access to this important resource,” she said. “ALFA will continue to advocate for these high standards so that victims can pursue justice, no matter the cost.”



Legal Funding Helps Advance Protections For The Disabled

By The Honorable Tony Coelho

Traveling on public transportation, writing an email or picking up groceries might seem like easy, mundane tasks. But for the one in five Americans with a disability, they present a serious challenge. Fortunately, these tasks are easier today than they were a few decades ago, in large part because the legal system has played a critical role in advancing the cause of disabled Americans.