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Jeff has focused his practice on representing truck crash victims for more than thirty years. While he has handled every kind of truck crash case, and has assisted truck crash victims from 37 different states, his area of emphasis has been Truck Driver Fatigue, and fighting for better and safer truck regulations and laws in Washington DC. Jeff has met with every Secretary of Transportation since meeting with Secretary Federico Pena in 1995 in support of efforts to improve the lives of truck drivers and the safety of trucks on our nation's highways. He was appointed to the National Freight Advisory Committee by Secretary of Transportation LaHood in 2013, with the goal of advising the Secretary regarding the future safety needs of all modes of transportation.

Jeff has served on the Board of Directors of Citizens for Reliable and Safe Highways (CRASH) since 1993 and has been National Transportation Counsel for Parents Against Tired Truckers (P.A.T.T.) since 1994. He currently sits on the Executive Committee of the Truck Safety Coalition, which has been a coalition of these two truck safety advocacy groups and others since 2001. Jeff is a former Director of the Center for Truck Safety.

Jeff is a frequent speaker not only for plaintiff's counsel, but also for truck industry groups, spreading the message that "Safety Pays:" there is a return on investment when trucking companies institute and strengthen bona fide safety programs. There is less litigation (and lower insurance premiums) and better driver retention: drivers stay with companies longer when they see stronger safety rules and a genuine commitment to help protect them and make their lives better.