

PHARMACY PRESCRIPTION ERRORS

Every year, close to 1.5 million people are injured and over 7,000 are killed as the result of medication errors. The most common errors include filling a prescription with the wrong drug or the wrong strength of the correct drug, or filling it with incorrect dosage instructions. Claims arising from pharmacy cases can be based on either simple negligence principles or professional malpractice principles.

The pharmacy as well as the pharmacist is typically named defendant in such a lawsuit. Often, the pace and under staffing problems with large chain pharmacies lead to critical mistakes. Pharmacy cases may appear simple on the surface but they can be complex especially when the defendants claim that they did not mis-fill the prescription but that a family member or patient possibly put the wrong medication in the bottle. Such mistakes on the part of family members and patients must be ruled out as possible causes.

If you or a family member has been injured by a mis-filled prescription, contact the pharmacy prescription error attorneys at **MARK W. SMITH & ASSOCIATES, PLC.**