

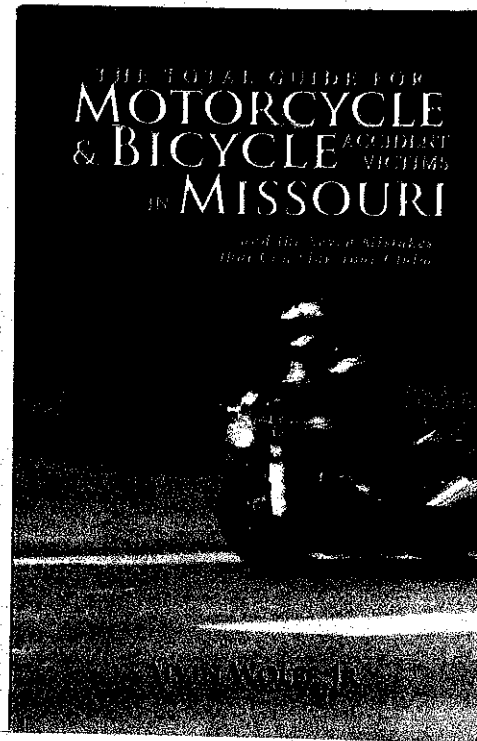
Some of Ogunmeno's advice takes a high level of courage and tenacity to follow. For instance, he advises a hypothetical shopper who is accused of shoplifting to ignore the security guard's demand to return to the store, and continue to walk away. If detained by force, she should refuse to allow a search, even if the

degree in 1991.

He still returns to Nigeria often, where he might someday be a king but couldn't be a lawyer without obtaining a license there. Ogunmeno said the Nigerian and U.S. legal systems are both built on British common law and are fairly similar. He said the advice in his book would work in

realizing that Ogunmeno wasn't going anything and having no probable cause to detain him, returned his license and let him go. "You see?" he told his companion as she drove away. "We didn't get killed." At a few days later, he said, "she was championing the book." **MC**

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The Total Guide for Motorcycle & Bicycle Accident Victims in Missouri

Word Association Publishers, 2009, \$16.95

Alvin Wolff Jr.'s 53-page guide is designed with the potential client in mind. The subtitle is "And the Seven Mistakes that Can Sink Your Claim." He goes right to work, addressing the reader: "Read this book before you hire a lawyer. Read this before you talk to the insurance adjuster or sign any paperwork. After reading this, you may decide you don't even need a lawyer."

Most of the book is devoted to letting the accident victim evaluate his or her case. The book is written in a direct-tips style with most sections including bullet points.

Wolff knows of what he speaks. An active bicyclist and former motorcyclist, he's been an attorney in St. Louis for more than 30 years.

Excerpt: "Insurance companies are notorious for talking to claimants before they have a chance to assess their legal rights. For many years one carrier used fear in preventing people from talking to lawyers, telling them that the lawyer would take one third of their money to prevent them from exploring their rights.

"You may not need a lawyer but you should not settle your case without understanding how the system works."