

## JMG WELCOMES TWO NEW ATTORNEYS

We aim to give our clients the best. To that end, we've added two new attorneys to our arsenal of client support and service. Our team boasts some of the best and brightest in the business. We encourage you to call in, write in, or stop in to meet them in person.



### EMAD S. LAWANDI <sup>ESQ</sup>

Mr. Lawandi got his start in pro bono clinics, serving citizens who couldn't afford traditional legal services and has earned honors for his work. Emad earned his B.A. (Honors) from the University of Toronto, majoring in Political Science and U.S. History, and his Juris Doctor from the Charlotte School of Law. He is passionate about the law and strives to serve the needs of his clients.

**Practice Areas** Real Estate • PIP Arbitrations • Civil Litigation

**Bar Admissions & Professional Associations** State of New Jersey • US District Court of New Jersey • New Jersey State Bar Association • Middlesex County Bar Association • American Bar Association



### RUI O. SANTOS <sup>ESQ</sup>

The most recent addition to the firm, Mr. Santos was selected as a Rising Star® by New Jersey Super Lawyers® from 2014 to 2016. Rui graduated Summa Cum Laude from Syracuse University's College of Law and Whitman School of Management where he received his Juris Doctor and Masters in Business Administration. A life-long resident of Monmouth County, Rui speaks Portuguese and Spanish. Mr. Santos enjoys fighting for the underdog and the defenseless.

**Practice Areas** Personal Injury • Workers' Compensation • Civil Litigation

**Bar Admissions & Professional Associations** State of New Jersey • State of New York • US District Court of New Jersey • Third Circuit US Court of Appeals • Monmouth County Bar Association • Middlesex County Bar Association • New Jersey State Bar Association • American Bar Association • New Jersey Association for Justice

Both of these new attorneys are deeply dedicated to providing exceptional service to their clients. They espouse the very virtues and talents consistent with the JMG brand. We welcome them and remain excited to see them grow with the firm.

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## COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT



Back To Wellness Center is an integrated, multi-disciplinary office dedicated to restoring quality of life so patients can live pain-free. They are committed to a high standard of care that emphasizes the importance of improving overall health. Owner Dr. Lucien Eid, graduated from Cleveland Chiropractic and has been certified by the American and NJ Board of Chiropractic since 1999. Visit the office or website for more info.

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**LEGAL  
ease**  
making law  
make sense

**a forti-or-i** /ah fohr-ti-oh-ree/ adverb. "from stronger."  
an argument stemming from a stronger reason - because one fact is true, a second related fact must also be true

**le-gal-ese** the formal and technical language of legal documents that is often hard to understand.

## ALL THINGS FALL

Crisp morning air, apple picking and endless homework. Here's what's on deck for the upcoming season.

### Autumn Activities

- ❖ Go apple and pumpkin picking.
- ❖ Check out a local corn maze.
- ❖ Hike a scenic trail and enjoy the fall foliage.
- ❖ Visit any autumn fair or food festival.
- ❖ Attend a college football game.

### Fall Home Projects

- ❖ Rake leaves; weed and fertilize the lawn.
- ❖ Seal gaps to prep for winter drafts.
- ❖ Powerwash your home
- ❖ Get the following inspected or repaired:
  - ❖ Furnace
  - ❖ Thermostat
  - ❖ Fireplace

### Reminder

*With school back in session and daylight savings coming to an end, remember to be rested and respectful on the road.*

## IMPORTANT DATES

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| Sep 4  | Labor Day             |
| Sep 22 | Autumn Begins         |
| Oct 9  | Columbus Day          |
| Oct 31 | Halloween             |
| Nov 5  | Daylight Savings Ends |
| Nov 7  | Election Day          |
| Nov 11 | Veterans Day          |
| Nov 23 | Thanksgiving Day      |

## THE LEGAL LOOP // SEPTEMBER 2017 THE AUTUMN EDITION

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“And the sun took a step back, the leaves lulled themselves to sleep and Autumn was awakened.”

- Raquel Franco

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## CRAZY CASES

PAID TO BE  
AFRAID.

HALLOWEEN  
HURTS & MAZE  
MISHAPS.

**Dixie, LA** - In 2002, a woman sued after she was injured when she fell while running through a haunted Halloween corn maze. The plaintiff was walking the maze when she was approached by an actor dressed as Jason Voorhees from the classic horror film, “Friday the 13th.” In a moment of fear, the women attempted to run away when she tripped and fell, breaking her leg. She filed a lawsuit against the maze owners, claiming negligence, citing the muddy conditions of the field, and for permitting “Jason” to wield a potentially harmful prop. The court sided with the defendant, determining that the plaintiff paid to be frightened and that the field’s muddy condition was obvious. ♦



## DO I REALLY NEED AN ATTORNEY TO BUY A HOME ?

Buying a home will likely be one of largest purchases you’ll ever make. Selling a home is just as significant. There are many moving parts to a real estate transaction, among the most intimidating are contracts, loan agreements and disclosures, municipal regulations and large sums of money. For these reasons, hiring a real estate attorney is wise decision. Real estate attorneys are hired to protect your interests, as they know what to do and where to look to ensure you’re informed and prepared for all aspects of your transaction. A strong attorney will do his or her best to ensure someone is looking out for you.

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