

Defective Medical Devices

No product is expected to work as accurately, and as safely, as a medical device. These, after all, are items built to protect us. But when they are poorly designed or manufactured, defects can result. So, too, can injuries and even death. Instead of healing users, these devices harm them. Those who design and build a medical device have a responsibility to create a safe product. When they fail, their devices fail, and people can suffer. But negligence doesn't have to go unanswered. Consumers may have a lawsuit — and recourse — against the designer, manufacturer, or distributor of a faulty medical device. Such a lawsuit may be based on one or more of the following criteria:

- A defect in the manufacturing of the product
 - A defect in the design of the device
 - Inadequate warning given to the consumer Unfortunately, many medical devices can have adverse side effects when defects are present or the proper warnings are not given. Examples include:
 - Hip replacement
 - Breast implants
 - Heart devices
 - Knee replacement
 - Surestep Blood Glucose Meter
 - CT Scan
 - Incontinence devices
 - Bronchoscopes
 - Dental Sealants
- Medical device injuries don't have to go unanswered. Contact Babbitt, Johnson, Osborne & LeClainche for a free consultation and case evaluation.

How do I know if I have a case? What kind of defects can create a valid medical device case?