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If you or someone you know has been the victim of a police invasion of the home without legal cause, you need to consult a lawyer immediately. If the lawyer, if a family, someone you know, or you or your family live usually in a high crime area and the police have executed a warrant on your home without any legitimate reason, meaning they went into the wrong house or the wrong apartment, you need to consult with a lawyer immediately. Because you don't automatically have a case. The police almost always have gone into that apartment or gone into that home with a warrant, and that warrant on its face gives them legal justification. Only with a thorough legal investigation can we potentially uncover a problem with that warrant, can we potentially show that the police obtained the warrant through gross negligence, through recklessness, through an intentional deceit upon the court.

And if we can show one of those things, we can remove or eliminate the probable cause in the warrant and show that the police entered the apartment not only improperly but illegally in violation of the people's constitutional rights. And if we can show that, all of the damages that resulted, all the fear, anxiety, post-traumatic stress disorder that comes with having been the victim of a police invasion in the middle of the night that is aggressive and violent, all of that is then compensable in a suit.