

Martin & Jones attorneys [Forest Horne](#) and [Hunt Willis](#) along with attorneys Don Evans and Seth Buskirk of the Wilmington law firm Clark, Newton & Evans, PA have filed a [lawsuit](#) against Bald Head Island for injuries suffered to their client Mary Springmeier in the December 17, 2013 ferry grounding. The lawsuit was filed March 1, 2016.

Ms. Springmeier suffered a traumatic brain injury and damage to her vision, as well as other injuries. She is a resident of Southport and was riding the ferry to Bald Head Island the morning the grounding occurred. The lawsuit alleges that Bald Head Island Transportation violated passenger safety rules in both the training and supervision of employees as well as the operation of its ferries.

Initially, Bald Head Island entities filed a lawsuit against the injured passenger victims in an effort to limit their responsibility. A federal judge issued an order allowing the injured ferry passengers to file claims for both compensatory and punitive damages.

Read the article in the Wilmington Star News.