

## Sex Trafficking

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Sex trafficking is an all-too-common criminal offense that can be punished by imprisonment, but a victim of sex trafficking can file a civil lawsuit to recover compensation for these injustices. The attorneys at Romanucci & Blandin have had significant experience with sex trafficking lawsuits. Our law firm also has expert experience in handling these cases delicately and compassionately to make sure your case gets the justice it deserves.

### What is sex trafficking?

Sex trafficking is a form of human trafficking defined as the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, obtaining, patronizing, or soliciting of a person for the purpose of commercial sex.

While there are many different signs that can vary from person to person, some common signs of sex trafficking are:

- Chronic runaway
- Hotel keys and key cards
- Branding or tattoos
- Unexplained injuries
- Claim of an older intimate partner
- Unable to make decisions without the approval of a partner

## Your sex trafficking claim

With headquarters in Chicago, the sex trafficking attorneys at Romanucci & Blandin know the damage caused by these situations can also include medical bills for treatment, therapy or counseling and more. The attorneys at Romanucci & Blandin know how to navigate these sensitive cases and bring justice to victims - even if the abuse took place years ago - and often settle these types of cases without going to trial.

At Romanucci & Blandin, we approach a sex trafficking claim as a way to provide monetary compensation and hold an individual or institution financially accountable and responsible for the economic, physical and emotional damages that have occurred.

Our law firm has a team of attorneys and staff who have years of experience with sex trafficking litigation. Our sex trafficking legal team includes partners who guide the process and share their deep knowledge of these types of lawsuits. Each client and each situation is different, and your claim is treated with great care and respect as the team investigates what happened and determines the best path to justice for you.

We know exactly what to do to litigate your sex trafficking case. We will obtain all necessary background information on the abusers such as traffickers or customers and, if appropriate, any institution that turned a blind eye such as hotels or other facilities that harbored victims. We find the records, interview witnesses, utilize experts and prepare thoroughly and meticulously for your case. Ultimately, our aim is to obtain the maximum compensation possible so that you can move on with your life.

At Romanucci & Blandin, our sex trafficking attorneys research the most up-to-date human trafficking laws and hire trained and experienced sex trafficking experts to work as expert witnesses and consultants on your cases. We will evaluate your injury, claim and research the relevant statute of limitations applicable to your case. We work to locate and utilize the best experts across the country who are experienced in all the relevant state laws.

## Delivering justice for sex trafficking victims through legislation

We are proud of our firm's results in sex trafficking cases, and the ways we have provided justice for our clients and for the community more broadly.

Our client, Yvonne Ambrose, had the heartbreaking experience of having her teenage daughter, Desiree Robinson, become a victim of sex trafficking and later murdered on Christmas Eve 2016. Yvonne dedicated herself not only to justice for Desiree but also to doing everything she could to prevent other young victims and their families from suffering. The attorneys at Romanucci & Blandin advocated for change with her, and along with others, testified before a United States Senate Committee examining sex trafficking and the role of the internet. Our team's fierce dedication was a contributing factor to the passage of the federal SESTA/FOSTA law, which reformed the solicitation of minors on the internet. Yvonne and our attorneys, Gina DeBoni and Bhavani Raveendran, were present in the White House when the bill was signed into law. Furthermore, the activity on this case also contributed to the shutdown of the website backpage.com, which was notorious for its solicitation of minors.

## Free consultation on your case with Chicago-based sex trafficking lawyers

The sex trafficking attorneys at Romanucci & Blandin have proven success in these types of cases. **If you or a loved one has suffered injury or wrongful death, please contact our office at [info@rblaw.net](mailto:info@rblaw.net), 312-458-1000 or [click here for a free evaluation of your case](#).** There is never a fee until you are compensated for your injuries at the end of the case.

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### In the News

Chicago man sentenced to 39 years for murder of sex-trafficked teen in Markham; 'you decided her life didn't matter,' mother says  
*Chicago Tribune*, April 13, 2022

Attorney Antonio Romanucci Speaks following Sex Trafficking Guilty Plea in case of Desiree Robinson. Attorney Antonio Romanucci  
*ABC 7 Chicago*, April 3, 2018

### Press Releases

Antonio Rosales pleads guilty to 2016 killing of sex trafficking victim, 16-year-old Desiree Robinson  
April 12, 2022

Romanucci & Blandin secures settlement for abuse victim of Jeffrey Epstein  
October 13, 2021

Backpage.com Named in Civil Case For Reportedly Facilitating and Profiting From Child Sex Trafficking  
May 17, 2017

### Blog Posts

You or a Loved One Has Experienced Sexual Abuse or Violence...Now What?  
*Romanucci & Blandin Blog*, June 3, 2022