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## 7 SONGS FOR YOUR SUMMER PLAYLIST

## Enjoy These Jams From Our BLF Team

Check out this 1997 throwback! Ashley (left), Cristina (middle), and their friend Magen (right) at a music festival to see Hanson!



If I had to pick one genre of music to listen to for the rest of my life, it would be country. I grew up singing along to Willie Nelson, Randy Travis, and George Strait on the old tape deck in my dad's truck. Then, I taught myself guitar. The first two songs I learned were "Simple Man" by Lynyrd Skynyrd and **"Folsom Prison Blues" by Johnny Cash.**

"Folsom Prison Blues" is still my favorite song. Everything about it — the words, the rhythm, the melody — is simple, yet it's a timeless piece of music that never gets old and will always be played. The story is so vivid that you can see it in your mind as you listen to the song. Who needs musical frills when you have that power?

World Music Day is coming up on June 21, and in honor of Johnny Cash, I asked my team to share their favorite music songs with you. Feel free to steal them for your summer playlist!

**'Wherever You Are (Donde Quiera Que Estés)' by Selena**

Rosie's favorite artist is the late Mexican superstar, Selena Quintanilla. "Her entire aura was mesmerizing. She was charismatic, humble, talented, and kind, and her laughter was contagious," she says, adding that she still remembers hearing about Selena's death in third grade. "As a Mexican American, role models were scarce for young girls like me at that time and that is why her death was such a huge blow."

**'La Carcacha' by Selena y Los Dinos**

Jacky also shouted out Selena and called "La Carcacha" "one of the best cumbias to exist." All of her favorite music is in Spanish. "When I was about 6 years old, I vividly remember the long trips to Mexico and my mom would take in her little red Chevy Cavalier. She had a glove box full of cassettes of different artists like Juan Gabriel, Miguel y Miguel, Alicia Villarreal, Ana Gabriel, and Joan Sebastian. All Mexican legends," she says.

**'Take Me Home, Country Roads' by John Denver**

Jacqueline grew up with a different soundtrack: Her parents' favorites like The Beatles, ABBA, Jimi Hendrix, Barbra Streisand, and Queen. When she started picking her own music, Kelly Clarkson and Fall Out Boy made the list. But her favorite song is John Denver's country anthem. "Every time I'm on a road trip, I have to listen to it," she says.

**'You've Got It (The Right Stuff)' by New Kids on the Block**

Jessica's love of concerts started with a childhood trip to see New Kids on the Block. She remembers wearing a band T-shirt and singing along! Since then, she's seen dozens more shows. "I grew up in a household that preferred playing music over watching TV. We tend to do the same at our house with our girls, who know how to have a good dance party!" she says.

**'Gangsta's Paradise' by Coolio**

"Gangsta's Paradise" is Ashley's go-to karaoke song, but she's also a self-proclaimed "Swiftie." "[Taylor Swift] is someone I can relate to as I navigate life, love, relationships, self-reflection, and life's passions," she says. "I have deep respect and admiration for her courage to re-invent herself while remaining true to who she is as a person."

**'MMMBop' by Hanson**

Cristina's first-ever concert was a local radio station bash, and for her, Hanson was the highlight. "Ashley and I stood in line for what felt like hours in a sea of people. We made concert signs of the Hanson symbol and wore Hanson T-shirts. I couldn't tell you a single other artist in the lineup that night because all that mattered was hearing 'MMMBop' in person," she says.

*-Russell Button*

# GARAGE DOOR TROUBLE?

*WE KNOW A GUY! MEET CAMERON CAMPBELL*

A few weeks ago, Russell's girlfriend was almost crushed by a malfunctioning garage door. It was a terrifying experience, especially because it happened in the middle of the night! Fortunately, she called the right repairman: Cameron Campbell, the founder of DoorCraft Garage Doors.

Cameron picked up the phone even though it was after dark. He walked Russell's girlfriend through the process of securing the door so she could sleep safely. Then, he showed up the next day to replace the faulty parts and get the door functioning again! Russell was impressed that Cameron was so friendly and no-nonsense.

"He didn't push any of the extra stuff on her that she didn't need," Russell recalls. "Every time I get an appliance repair person, I want to make sure they're exactly like Cameron."

After that, we couldn't resist calling up Cameron to share his story with you!

Cameron got into the garage door repair business way back in 2005. At the time, he worked for the largest repair company in the country running their San Diego office. Then, they asked him

to move to Dallas with his wife and daughters to train their staff. Unfortunately, he and the company didn't see eye-to-eye on how that training should go, so he struck out on his own, and started DoorCraft Garage Doors in 2019. As his own boss, Cameron felt he could finally do things the right way.

"I love talking to people," he says. "My whole thing is that I don't want to be a salesman. Ninety-five percent of the time when people call me, it's because something is actually broken and I don't have to 'sell' something because what's broken obviously [needs fixing]"

Cameron takes calls daily until 11 p.m. He'll consult with you on your garage door for free, then either fix it right then or the next day.

"I keep my truck so loaded with parts that I can usually fix almost anything on the spot," he says.

DoorCraft Garage Doors serves much of the Dallas-Fort Worth metro area. Visit **DoorCraftGarageDoors.com** or scan this QR code on this page to learn more.



## TEAMWORK WINS JUSTICE FOR AN ABUSED CHILD

Thank You, Co-Counsel Chris Finney!

Did you know that BLF gets brought in to handle daycare cases in other states? We represent families of children injured, abused, or neglected at daycares in other states, like Missouri. To do it, we often team up with a local law firm in the child's area — and that's exactly how we secured justice for a sweet little boy we'll call "Bennett."

Bennett attended daycare in Missouri. His parents assumed he would be in good hands there because Missouri law requires childcare centers to appoint trained, qualified directors to oversee their staff. Unfortunately, Bennett's daycare didn't comply with the law. He ended up under the thumb of an abusive employee we'll call "Dave."

Dave yelled and cursed at the kids, including Bennett. He also degraded them and isolated them from their friends. During naptime, he would become aggressive to force the kids to go to sleep. This abuse affected Bennett to the point that he needed therapy for his stress, anxiety, difficulty sleeping, lack of self-worth, and loss of trust in the adults in his life.

When we heard about Bennett's plight — and that Dave hadn't been fired — we partnered up with Missouri personal injury attorney Chris Finney of Finney Injury Law to seek justice. Chris is a fantastic lawyer who specializes in child/daycare injury, accident law, brain

injury, and premise liability cases. He's also a dad to five adorable kids, so he knows just how sensitive they are and how important it is that parents have access to safe, high-quality daycare centers.

Like us, Chris could see the sad truth: If Bennett's daycare had hired qualified and trained employees, supervised them, and acted on parent complaints, he would have been safe from Dave's psychological abuse. Bennett's family deserved justice.

Working side-by-side with Chris, we secured a settlement for Bennett and his family to help pay for his therapy and hold the daycare accountable for its mistakes. It was a big win for them and every child in daycare in Missouri.

Thank you, Chris, for your excellent work on this case. We're looking forward to helping many more families with you!



# BOATERS BEWARE!

## Distractions on the Water Can Be Deadly



You've heard thousands of times that it's a bad idea to text and drive — but has anyone ever warned you about texting while boating? If not, they should have!

Distracted boating can be just as deadly to Texans as distracted driving, especially during the busy summer months. As we write this, dozens of families are pulling their boats out of storage and heading to the same lakes, where they'll face multiple tempting distractions and put each other at risk.

Here are just a few of the things that could draw your attention away from the helm and cause a dangerous or even deadly collision:

- Electronic devices like cellphones, tablets, and even navigational equipment
- Other people on the boat talking, joking, and horsing around nearby
- Spotlights and other blinding or attention-grabbing lighting from other boats
- Tempting snacks and drinks nearby

Any of these things can take your eyes off the water! If you're drinking alcohol, you'll be even more likely to lose focus and collide with another boat, steer erratically, run your boat aground, or head into bad weather that could be dangerous to boat in.

Now, we're not saying you would do these things, but other people on the water might — and will. Every year, dozens of Texans get into boating accidents that can cause head injuries, lacerations, broken bones, muscle damage, and even death. Distracted boating is a leading cause of these collisions.

If you plan to spend time on the water this summer, remember these risks and avoid getting distracted at the helm or becoming a distraction to your captain. And if you or someone you love is in a boating accident this summer, refer to our firm for help. We'll look at witness statements, conditions on the water, and the way the boat was operating to determine whether distracted boating caused the crash, and hold the appropriate operator accountable.

Be sure that you or your loved one reaches out to us by emailing [intake@buttonlawfirm.com](mailto:intake@buttonlawfirm.com) or calling (214) 888-2216.

# BLF HIGHLIGHT REEL



Russell and Sammy at a friend's wedding.

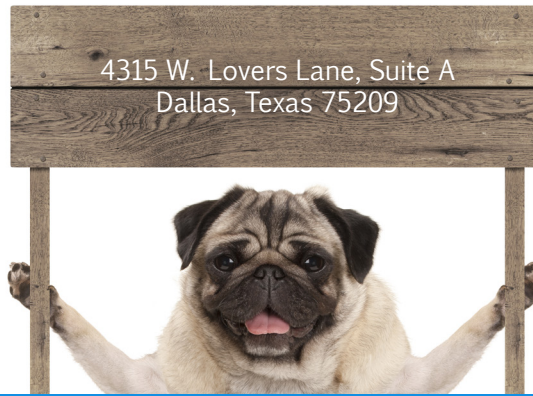
Ashley, Calvin, Elizabeth, and Kelly enjoying a Houston Astros baseball game with friends!

Jacqueline and Ben taking a tour of Fenway Park in Boston.

## CLIENT REVIEW

*"It was a pleasure speaking to Jacky. She was very helpful and supportive when speaking about my daughter's incident. Even if they couldn't move forward at this time until we obtain more information, I appreciate that they even took the time to review everything that was sent already. They also sent a care package that my daughter appreciated very much and is in love with the stuffed animal. I couldn't thank them enough for that; they've done more than any other firm that I have spoken to already. Thank you."*

*-Angie B.*



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# WELCOME TO THE TEAM, JESSICA!

## BLF Adds a New Lawyer

Jessica Davis knew from a young age that she wanted to be a lawyer, but it took her almost 20 years to decide exactly what *kind* of lawyer to be. She explored debt collection and was even in-house counsel for GEICO! Then, she tried personal injury. With every car crash, dog bite, and slip-and-fall case she handled, she felt she was getting closer to the right path. But she still hadn't found her perfect niche.

"After having done that for quite a while, I decided I wanted to find my forever home," Jessica says. "I spent a long time soul-searching and reflecting on the type of cases I wanted to work on and the type of firm I wanted to be involved in."



That soul-searching led her to us! Jessica's daughters — 8-year-old Hazel and 6-year-old Lily — have been in daycare since they were 9 months old. As a mom, Jessica really resonated with our work making daycares safer for kids.

"After meeting with Russell and the team, I felt I was ready for the biggest transition in my career," Jessica says.

We're so glad she was! Jessica has been hitting it out of the park since her first day on the job.

"Jessica brought Ashley and I a lot more legal firepower, and a lot more creativity and innovation. She has already jumped in and taken command of her role," Russell says.

For her part, Jessica says she's loving all of the education she's gotten from our team.

"It's great to always work toward becoming a better attorney," she says. "Even after practicing for, oh goodness, 18 years, it's never too late to learn something new."

When Jessica isn't hard at work or attending Hazel and Lily's dance performances with her IT engineer husband, Michael Flagler, she's an active member of the Lake Lewisville boat club.

"It enables us to take out boats all throughout the summer and spend a tremendous amount of time on the lake!" she says. If you're also a boater (or have friends with the hobby), turn to Page 3 for an important safety tip.