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New York Tort Reform Advocates Launch ‘Frivolous Lawsuit Generator’
“You are suing for emotional distress because your oversized novelty sunglasses did not make you more popular”

Albany, NY- Media reports of outlandish or ridiculous lawsuits have become increasingly common, spurring renewed calls for legal reform. To highlight the issue, the nonprofit Lawsuit Reform Alliance of New York (LRANY) has launched a new app which allows users to generate their own fictional frivolous lawsuits. Examples of the lawsuits created include:

“You are suing for \$10 trillion because you impaled your funny bone using a fire extinguisher to get ready for a date.”

“You are suing for \$220 billion for emotional distress because your oversized novelty sunglasses did not make you more popular.”

“You are joining a multi trillion dollar lawsuit because your piñata did not make you a better dancer.”

While the app is just for fun, the creators hope it highlights the serious issue of frivolous lawsuits and lawsuit abuse. “We felt that using humor to show people how silly lawsuits can be was a good approach to increase public awareness of frivolous lawsuits,” said Tom Stebbins, Executive Director of LRANY. “We hope this app will educate people on the problem, and more importantly, some of the solutions.”

The Lawsuit Reform Alliance of New York advocates for stricter rules on lawsuits in order to weed out frivolous cases, while maintaining balance for cases with merit. And the new app is just a reminder to people that these issues are real and affect us all. “Our hope is that people will try the app, see how funny it can be and get a good laugh while still realizing that we need to change our system to help us all move forward,” said Stebbins.

To visit the app and play along follow this link: <https://apps.facebook.com/frivolouslawsuit/>

For those without Facebook: <http://www.nylawsuitreform.org/app/frivolous/index.php>

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