

## LAWSUIT FILED AGAINST AMAZON AFTER FATAL I-75 PILEUP

*Wrongful Death Suit Alleges Delivery Demands and Oversight Failures Put Lives at Risk.*

**ATLANTA (April 14, 2026)** – Beasley Allen attorney Chris Glover has filed a wrongful death lawsuit against Amazon and several related companies following a catastrophic tractor trailer crash on Interstate 75 that killed a Tennessee man and triggered a multi vehicle pileup.

The lawsuit was filed on behalf of Heather Marie Huggins, individually and as wife and executor of the estate of David Jeffrey Huggins. Defendants include Amazon.com, Inc.; Amazon Logistics, Inc.; Amazon.com Services LLC; Valparaiso Trucking Corp.; and truck driver Joseph Antoinier. The case was filed in Broward County Circuit Court.

The crash occurred on May 11, 2025, in the northbound lanes of I 75 in East Ridge, Tennessee, when a tractor trailer hauling Amazon freight failed to slow for stopped traffic and crashed into several vehicles at highway speed. The impact sparked a chain reaction collision involving multiple vehicles and post impact fires. David Huggins, who was driving a Ford F 150, was pronounced dead at the scene.

The investigation found that the truck driver had been driving erratically prior to the crash and failed to brake despite clear daylight conditions, dry pavement, and an unobstructed roadway. The driver has since been criminally indicted on multiple counts, including vehicular homicide.

The case focuses not only on the driver's actions, but also on the delivery system that put the truck on the road. Amazon tightly controlled how its freight was moved—setting schedules, routes, and delivery expectations—while relying on trucking companies that were not equipped to operate safely under those demands.

Despite access to federal safety data, Amazon's logistics systems allowed motor carriers with known safety problems to continue hauling freight. One of those carriers was Valparaiso Trucking Corp., which had accumulated safety violations in the months leading up to the crash—warning signs that went unaddressed before turning deadly on a public highway.

“This lawsuit seeks accountability for decisions that placed dangerous vehicles on public roads,” said Chris Glover of Beasley Allen. “When companies control how freight is moved, who is driving, and how quickly deliveries must be made, they must also take responsibility when those decisions cost someone their life.”

The lawsuit seeks damages under Florida's Wrongful Death Act and raises claims of negligence, vicarious liability, and failures in hiring, supervision, and safety oversight across the logistics chain.

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