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Electrical Injuries - MISCELLANEOUS

Medical/Legal Pitfalls:

- Litigation over the injury is to be expected. It is extremely helpful if you document the presence and absence of electrical burns. Diagramming these injuries is always indicated. Photographing the injured and uninjured areas of the body is extremely helpful. It is always proper to have written consent for photographs.
- Generally in electrical injuries, there is a solvent defendant other than the medical practitioner. Thus, suits against practitioners in such cases are rare. Documenting the extent of the injuries is, however, extremely helpful should the practitioner end up being the only defendant.

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