

Federal Tort Claims Act -- Intentional Torts Exception

The Intentional Torts Exception

The Federal Tort Claims Act (FTCA) applies to claims arising from the negligence of a federal government employee. The FTCA specifically bars claims that arise from an "intentional tort" committed by a federal government employee. Under the FTCA, intentional torts include assault, battery, false imprisonment, false arrest, malicious prosecution, abuse of process, libel, slander, misrepresentation, deceit, and interference with contractual rights. If a person has been injured by any of the intentional torts listed above, he cannot file a personal injury action against the federal government under the FTCA.