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#1 BEST LAW FIRM

#1 BEST LAWYER : Derek Spada

#2 BEST REGIONAL PODCAST: Upstate & Litigate



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Basch & Keegan Triumphs in the Chronogrammmies!

We are thrilled to announce that Basch & Keegan has been honored with three prestigious awards in the 2024 Chronogrammmies, the esteemed readers' choice awards from Chronogram Magazine.

- 🏆 #1 Best Law Firm
- 🏆 #1 Best Lawyer - Derek J. Spada
- 🏆 #2 Best Regional Podcast - Upstate & Litigate

This achievement reflects the unwavering support and votes from our wonderful community. We are deeply grateful to everyone who took the time to vote for us and recognize our dedication to excellence in legal service and community engagement.

Thank you for believing in us and helping us reach this incredible milestone. We look forward to continuing to serve you with the highest standards of professionalism and care. Basch & Keegan, Here to Help.

Six Figure Arbitration Award after Motorcycle Wreck



A Basch & Keegan client was awarded \$423,000 for injuries sustained after a motorcycle crash. The crash happened in Ulster County, but our client originally went with a law firm outside of the county.

The first lawyer asked for only \$180,000 for the injuries and indicated that a lower settlement would be adequate. When our client hired Derek J. Spada, he knew that the prior attorney was seeking an amount that was too low. Derek fought for his client and was awarded substantially more than the amount sought by the previous lawyer.

Our client was traveling on an Ulster County road when the defendant attempted to make a left turn into her driveway. She did not see our client and turned directly in his path. He was transported by ambulance to a local hospital. He was treated with stitches to his leg, provided with an ace bandage, leg immobilizer and crutches and released the same day. He had a fracture and torn ligaments in his knee that ultimately required surgery and months of physical therapy.

The medical expert obtained by Derek was crucial to the arbitration award. Based on his examination and review of his medical records, the doctor concluded that as a direct result of the motorcycle crash our client sustained a permanent partial disability due to his knee injuries.

Arbitration in personal injury law is a method of resolving disputes outside the traditional court system. It involves the parties involved in the dispute agreeing to present their case to a neutral third party, known as an arbitrator. The arbitrator listens to the evidence and arguments from both sides and then makes a binding decision, called an arbitration award. This process is typically faster, more private and less costly than a court trial. Arbitration can be particularly beneficial in personal injury cases, as it can provide a quicker resolution while reducing the emotional and financial stress associated with prolonged litigation.

The arbitrator received a summary of the case from each attorney and reviewed our client's medical records. Our client testified at the hearing. Based on the evidence, the arbitrator awarded \$423,000 for our client's injuries. This award is approximately triple the amount that our client's original attorney was willing to accept as a settlement. Once the client switched to Basch & Keegan, Derek J. Spada helped him every step of the way to a successful conclusion.

John DeGasperis TikTok Video Highlighted on “Your Mom's House” Podcast

Partner John A. DeGasperis has had many videos go viral on his personal platform on TikTok. His most viral video to date is about jury duty, and has 11.6 million views. It was recently picked by married couple Tom Segura and Christine on their well known Podcast: Your Mom's House.



Together the comedic couple play and break down trending and viral videos from the internet while always maintaining a juvenile sense of humor. Guests include some of the biggest names in comedy, acting and music.

Tom and Christine shared John's TikTok video and said that he was "right" about the topic. Their guests, The Insane Clown Posse, discuss jury duty briefly during the episode. Watch the entire episode of Your Mom's House podcast featuring John's video at the QR code, his video can be viewed at time stamp 1:34.

The viral jury duty video helped John climb about 90,000 followers and climb to the current number of 127,000 followers on TikTok. You can follow John on TikTok under his handle: [jdegasperis_esq.](#)



Join Us at the Next Cruise In of 2024: July 12th!



Basch & Keegan, LLP is excited to be the Presenting Sponsor again for the 3rd Annual Woodstock Harley-Davidson "Cruise In". Bikes, Cars, Trikes and Antiques are all welcome to Cruise In on July 12th from 4pm -7pm. We'll be there once a month this summer!

Basch & Keegan will be supplying food, giving away merchandise and raffling off \$100 gift card to the dealership at each event: Woodstock Harley-Davidson, 949 State Route 28 Kingston, NY.

“Cruise In 2024” dates are July 12th, August 2nd, and September 6th.

Basch & Keegan Night at the Saugerties Stallions Game!

July 26th | 7pm
Free Hot Dogs!
Raffle for children's bicycle and scooter!

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Join us at Cantine Fields in Saugerties on Friday, July 26th for Basch & Keegan Night at the Saugerties Stallion's Game!

Basch & Keegan is a proud sponsor of the Saugerties Stallions, and on Friday, July 26th we will be providing fans with FREE HOT DOGS and raffling off a children's bicycle and scooter. Come root on the home team with us!

Cantine Fields in Saugerties. July 26th. Game starts at 7pm.



Final Event of the Legal Wheelhouse Series: Learn Your Cycling Rights and Rules of the Road!



Bring your bike to the YMCA repair clinic for minor repairs and take advantage of the opportunity to talk to a lawyer from Basch & Keegan, a personal injury law firm, about bike safety and legal rights. To encourage safety, we'll be giving away free bike bells, lights, and reflective vests to all attendees. Don't miss this last chance to boost your bike's performance and get critical safety information! Tuesday, July 16th from 3pm - 6pm at the YMCA of Kingston parking lot.



COMMUNITY NEWS & Local Events

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Basch & Keegan is Here to Help the Community.

Here is a List of Upcoming Sponsorships:

- **Cruise In 2024:** July 12th, Woodstock Harley-Davidson, 4pm - 7pm.
- **R.Y.A.N Drive Fore Recovery:** July 15th, Wiltwyck Golf Club, 8am.
- **YMCA Bike Clinic - Legal Wheelhouse:** Learn About Your Cycling Rights: July 16th, YMCA Parking Lot, 507 Broadway in Kingston, 3pm - 6pm
- **Basch & Keegan Night at the Saugerties Stallions Game:** July 26th, Cantine Fields, 7pm.

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As a law firm, we contribute to many local charities and sponsor community events. We love to get involved in what's going on in Kingston, and we love to get out and see our neighbors at local events. If you have an event coming up and are seeking sponsorships, tell us about it by scanning the QR code and filling out the form on our website!