



BKS at Winterfest 2025: Supporting Family of Woodstock



Basch Keegan & Spada is excited to once again participate in Ole Savannah’s WinterFest!

Attorneys Maureen Keegan and Derek Spada will be stepping behind the bar at the Snowflake Bar on Sunday, February 16, at 11 AM, mixing up drinks for a great cause. All tips they receive will be donated to Family of Woodstock, Inc.

For over 50 years, Family of Woodstock has been a crucial resource for individuals and families in crisis throughout Ulster County. Their services include:

- *Emergency housing and support for the homeless
- *Hotlines for domestic violence, suicide prevention, and crisis intervention
- *Food pantries and meal programs
- *Youth services, family counseling, and more

Join us at WinterFest to enjoy a great time for a great cause. Grab a drink, tip generously, and help make a difference in our community!

For more information about Family of Woodstock, visit: familyofwoodstockinc.org.



There is still time to Nominate BKS!

 Nomination Period: January 1 – February 15

☀️ Nominate us for:

Best Law Firm: Basch Keegan & Spada, LLP

Best Lawyer: Eli Basch, Maureen Keegan & Derek Spada

Best Podcast: Upstate & Litigate

The more nominations we receive, the better our chances of advancing to the voting round. Let’s keep the streak alive - thank you for your continued support—we couldn’t do this without you!



Join Basch Keegan & Spada at the Shamrock Run!



For over 25 years, Basch Keegan & Spada has proudly sponsored the Shamrock Run, one of Kingston's most beloved traditions. This year, we're excited to continue our support as the Race Start Giveaway Sponsor for the fourth consecutive year!

On Sunday, March 16th, we'll be set up near Academy Green in Kingston next to race day shirt registration and ready to go at 11:00 AM—so be sure to stop by our tent before the race kicks off at 12:50 sharp! Pick up your exclusive Shamrock Run bandana, a fun and functional keepsake to commemorate the event.

We love being part of this incredible community tradition that brings together runners, families, and supporters for a great cause. Lace up, wear your green, and join us in kicking off the run in true Shamrock spirit!

Upstate & Litigate Episode 5 – Understanding Pain & Suffering

How do you put a price on pain? In Season 2, Episode 5 of Upstate & Litigate, attorneys Derek Spada, Maureen Keegan, and Eli Basch break down one of the most challenging aspects of personal injury law: explaining and quantifying pain and suffering.



Unlike medical bills or lost wages, there's no calculator for non-economic damages. As Derek Spada points out, every client's experience is unique, and it's our job as attorneys to help jurors and insurance companies understand the full impact of an injury. Maureen Keegan highlights the difficulty jurors face in grasping the concept of pain and suffering in a short trial, while Eli Basch emphasizes the irony of the term "jury award"—it's not a prize, but an attempt to make a person whole again.

At Basch Keegan & Spada, we bring strong fact witnesses and compelling evidence to ensure our clients receive the compensation they deserve. It's both our obligation and our privilege to fight for them.

New episodes of Upstate & Litigate are released the last Tuesday of every month.



Derek J. Spada Guest on WGHQ with Don Williams



Derek J. Spada recently had the pleasure of being a guest on Kingston Community Radio, WGHQ, with host Hon. Don Williams, former Ulster County Court Judge. Their conversation covered a wide range of topics, offering insights and engaging discussion on issues that matter to our community.

Judge Williams, a Kingston native, dedicated over 40 years to Ulster County's criminal justice system. After earning his law degree from Albany Law School in 1979, he served in the Ulster County District Attorney's office, later becoming District Attorney before being elected as County Court Judge in 2009. Throughout his career, he was known for his tough yet fair approach to justice and his commitment to rehabilitation and reform. We're always grateful for the opportunity to connect with our neighbors and share knowledge that empowers and informs.

🎧 Watch the full episode at the QR code , starting at timestamp 1:15:48.



Here is a list of upcoming sponsored events

- **Ole Savannah Winterfest Guest Bartender for a Cause:** February 16th, 11am at the Snowflake Bar. Maureen Keegan & Derek Spada bartending for Family of Woodstock.
- **D.R.A.W. Kingston Jell-O Jamboree:** February 22nd, 5pm -8pm at the Fuller Building.
- **37th Annual Shamrock Run:** March 16th at 12:50pm. Visit the Basch Keegan & Spada tent for a FREE commemorative bandana!



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!