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The Top 3 Personal Injury Questions People Ask AI

Artificial intelligence is rapidly changing how people search for legal information. Instead of turning to Google, more people are asking ChatGPT, Gemini, and other AI platforms questions about crashes, injuries, and their legal rights.

At New York Injury Law, we're looking at three important personal injury questions people bring to AI, and what New Yorkers should know about the answers.

1. How Much Is My Car Crash Injury Case Worth?

There's no standard settlement amount for a car crash. Compensation depends on injury severity, medical expenses, lost wages, liability, and insurance coverage. New York's serious injury threshold may also determine whether you can recover damages for pain and suffering.

2. What's the Average Personal Injury Settlement?

Settlement amounts vary considerably based on injuries, financial losses, and individual circumstances. Attorney fees, litigation expenses, and medical liens may also affect how much compensation a client ultimately receives.

3. Do I Have a Medical Malpractice Case?

An unexpected medical outcome doesn't automatically mean malpractice occurred. In New York, a successful claim generally requires evidence that a healthcare provider departed from accepted medical standards and that the departure caused injury. Medical records and expert opinions are often essential.

AI Can Inform You. An Attorney Can Evaluate Your Case.

AI is a useful starting point, but it cannot replace an experienced attorney's evaluation of your individual circumstances.

In our latest blog, attorneys John DeGasperis and Keith Clarke explain these questions, what AI can tell you, and what it might miss.

New York Injury Law Celebrates Community at Ulster County Italian Festival

COMMUNITY NEWS



New York Injury Law was proud to be part of the Ulster County Italian Festival, held Sunday, October 11, along Kingston's historic waterfront.

Despite the rainy weather, the festival brought together community members to celebrate Italian heritage, enjoy delicious food, live entertainment, and the spirit of this popular annual tradition.

Representing New York Injury Law, members of our staff including Sarah Rudnitsky, JoAnn Uhl, Lori Puetx and Tim Kelly were on hand to greet festivalgoers, answer questions, and share information about how the firm helps individuals and families when injuries occur.

Visitors to the NYIL tent also picked up fun and useful giveaways, including sunglasses, pens, bag clips, and more.

For New York Injury Law, participating in local events is about more than promoting legal services. It's about connecting with neighbors, supporting community traditions, and being accessible when people need guidance.

Thank you to everyone who stopped by to say hello!



New Study Raises Concerns About Streaming Music and Distracted Driving

Most drivers know texting behind the wheel is dangerous. But what about searching for a song on a streamimg music app?

A new study published in JAMA Network Open found that U.S. traffic fatalities were about 15% higher on the release days of major music albums, when streaming activity also surged. The study does not prove that streaming caused those crashes, but it highlights a broader concern: distracted driving goes well beyond texting.

Smartphones, dashboard screens, music apps, and notifications can all pull a driver's attention from the road. Even a few seconds of distraction may be enough to miss stopped traffic, a cyclist, pedestrian, or motorcycle.

For people injured in New York crashes, evidence of distraction can be important in determining what happened and who was responsible. Phone records, vehicle data, witness statements, video footage, and crash reconstruction may help establish whether a driver was distracted.

Read the full blog to learn more about the study and its implications for drivers and injury victims.

WINNING SMILES





John Weighs In: A Roller Coaster Fatality, the Clancy Trial, and the Cornell Controversy

Three headline-making stories. One New York attorney who isn't afraid to weigh in.

When major news stories spark controversy, everyone has an opinion. But what does the law actually say?

In John Weighs In, New York Injury Law attorney John DeGasperis examines high-profile cases and the legal questions behind the headlines.

Six Flags Tragedy: Who Could Be Held Responsible?

After a man died following a fall from a roller coaster at Six Flags Over Georgia, questions arose about amusement park safety and liability.

John explains who might face legal action, from park operators to ride manufacturers, and what claims the victim's family could potentially pursue.

Lindsay Clancy Mistrial: Did the Jury Get It Wrong?

The trial of Lindsay Clancy, accused in the deaths of her three children, ended in a mistrial when jurors couldn't reach a unanimous verdict.

Amid public criticism of the jury, John explains why jurors' decisions deserve careful consideration, particularly when they have heard evidence the public may not fully understand.

Cornell Controversy: Should Letitia James Step Aside?

Public statements by New York Attorney General Letitia James have raised questions about impartiality in the Cornell University sexual assault investigation.

John examines whether those statements could prejudice the case and whether recusal is warranted.

Beyond the Headlines

Scan the QR Code above to visit the New York Injury Law blog and watch these videos for John's informed take on these controversial cases.

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