



Suffolk County DWI Attorney Jason Bassett Explains the Main Differences Between DWAI, DWI, and DUI

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Suffolk County DWI attorney releases a new article (<https://jbassettlaw.com/practice-items/dwi-and-dui-defense/>) explaining the differences between a DWAI, DWI, and a DUI. The lawyer mentions that it is important that someone charged with DWI should immediately seek out the assistance of a skilled DUI attorney. A skilled lawyer can help the defendant understand his rights and possibly get a better outcome.

According to the Suffolk County DWI attorney, "In New York, there are different charges and levels of driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, with penalties and fines varying with the level of the charge and conviction. While even a first offense for driving while intoxicated can involve serious consequences, charges and penalties can increase exponentially with increased blood alcohol concentration levels and for repeat offenders."

The lawyer explains that according to New York law, there are two types of drunk driving. The DWI, Driving

While Intoxicated, is one of the two types of drunk driving offenses in New York. The other type is DWAI or Driving While Ability Impaired. Although the term DUI is often used, it is not legal in New York.

Attorney Jason Bassett adds that the New York DWI statutes can be broken down into five offenses based on the driver's impairment and the substance consumed. These offenses are DWI (driving while intoxicated), aggravated DWI, DWAI (driving while ability impaired), DWAI/drugs, or DWAI/combination.

Attorney Bassett states that being charged and being convicted are not the same thing. A DWI conviction can lead to jail time, and the consequences of that charge could be severe.

If the arrest is a first-time offense, your lawyer can figure out if you qualify to participate in the New York Impaired Driver Program. The Impaired Driver Program is a multimedia educational program that raises awareness among those charged with driving while intoxicated. Participants in the program are granted a conditional driver's license, and if the program is completed, your driver's license may become fully restored. The lawyer says in the article.

Lastly, attorney Jason Bassett stresses the importance of hiring an experienced DUI lawyer to defend you against drunk driving charges. An experienced DUI lawyer can help the accused get a better outcome and avoid the negative consequences of a DWI conviction.

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Jason Bassett, Esq. has dedicated his practice to defending the rights of those who are accused of criminal offenses. He puts his unique perspective as a former prosecutor to work and provides the best legal assistance he can give to his clients. Mr. Bassett brings a unique combination of skill, experience, and zealous advocacy to provide his clients with the best possible outcomes. Contact him today to schedule a consultation.

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