



Hackensack Drug Crimes Attorney Adam M. Lustberg Explains Intent and Distribution Laws in New Jersey

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Hackensack drug crimes attorney Adam M. Lustberg (<https://www.lustberglaw.com/blog/possession-of-controlled-substances-v-intent-distribution-in-new-jersey-law/>) releases a new article explaining the intent and distribution laws surrounding controlled substances in New Jersey. The lawyer mentions that possession of a controlled dangerous substance, or CDS, is a chargeable offense with serious consequences. If a person is caught with drugs, with the exception of smaller amounts of marijuana, they may face severe fines and significant time in prison.

According to the Hackensack drug crimes attorney, "Controlled substances in New Jersey include, commonly, LSD, heroin, molly, cocaine, ecstasy, PCP, methamphetamines, and the majority of prescription drugs if possessed without a legal prescription. It is important to note that there is a significant difference between possession of these illegal substances and possession with the intent to distribute, which comes with far harsher penalties. The scariest part of all is how much easier it is to be charged with intent to distribute than you may realize."

The lawyer explains that even if someone is just planning to share the substance with friends down the line, they can still face charges of intent to distribute under 2C:35-5 of the New Jersey Criminal Code. It does not matter whether the person planned to sell the drug or not. Simply handing off the drugs to another party can be considered distribution.

Attorney Adam M. Lustberg adds that if the cocaine is recovered in one bag, a person may face charges of possession, and law enforcement will assume that the drug is for personal use. However, if the cocaine is found in several bags, the police may assume that the drug is for distribution among several people. The charges can then change from possession to possession with intent to distribute.

According to the defense lawyer, "There are a number of other factors that determine the gradation of a charge, which is why if you are charged with either possession or possession with intent to distribute, you need to contact a criminal defense attorney as soon as possible. The circumstances of each case are different and only someone well-versed in the law can give you all the information you need regarding charges, sentencing, possible plea deals, as well as other strategies to avoid prison time."

Lastly, attorney Adam emphasizes the importance of having a skilled lawyer when facing drug charges. Having an experienced criminal defense lawyer may be able to help the client understand their rights and protect their freedom.

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