

Brannon and Brannon Attorneys Secure \$850,000 Win for Personal Injury Client in Fort Walton Beach Drunk Driving Case

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Brannon and Brannon, Car Accident & Personal Injury Lawyers, a personal injury law firm serving the Fort Walton Beach area, has successfully resolved a significant drunk driving injury case for \$850,000, marking a notable victory in the firm's ongoing advocacy against impaired driving.

The case, which concluded in late 2024, involved a client who sustained serious injuries in a collision caused by an impaired driver. The settlement included a substantial personal financial contribution from the defendant beyond insurance coverage, emphasizing personal accountability for the decision to drive while intoxicated.

"This case represents more than just a financial recovery for our client," said Dennis Brannon, an attorney with Brannon and Brannon. "The resolution sends a clear message about the serious consequences of impaired driving and reflects our firm's deep commitment to road safety and supporting victims of drunk driving crashes."

The Fort Walton Beach attorneys pursued the case aggressively through months of litigation, conducting extensive discovery that included multiple depositions and the testimony of the arresting Florida Highway Patrol officer. The firm also retained a forensic toxicologist to analyze the driver's level of impairment at the time of the collision.

Based on the evidence gathered, the court permitted the case to proceed with a claim for punitive damages, which are specifically designed to hold impaired drivers accountable for their conscious decision to operate a vehicle while intoxicated and to deter similar conduct in the future.

The client's injuries were severe enough to place both her livelihood and long-term career prospects at risk, making the substantial settlement particularly crucial for her future financial security and medical care needs.

The firm's commitment to this case was strengthened by its long-standing support of organizations dedicated to preventing drunk driving, including Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD). The firm has previously advocated alongside MADD for local ordinance changes to limit alcohol sales hours as a public safety measure.

"Having represented families who have lost loved ones to drunk driving crashes, we understand the devastating impact these preventable incidents have on our community," Dennis added. "We pursued this matter with the determination that comes from witnessing firsthand the tragic consequences of impaired driving."

The settlement was reached on the eve of trial after months of intensive litigation preparation. The inclusion of personal funds from the defendant, beyond what insurance would cover, was a particularly important aspect of the resolution for the firm and its client.

While the firm has secured larger settlements in other cases, this particular resolution carries special significance due to its potential broader impact on community safety and drunk driving prevention efforts.

Brannon and Brannon Car Accident & Personal Injury Lawyers is a personal injury law firm that represents clients throughout Northwest Florida in cases involving motor vehicle accidents, drunk driving crashes, and other personal injury matters. The firm maintains a strong commitment to community safety initiatives and has provided ongoing support to organizations working to prevent impaired driving and assist victims of drunk driving incidents.

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