



Hudson Valley's Most Dangerous Roads: Where Car Collisions Happen the Most



Car collisions happen every day, but some roads in the Hudson Valley are more dangerous than others. Whether due to high-speed limits, heavy traffic, or poor road conditions, certain highways and intersections see more crashes than others. If you regularly travel these roads, extra caution can help keep you safe.

Top Dangerous Roads in the Hudson Valley

- Interstate 87 (NYS Thruway) – This major highway sees heavy traffic, frequent speeding, and winter-weather hazards, leading to serious collisions.
- Route 9W – A winding and hilly road with blind curves, Route 9W has seen numerous head-on collisions and rollover accidents.
- Route 9 (Poughkeepsie to Fishkill) – With multiple traffic lights and high-speed stretches, this road is notorious for rear-end accidents and pedestrian crashes.
- Route 17 – A major commuter route with heavy truck traffic, Route 17 is prone to congestion-related crashes and severe weather-related accidents.
- Washington Avenue Intersection in Kingston – A known accident hotspot due to confusing traffic patterns and frequent pedestrian crossings.

What to Do After a Car Crash

- Seek Medical Attention – Even if you feel fine, injuries like whiplash or internal trauma can appear later.
- Call the Police – A police report provides essential documentation for insurance claims and legal cases.
- Gather Evidence – Take photos, get witness contact information, and note any road conditions that contributed to the accident.
- Consult an Attorney – If you were injured due to another driver's negligence, a personal injury lawyer can help you seek compensation for medical bills, lost wages, and pain and suffering.

At **Basch Keegan Spada**, we have decades of experience helping Hudson Valley residents recover after serious car accidents. If you've been injured, contact us for a free consultation.

Derek Spada Wins \$500K for NYS Trooper Attacked by Vicious Dog



At Basch Keegan & Spada, we fight tirelessly for injury victims. Our recent \$500,000 settlement in a dog bite case is a testament to our commitment to justice.

Our client, a New York State Trooper, was engaged in an investigation. While trying to conduct interviews at a house, she was attacked by a German Shepherd.

She suffered a severe bite wound to her leg, and endured physical pain and emotional trauma due to the negligence of the dog's owner. It was discovered that the dog had a history of aggression, having bitten multiple people in the past, yet its owner failed to take the necessary precautions to prevent another attack.

Attorney Derek J. Spada took swift action, holding the negligent party accountable for allowing a dangerous animal to harm another victim. Thanks to his experience and dedication, our client received a \$500,000 settlement, which was the homeowner's full insurance policy limit.

Dog owners have a responsibility to prevent attacks, especially when a dog is known to be vicious. If you or someone you love has been injured by a dog bite, contact Basch Keegan & Spada for a free consultation. We are here to fight for you and ensure negligent animal owners are held responsible.

Vote for BKS in the 2025 Chronogram Readers' Choice Awards

The Chronogram Readers' Choice Awards are officially open, and we need your support! Voting runs from now until May 15th, and every vote helps recognize the hard work we put into serving our clients and community. You can vote once, everyday.

Basch Keegan & Spada has been nominated for Best Law Firm, while attorneys Eli Basch and Derek Spada are both nominated for Best Lawyer. Our podcast, Upstate & Litigate, is also in the running for Best Regional Podcast.



Last year, Derek Spada was voted Best Lawyer, and our firm has won Best Law Firm three times in past years. In 2024, Upstate & Litigate ranked #2 Best Podcast—this year, we're aiming for the top spot!

To cast your vote: Scan the QR Code

Best Law Firm and Best Lawyer can be found under Services & Finance

Best Regional Podcast can be found under Arts & Entertainment



We are grateful for your continued trust and support. Help us keep the streak going—vote today, and everyday until May 15th.

New Upstate & Litigate Episode

Depositions: The Key to Every Case

Depositions are a key part of every personal injury case, helping attorneys gather crucial testimony before trial. In this episode, Eli Basch, Maureen Keegan, and Derek Spada explain how both plaintiffs and defendants use depositions to shape case outcomes.

They also discuss the shift to virtual depositions after COVID-19, the challenges and benefits of remote testimony, and how strong depositions can lead to settlements. Don't miss this behind-the-scenes look at a critical part of the legal process!

 Listen now to gain valuable insights from our experienced attorneys.

 Tune in on YouTube, Spotify, Apple Podcasts, Facebook, and Instagram. Have questions about a recreational injury? Contact Basch Keegan & Spada today for a free consultation. New episodes of Upstate & Litigate are released the last Tuesday of every month.



Snapshots from Shamrock Run 2025!

The 37th Annual Shamrock Run was a huge success, and we loved celebrating this Kingston tradition with all of you! From the sea of gold BKS bandanas to the high-energy start at Academy Green, it was a day filled with community spirit and fun.

Check out our event snapshots to relive the excitement! Were you spotted in your bandana? Head to our social media to see all the photos.



Here is a list of upcoming sponsored events

- **Boys & Girls Club of Kingston 48th Annual Dinner Auction:** April 3rd.
- **28th Annual YMCA Kids Classic:** April 12th, 8am - 11am at Dietz Stadium
- **Ulster Police PBA Bowlathon:** April 12th, 12pm at Patel's Kingston Lanes.
- **41st Annual Kiwanis Kingston Classic:** April 27th, 10am at the Kingston Rondout.



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!