

New York Civil Rights Violation Lawyer Outraged after Bronx Student Spends 40 Hours in Jail for a Crime His Friend Confessed To Committing

A student at Borough of Manhattan Community College remained locked up even after the guilty person showed up to confess, a lawsuit charges.

NEW YORK, NEW YORK — [New York civil rights violation lawyer](#) David Perecman wants answers on why a 19-year old Bronx student was imprisoned for 40 hours for a crime his friend had confessed to doing. The [false arrest](#) by the NYPD occurred shortly after the student's friend threw a rock at a car and broke the windshield, reported the *New York Daily News*.

Now the student is suing the NYPD and New York City for [false arrest](#) and other civil rights violations. Bryan Dale, 19, says he had to endure monthly court dates for nearly two years, trying to clear his name, while his friend was never prosecuted despite his confession.

"The NYPD have a responsibility for investigating and gathering evidence before deciding who to arrest in New York," [civil rights violation lawyer](#) Perecman said. "A false arrest can damage a reputation and cost time and money."

Dale says he was out with friends one night in July of 2009. They were on Riverdale Avenue in the Bronx when one of his friends threw a rock at a car windshield and shattered it. The teens went their separate ways, but police eventually picked up Dale. About 30 minutes later, the boy who broke the windshield came into the precinct with his mother and wrote and signed a confession, admitting he broke the window because the car's owner was going out with his sister.

Despite the admission, that teenager was released and police allegedly continued to pressure Dale to take a plea deal, which he refused. Instead he was officially charged with criminal mischief. Dale says he had to go to monthly court dates for nearly two years following the [wrongful arrest](#) before a judge acquitted him.

Dale is [suing for the false arrest](#) and other civil rights violations. He is seeking \$1 million for being wrongfully arrested. Probable false arrest can be the basis of a lawsuit for damages in New York, [civil rights violations lawyer](#) Perecman said, including mental distress and embarrassment. If the New York civil rights violation lawyer can show that the officer was malicious, the victim of the false arrest or other civil rights violation by police may be entitled to more money or what is referred to as "punitive" damages.

Reasons behind [false arrest](#) can include personal gain, racism, simple incompetence or pure malice.

A [victim of a false arrest in New York](#) should seek [expert legal advice](#) from a New York civil rights violation lawyer as soon as possible.

About David Perecman and The Perecman Firm, PLLC:

For the past 30 years, the New York false arrest, excessive force by police, police negligence, and civil rights violation attorneys at The Perecman Firm, PLLC have championed all types of cases including civil rights violations. David Perecman, founded his Firm in 1983 after winning a \$600,000.00*** verdict in an unlawful detention case. He is a Board Director and the past Secretary and Treasurer of the New York State Trial Lawyers Association (NYSTLA) and a chair of its Labor Law Committee. Mr. Perecman's achievements have brought him recognition as an Honoree in the National Law Journal's Hall of Fame, in New York Magazine's "The Best Lawyers in America" and The New York Times Magazine "New York Super Lawyers, Metro Edition" for the years 2007-2010.

The Firm has recovered millions of dollars for its clients. Among the more recent victories, Mr. Perecman won a \$15 million verdict* for a construction accident, a \$5.35 million dollar verdict** for an automobile accident, and a \$40 million dollar structured settlement for medical malpractice****.

*later settled while on appeal for \$7.940 million

** later settled for \$3.5 million

*** later settled for \$90,000.00

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