New York Personal Injury Lawyer Supports New Rules for Pedicabs

New York City Council announced New York City will finally impose regulation on the pedicab industry.

NEW YORK, NEW YORK – <u>New York personal injury lawyer</u> David Percman commends the New York City Council for approving legislation that would cap the number of pedicabs operating in the city at the current number of 850.

The legislation also makes it easier for the city to suspend licenses after drivers receive multiple violations. These violations include broken seat belts, tail lights, brakes and other factors that can contribute to <u>personal injury accidents</u>. The Department of Consumer Affairs would have the power to revoke a pedicab driver's license if he or she operates the vehicle twice in one year without a valid driver's license or with a suspended license.

The council also approved legislation to force the human-powered taxis to adhere to the same city parking regulation as cars. Pedicabs would no longer be able to park in no standing or no parking zones, or near a fire hydrant or in a crosswalk

"Like other vehicle operators on our city streets, pedicab operators should follow parking and traffic laws, and be held accountable for accidents they cause in New York, <u>personal injury accidents</u> included," said lawyer Perecman.

Percman, a <u>New York personal injury lawyer</u> for over 30 years, urges Mayor Bloomberg to sign the bill.

"With more regulation for pedicabs, New York City will be safer for tourists and native New Yorkers," <u>personal injury lawyer</u> Percman said. "If these new rules can save a life or prevent any personal injury accidents from occurring, the new rules are absolutely worth it."

There have been no reported deaths involving pedicabs in New York, but they have been involved in numerous accidents.

About David Perecman and The Perecman Firm, PLLC:

For the past 30 years, the personal injury accident, auto accident, construction accident, and medical malpractice lawyers at The Perecman Firm, PLLC have championed all types of cases concerning personal injury. David Perecman, founder of the Firm, 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.

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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

^{***} total potential payout

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