

# Can Justice Be Had?

A Legal Symposium Exploring the Prosecution of Vehicular Homicide

The past months have provided many examples of tragic traffic fatalities involving pedestrians, cyclists and other "vulnerable parties." Too often these "accidents" have been the result of careless or even negligent driving. The responsible drivers are rarely prosecuted due to multiple factors, including the structure of the governing laws. What roadblocks exist in pursuing prosecution and conviction and what are some strategies for improving the system to find justice for victims' families and improved measures of deterrence?

We invite you to attend a symposium addressing the prosecution of vehicular homicide in New York State. We are bringing together diverse views to examine the existing legal framework and discuss improvements and alternatives, analyzing both innovative or untried techniques and those in use in other states.

## Schedule/Event Logistics:

Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law  
55 Fifth Avenue (at 12<sup>th</sup> Street)  
Moot Court Room  
October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2009

9 AM: Session I – Criminally Negligent Homicide in New York  
10 – 10:15 – Break  
10:15 – 12: Session II –     A: Lessons from other States  
                                      B: Comparison and Application

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## Participants:

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## CLE Credits:

This course or program has been approved in accordance with the requirements of the New York State Continuing Legal Education Board for a maximum of 3 credit hours, of which 3 credit hours can be applied toward the skills requirement. This course is appropriate for both newly admitted and experienced attorneys.



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