## JURY AWARDS VICTIM OF BASEBALL BAT ATTACK OUTSIDE A BROOKLYN BAR \$340,000 FOR INJURIES SUSTAINED.

Mr. Tormey represented a young, 30-year-old man, named G.D. G.D had been inside the Celebrity Lounge in Brooklyn. Also in the bar were a group of young men who appeared to be underage and highly intoxicated.

Mr. Tormey's client became engaged in a very minor, verbal exchange with one of the young men, but the incident passed without any escalation.

Later that night, as Mr. Tormey's client was leaving the bar, the young man who got into the verbal exchange with G.D., was waiting outside the bar with a baseball bat. Suddenly and without any warning, the young man attacked G.D., swinging the bat at Mr. Tormey's client. Instinctively, G.D. raised his arm to protect his head from the impending blow. The other young man hit G.D. on the elbow with the bat. G.D. suffered a fractured elbow requiring surgery to repair.

Mr. Tormey went to trial against the bar, the bar owner, and the young man who hit G.D. with the bat. Mr. Tormey claimed the bar was responsible for the incident as the bartender served underage patrons beyond the point of intoxication. After Mr. Tormey cross-examined the bar owner and the assailant, the jury awarded G.D. \$340,000 for the pain and suffering he had to endure as a result of this incident.

Later, Mr. Tormey learned that the young assailant was awaiting his own award from a personal injury lawsuit. Mr. Tormey was able to seize the assailant's award before it was spent and both the bar and the assailant ended up paying substantial sums of money to satisfy the judgment the jury awarded to G.D.