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How To Reduce Or Avoid A DUI Sentence

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If you are pulled over driving under the influence of drugs, alcohol or any intoxication that can impair your concentration, it will become a DWI case. DWI is a criminal offense in the state of New York, and it's important to work with an attorney who is qualified to defend you against any DWI charges you are facing.



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If you are charged with DUI in New York, there are still several ways your DWI attorney in NY can reduce or avoid a DUI sentence for you. Here are some of the most common:



Dismissal...

- The prosecutor can agree to dismiss your case voluntarily.
- This usually happens because he or she does not believe sufficient evidence exists to win at trial.
- If the attorney is able to get all the evidence suppressed, there's nothing for the prosecutor to go forward on, and all of a sudden the case goes away.



Dismissal

- If the prosecutor thinks there is sufficient evidence, the case can still be dismissed short of trial by a motion to dismiss, filed by your attorney.
- The motion can be based on insufficient evidence, violation of your constitutional rights or several other legal grounds.



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Plea-Bargain

- In this situation, your attorney and the prosecutor come to an agreement on you entering a guilty plea to a lesser charge in exchange for the dismissal of the case.
- The stronger your defense, the better chance you have at getting an acceptable plea-bargain.



Alternative Disposition Systems

- Many states have special programs for first-time DUI offenders that allow for a quicker disposition of the case, lower fines, shorter or no license revocations, and no criminal conviction of DUI.
- The prosecutor must agree to place your case in this alternative disposition system.



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Experienced New York DWI Lawyer

- New York DWI Lawyer Paul D. Petrus, Jr. can help you receive a better plea bargain, or get your case dismissed entirely.
- Our dedicated and experienced NY DWI attorneys understand the inner workings of the justice system, and we will use our knowledge and our expertise to defend your rights in your criminal prosecution.



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