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## An Ending or A New Beginning?

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This month, my eldest daughter, Grace, is graduating from Eighth Grade. Every parent understands the mix of emotions that come with the realization that their child is moving on to High School.

As I reflect on another school year passing, I ponder whether this marks an end or a fresh start. I believe that graduations signify both a closure and a fresh start.

Similarly, our clients often find themselves at a crossroads in life. They may have experienced an event that altered their path, forcing them to decide whether to see their new chapter as an end or a beginning, or maybe a bit of both. If you're grappling with this decision, we are here to assist you.

As our clients navigate through the crossroads in their lives, we understand the weight of decisions that come with seeing a chapter close or a new one begin. Just like a graduation, it's not always about choosing between an end or a beginning; it can be about embracing both as part of the journey. Our team is here to guide and support you through this transition, helping you see the potential in every change and find the opportunity for growth and renewal. Remember, it's okay to feel a mix of emotions as you move forward. You're on the path to new possibilities, and we'll be by your side every step of the way.

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## WHAT IS HAPPENING AT CU&W?

The Uliano/ Giblin Family celebrated spring break at Legoland in Goshen, NY.



## Charles J. Uliano receives "Attorney Excellence Award" from Monmouth County Bar

On April 18th, Charles J. Uliano, Esq. was the recipient of the 2024 Attorney Excellence Award for his Service to the Monmouth Bar Association. Mr. Uliano earned this award as the result of his continuous support for the MBA and its' members. It was noted, he has exhibited unparalleled leadership not only within his areas of legal expertise, but for all members of the Monmouth Bar Association.

In addition to the immeasurable hours he has committed to the benefit of the Association and its' members, he has continued to hold himself to the highest standards of professionalism and ethics, earning the respect and admiration of his colleagues and the Bench.

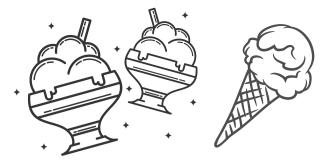
Congratulations on this well-deserved honor!





## staff picks.

OUR MONMOUTH AND OCEAN COUNTY FAVORITES



#### Favorite ice cream spot in Monmouth/Ocean County

LIGHTHOUSE (ROSANNA)

NANNO'S, WLB (MANDY)

JERSEY FREEZE (ELIZABETH)



On April 28th, our firm's members gathered with family and friends to establish "Matty's Smile Squad" for a walk in support of POAC Autism Services. It was a wonderful day, and we managed to raise more than \$3000.







# WHAT IS HAPPENING AT CU&W?



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### Liability and Damages

Frank Sinatra sang "Love and Marriage - you can't have one without the other". I may not have Sinatra's iconic voice but I could sing a similar tune called "Liability and Damages - in a personal injury case - you can't have one without the other."

Liability and Damages are the cornerstone of every personal injury complaint and without one or the other you cannot have a successful personal injury claim.

In a personal injury case, establishing liability is crucial in determining who is at fault for the accident or injury. This involves proving that the responsible party acted negligently or breached a duty of care, leading to the harm suffered by the victim.

On the other hand, damages refer to the losses and injuries incurred by the victim as a result of the accident. These can include medical expenses, lost wages, pain and suffering, and other related costs. Without proving the damages suffered, it becomes challenging to seek compensation for the harm caused.

Therefore, in the legal realm of personal injury cases, liability and damages go hand in hand like two sides of the same coin. Liability establishes fault, while damages quantify the losses suffered by the victim. Together, they form the foundation of a successful personal injury claim, ensuring that justice is served and the victim is rightfully compensated for their injuries.

### Attorney-Conducted Voir Dire with Charles J. Uliano, Esq.

Although still in its infancy in NJ, attorney-conducted voir dire refers to the process in which attorneys have the opportunity to question potential jurors during jury selection. This allows attorneys to gather information about potential jurors and assess their impartiality and suitability for serving on a jury. During attorney-conducted voir dire, attorneys have the ability to ask potential jurors a series of questions to determine biases, prejudices, or other factors that may affect their ability to be fair and impartial in the case. This process plays a crucial role in ensuring a fair and impartial jury is selected to hear the case.

Recently, I had my first experience with attorney-conducted voir dire in a criminal case in Monmouth County, and I found it to be quite positive. By being able to ask probative questions, I felt I gained a deeper understanding of the jurors' perspectives compared to judge-conducted voir dire. The jurors appeared to be more open, and it was surprising that some admitted to having a bias towards one side.

The jury selection process took three days, which was notably longer, but I believe that it should never be rushed. One concern I had was the heavy reliance on technology, with spreadsheets being on computers rather than in print. Despite having a tech assistant, there were technical glitches that caused unnecessary delays.

Overall, I was satisfied with the attorney-conducted voir dire experience and I am hopeful that this system will be adopted in the future.