

## **For the Third Consecutive Year, Cosmo Tedone Selected Member of The National Advocacy for DUI Defense (NAFDD)**

For the third consecutive year, Cosmo Tedone was recognized by The National Advocacy for DUI Defense (NAFDD), LLC, an organization that awards the nation's best private Driving Under the Influence (DUI) attorneys.

NAFDD identifies the top criminal defense attorneys in each state based upon their experience, reputation, and achievements, among other factors. Those who are selected spend a significant portion of their practice representing individuals accused of DUI offenses (sometimes called DWI, DWII, OUI, OVI, OWI or OUII).

DUI law is a highly specialized field. Effective DUI attorneys navigate through many complex legal issues, including the lawfulness of stops, detentions, and arrests; the reliability of field sobriety tests; the accuracy of breath and blood testing methods, including retrograde extrapolations; and driver license ramifications and administrative hearings. The attorneys selected by NAFDD have distinguished themselves by demonstrating particularized knowledge, skill, experience, and expertise in each of these areas, among others.

NAFDD's selection criteria are driven by a number of considerations. To meet minimum eligibility requirements, an attorney (1) must be licensed and in good standing with his or her state bar organization, (2) must be in private practice, (3) has to have practiced DUI law for at least seven years, and (4) must devote a significant portion of his or her practice to DUI defense. Additional factors include:

- Total length of time the attorney has been practicing criminal law
- Number of DUI clients the attorney has represented
- Jury trial experience
- Bench trial experience
- DUI case results
- Formal DUI training
- DUI publications
- DUI presentations
- Available peer reviews
- Available client reviews
- DUI-related achievements and/or awards
- History of ethical disciplinary actions

For more information about The National Advocacy for DUI Defense (NAFDD) and specific selection criteria for top DUI attorneys, visit [www.nafdd.org](http://www.nafdd.org). The National Advocacy for DUI Defense understands that there is no easy way to separate an accomplished DUI attorney from the less experienced. By recognizing the best DUI attorneys in each state and across the nation, NAFDD validates professional excellence in the legal community. Its statewide selections serve as a valuable resource for clients looking for experienced and competent DUI defense counsel.