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## Does Jury Foreman Have Greater Say in Verdict?

I have a fun trivia fact for you. In a civil lawsuit, does the jury foreperson have a great say in the jury verdict compared to all the other jurors? Want to know the answer? Come join me for a moment as I share with you some terrific information.

Hi, I'm Gerry Oginski. I'm a New York medical malpractice and personal injury attorney practicing law here in the state of New York. The answer is no, the jury foreperson does not have greater weight or greater say in the verdict compared to all the other jurors. In a civil lawsuit in New York, whether it's an accident case or medical malpractice case or even a wrongful death case, there will be six jurors who are going to decide whether we are more likely right than wrong. There are six jurors who are going to decide. The same six jurors are going to decide whether we are entitled to a verdict in our favor. So now, the mere fact that someone has been selected as the jury foreperson ... it used to be called the jury foreman, but in this age of being politically correct, it's called the jury foreperson, and the jury decides who's going to be that foreperson.

Being the jury foreperson simply means that you are the spokesman for the jury. You have no greater weight. Each person has the same exact single vote when deciding whether or not we have proven our case. Whether we have shown that we are more likely right than wrong. Simply because one person has the title of jury foreperson does not mean that they have any greater weight or say in the verdict or the outcome.

Why do I share this quick tidbit of information with you? I share it with you just to give you a sense of what goes on in the civil lawsuits here in the state of New York. I realize you're watching this because you probably have questions or concerns about your own particular

matter. If your matter did happen here in New York and you're thinking about bringing a lawsuit, but you have legal questions that you need answered, what I invite you to do is pick up the phone and call me. I can answer your legal questions. This is something I do every single day and I would love to chat with you. You can reach me at 516-487-8207 or by email at [Gerry@Oginski-Law.com](mailto:Gerry@Oginski-Law.com). That's it for today's video. I'm Gerry Oginski, have a wonderful day.