

Sarasota Attorney David Haenel Weighs In On Red Light Cameras In The Bradenton Herald

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David Haenel and his law partner Darren Finebloom have spent years building their criminal defense practice in Sarasota and Tampa. They are well versed in all areas of criminal defense and specialize in traffic cases and DUI so when the Bradenton Herald reporter Robert Napper needed to speak with an attorney for his August 25th article entitled “Bradenton facing red-light camera lawsuit” he called the Law Offices of Finebloom & Haenel to get their views on the new red-light cameras that have been installed in Manatee County.

The article came about after a class action lawsuit was filed in Orlando against red-light cameras in that city. The lawyer who filed the suit then said he planned to add Bradenton to his list of cities his firm will sue in Florida. The suit claims that the red light cameras do not identify drivers only cars and the owner of the car is presumed guilty, which is the opposite of the standard which is presumed innocent until proven guilty. If the suit is certified as a class action, more plaintiffs are expected to be added.

David brought a new dimension to the argument against red-light cameras when he spoke with the Bradenton Herald. He made the point that the city police will determine violations from the photos taken by the cameras and the appeals process will go through the city’s code enforcement board.

“The city will be policing itself, and that is crazy,” David told Mr. Napper in Tuesday’s Bradenton Herald. “This is about money and nothing else.”

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