

# SCOTT BARON & ASSOCIATES PC: Back, and better than before



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Scott Baron refused to let two decades of hard work and service to the community be washed away by Sandy, and now, once more, Scott Baron & Associates PC is fully restored and open for business — better than before.

The first floor of Baron's Howard Beach office was completely destroyed by Sandy.

"We lost the entire floor," Baron said. "After being here almost 20 years and not even closing for half an hour, we were down. That's why I pushed into survival mode."

While rebuilding the first floor completely, Baron moved operations to the office's second floor and also to his second office in Yonkers. Though it was a little cramped, he said, his office remained fully functional for all clients.

He said that prior to the storm he never foresaw any serious Sandy damage to his office and was caught by surprise when the storm proved him wrong.

However, the company has been busier than ever and able to accommodate its clients.

"I stress team effort," Baron said, "and I put a team on every case to get the best results possible."

Baron said the first floor was entirely redone with new furniture, rugs, walls, phones and more. Baron said the space is now more functional, complete with state-of-the-art technology.

And to celebrate, Baron and his staff hosted a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Monday, June 24 with special guest State Senator Joseph Addabbo.

Baron's office, a personal injury firm, has handled thousands of cases in the city, county, state, appellate and federal courts on behalf of the severely injured and people charged with criminal matters. The new, fully operational office will continue to serve those clients and the community.

He was appointed to the New York State Judicial Screening Committee Second Department, where his role is to screen prospective judicial applicants and/or judges up for possible reelection.

To give back, Baron does pro bono and related work with the Ozone Howard Little League, Byram Hills Educational Foundation and others. He is also a part of organizations including the Kings County and the Second Judicial District, Toys for Hospitalized Children, the Queens County Bar Association and, most recently, the Houston Food Bank as part of the NBA Cares program.

Baron looks forward to continuing his work with and for the people.

"To another 20 years," he said.

The law firm of Scott Baron & Associates, P.C., founded in 1994, is located at 159-49 Cross Bay Boulevard, Howard Beach, New York 11414. To learn more, call 1-866-WAS-HURT or visit [www.scottbaronassociates.com](http://www.scottbaronassociates.com).



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1. State Senator Joseph Addabbo presents Scott Baron, Esq. with a proclamation.

2. Stephanie Ruocco, management; Alex Pangilinan, office manager; Andrea R. Palmer, Esq. managing attorney, and Scott Baron, Esq.

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