**Corroboration of Statements**

Under our law, a person may not be convicted of an offense solely upon evidence of a confession or admission made by that person, without additional proof that the offense charged has been committed.1

This law is designed to make sure that a person is not convicted, by his/her own words, of a crime that did not take place. Thus, you may not convict the defendant solely on his/her own statement(s). There must be some additional proof that the crime(s) charged was/were committed.

1. CPL § 60.50; *See People v Booden*, 69 N.Y.2d 185 (1987); *People v Daniels*, 37 N.Y.2d 624 (1975).
2. *See People v Lipsky*, 57 N.Y.2d 560 (1982).