

Rising DUI Charges in DC Prompt Attorney Response

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Attorney Michael Bruckheim stresses the importance of following the laws in the face of rising DUI charges.

(Newswire.net -- August 19, 2013) Washington DC -- Drunk driving is a serious offense, and the Washington DC DUI laws are designed to deal with this offense accordingly in an effort to prevent repeat offenders. For this reason, it is very important for an offender to contact a DC DUI attorney as soon as possible. With the recent rise in DC DUIs it is becoming more and more important for drivers to be acutely aware of the laws of the road.

In Washington DC, a DUI charge is used when a driver is operating a motor vehicle while under the influence. To make its case, the government can use the results of chemical tests by way of blood, breath or urine, and also can rely on the officer's observations of the driver's condition. The government does not need chemical test results to bring a case or make a case. The Washington DC DUI laws allow for a number of different observations to be used as evidence in a DUI case. Some of the more common observations are: the driver's operation of the vehicle, such as erratic driving or failure to obey traffic laws, the driver fails or does poorly on field sobriety tests or is unable to complete them, the driver appears intoxicated, or stumbles while walking, and or the driver slurs their words, or is difficult to understand due to intoxication.

All of these circumstances provide evidence that the driver is suffering from physical or mental impairment, resulting in the charge of DUI.

A DUI is also the charge if a driver refuses to submit to a blood, breath or urine test to determine their exact blood alcohol level at the time of their arrest. Additionally, refusal to submit to the BAC testing can also be used as an admission of guilt or wrongdoing.

These laws are very strict, and can have a detrimental impact on the future driving privileges, and the life of an offender. This is why it is very important to contact a DUI lawyer in Washington DC if accused of driving under the influence. A [DC DUI attorney](#) is there to assist anyone who might be charged with a DUI, even if this is their first time being charged with this offense.

"When you are charged with a DUI in Washington DC, it is also important to understand that the Washington DC DUI laws also require a "look back" period of 15 years to determine whether there are prior convictions for the same offense that can be used in determining your sentence," stated Washington DC DUI attorney Michael Bruckheim. Mr. Bruckheim worked in the DC Attorney General's Office for over 11 years before opening his practice to help people accused of a DUI offense, and is very knowledgeable when it comes to the [DUI laws in Washington DC](#). He has taken hundreds of hours of DUI training in order to better assist clients and to be as knowledgeable and proficient as the government's witnesses.

If you are charged with DUI, you need to contact a DC DUI attorney as soon as possible to help you with your case.