

NOW REVEALED: 7 Secrets Your Prosecutor Doesn't Want You To Know!

1. If every defendant demanded their right to go to trial, the Prosecutor (Assistant State Attorney) handling DUI cases would spend all day in court arguing DUI cases and nothing *BUT* DUI cases!

You probably already know that Prosecutors can't spend all day in court; they have too much to do. They are already *overwhelmed* with other, more serious and complex criminal cases.

2. More and more, the minimum mandatory sentences for DUI violations are getting to be so severe; a defendant has nothing to lose by taking his DUI to trial.

If you're wondering whether the judge will hit you with a stiffer sentence if you take your DUI case to trial, then here's something you should know... Florida's lawmakers keep raising the minimum sentences for DUI's to such high levels, that if you go to trial and lose, you'll probably get the same sentence as if you pled Guilty or No Contest. I'm sure you'll agree that you have nothing to lose by fighting for your rights!

In fact, a plea of No Contest for a 1st DUI no longer gets you an "adjudication withheld" - a No Contest plea is the same as a Guilty Plea. It goes on your record as a conviction. I'm sure you'll agree that having a criminal record makes it very difficult to

- Obtain credit,
- Get a mortgage,
- Gain any kind of employment that requires a license,
- Get admitted to college or higher education and obtaining financial aid,
- Pass a background check when looking for an apartment... I'm sure you, like me, get the point

3. The Assistant State Attorney doesn't want to be there any more than you do.

This probably comes as no big surprise that attorneys do not accept a job with the Prosecutor's Office because they wanted a career prosecuting misdemeanor DUI cases in criminal court! Wouldn't you agree that they would rather be prosecuting serious felony cases than covering DUI's and misdemeanor cases all day? In fact, on any given day the Assistant State Attorney has 50 -75 other criminal cases that they have to handle. In Broward County alone, there are four separate criminal courts with nineteen Criminal Court judges who are each assigned 8-10 Prosecutors handling criminal matters every day. These Prosecutors are all looking to be assigned to judges who are known to blaze through their dockets quickly, so they could finish court each day as early as possible.

4. Your Prosecutor is never really prepared for his court appearances. He has too many cases to juggle each and every day.

What if I told you that Assistant State Attorneys DO NOT review their DUI cases before arraignment day? The shocking truth is, the Prosecutors are never prepared for their DUI court appearances because they don't know which DUI cases could be assigned to them until the morning of the hearing! Would it surprise you to learn that I tell my clients that it's impossible for me to contact their Prosecutor to talk about their case before their arraignment date? Again, the reason is because most DUI cases aren't assigned to a particular Prosecutor until the very last minute.

5. The DUI Task Force officer is unprepared.

If you're thinking that the arresting police officer is going to remember you in court, think again! Keep in mind that your DUI case is just one of dozens of DUI cases that the DUI Task Force officer has on your arraignment date. He may have 20-30 DUI cases besides all the other cases he has to appear on, on that day. Chances are, he doesn't recall your arrest. The reality is, this happens all the time in court. Clearly, the officer has no independent recollection of the arrest. He can't possibly remember your arrest because he has arrested hundreds of drivers *before* he arrested you, and he arrested hundreds of drivers *after* he arrested you! I'm sure you'll agree that he can't be expected to remember each and every DUI arrest.

6. Prosecutors know very well that there is no "science" behind standard field sobriety testing (SFST's), or "roadsides."

Everyone knows about the roadsides... the walk-and-turn exercise (take 9 steps heel-to-toe, turn and repeat), follow the pen-light with your eyes, the one-leg stand, the finger-to-nose exercise. Now pay close attention! The truth is... the roadside tests are NOT taught in law school. In fact, they are not even considered "tests" by scientists. They are not scientific, they are not reliable and they are not even administered properly. They are just meaningless "exercises" that no one could pass even if they were stone cold sober! Does this make sense so far?

7. The DUI Task Force officer did not follow proper procedures when conducting the roadsides or interpreting the results.

When a DUI Task Force officer is trained in SFST's, he learns the proper standards and procedures used according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration ("NHTSA"). But all too often officers fail to administer them in compliance with their training and in accordance with the standards set forth by the NHTSA. For example, on the "follow the pen with your eyes" test the NHTSA manual says if a driver moves his head, the officer should provide a "chin-rest." This is NEVER done. The NHTSA manual also says certain balance "tests" should not be done when a driver is very overweight or has a physical disability. This small detail is often overlooked by the testing officer.

Now, let this all sink in for a moment... what does this secret information mean to you? As you begin to pay closer attention to these words you, like me, are slowly beginning to realize that getting arrested for a DUI is no longer a hopeless case. As a matter of fact, it feels good to know that there are many effective and successful strategies for fighting a misdemeanor or serious felony DUI charge, or at least keeping adverse consequences to a minimum. As you are deciding, ask yourself this important question...

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P.S... Here's one more SECRET prosecutors don't want you to know:

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