

MORE ABOUT DECIDING ON AN ATTORNEY FOR YOUR DUI

Be careful in your choices. There are attorneys out there who will promote themselves as educated and trained in the important areas to know to properly defend you, such as, field tests, breath tests and blood tests, & DUI trial techniques, etc. Regrettably, some of these have only been to a seminar or two where ONE the topic(s) were covered. Some of these attorneys MAY have actually completed a specialized course on one of these topics. However, they have not studied deeper in this area. Perhaps that attorney HAS become properly knowledgeable in ONE of the many areas BUT has had little or NO exposure to the OTHER topics. Even then, he/she may have never used any of the information from those seminars for the benefit of their clients. Also, some of these have never contributed to the DUI Defense field, either.

This would be like having a medical problem that requires surgery, and going to a doctor who has only studied this problem in some of the literature a bit, maybe even gotten "good" at treating PART of the medical problem, but has never done one of these surgeries. That doctor would have almost certainly NEVER developed any new and innovative medical techniques to address that problem. That doctor simply could not have. He does not have the required training and experience to have been able to come up with new ways to treat that medical problem. Although that doctor MIGHT know some about your problem or he/she might even be a nice and pleasant person, most of us would NOT want that doctor to operate on us or one of our loved ones. There is simply TOO much at stake.

A couple of ways to see if the attorney you are considering is one of these, ask him/her these questions:

1. Have you used the expertise you claim in an actual trial? If so, how many times?
2. Have you taught other lawyers on this topic or were you the "student, not the master"?
3. Have you **contributed** to this field of DUI Defense by writing an article? By writing a book?

By fighting the government in a case all the way up to the appellate level (like the Supreme Court) and making law that benefits all those persons who might have to face this charge?

If he/she answers these questions with a NO, the attorney that you have been speaking with and/or are considering, OR reading about in his/her advertising might be one of these lawyers. *If he was a doctor, would you want him to operate on you?* If the answer to THAT question is NO, keep looking for a lawyer to help you with your DUI case.