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But I Passed the Breath Test...

While you know that it's illegal to drive with a .08 or greater blood alcohol content, not everyone knows that you can be arrested in Oregon for an alcohol DUI even if you blow well under a .08. We regularly represent people who've been arrested after driving with a .07, .06, even a .05 blood alcohol content. An officer's standard to arrest you if you are below a .08 is whether he or she thinks you're not as sharp, mentally or physically, as you would have been if you hadn't drank. This is a pretty loose standard and is a way that many of the good people we represent find themselves needing our help when they thought they were doing everything right.

I hope you never need to call us, but if you or someone you know does need help, please contact the Reynolds Defense Firm as soon as possible.

RDF attorneys sharing expertise & giving back!

The OSB New Lawyers Division is having its Annual SuperSaturday CLE event, and two of our RDF attorneys will be participating this year! Our Senior Associate Joshua Gibbs will be presenting "**DUI Defense Nuts & Bolts**". RDF Associate Eric Pickard is the co-organizer for this event, as well as the emcee for the day!

If you need CLE credits, this is a great one-stop shopping way to do that. The event begins at 8:30AM at the Oregon State Bar Center at 16037 SW Upper Boones Ferry Road in Tigard. The cost is \$60 and includes breakfast and lunch along with program materials.

Space is limited, so be sure to pre-register and check out what our RDF Team is doing to share their expertise with the community of new lawyers in Oregon. <https://www.osbar.org/index.html>



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A Unique Perspective on Jury Duty

Jury duty – a public responsibility that has a bad rep. Plenty of people groan when they get that dreaded letter in the mail. They talk about how inconvenient it is and how they absolutely **do not** want to go. They google ways to avoid being selected, and, if that doesn't work, they pray it's not "one of those cases" that takes longer than a day or two.

These are all common views... except recently one of our attorneys came back with a unique perspective. He, like most of us, had avoided jury duty as long as possible and had finally run out of extensions. He wasn't looking forward to it but came back refreshed and with a new outlook on his service.

He LOVED it! He was able to get away from the demands of regular life, he had some time to read a book for enjoyment, and he used this as an opportunity to get some head space. We now refer to his jury duty as a "staycation"! Not exactly how most people would describe their required experience at the courthouse, but it shows you just how much perspective plays into how you experience everything in your life. Regardless of his outlook, he had to do jury duty, and rather than spending energy being angry that he had to sit around and wait, he chose to take advantage of the opportunity to experience his week a little differently than normal.



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What's new with me and my own

Random Connections – an unusual reminder from a former client

While Portland is a big city compared to where I grew up, it can still feel like a pretty small community in some great ways. Like, for example, me randomly bumping into three past clients in the last month. The clients had nothing to do with each other - one was from ten years ago, another was from five years ago, and the last we worked with about two years ago. There wasn't any rhyme or reason to where I saw them either – one was at my son's soccer tryouts, another at the church my family attends, and the last was in, of all places, a country club restroom.

There are some similarities between the three of them, though. Each is still a productive member of society, each is someone that I believe is a good person, and each was very appreciative of the help Reynolds Defense Firm had given them when they needed it the most.

These encounters reminded me that I am a very fortunate person – while most criminal defense attorneys may dread or even fear running into one of their past clients, my experience this past month just reaffirmed to me that we are doing the right things and that we are helping the right type of folks every single day - good people that I can be truly glad to see in my everyday life and that I am proud know on a personal level.

The Reynolds Defense Firm—we're solid, we're here if you need us, and we are very good at what we do.