



RDF NEWS

We Represent Good People Facing DUI Charges

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*The RDF Team Wishes You
All the Best!*

As the holiday events gear up, and if you have something to drink, please be careful. Because no matter how solid the Reynolds Defense Firm is, or how great our people are, or how effective we are in court, we hope you never need to call us in the first place, and that goes doubly over the holidays.



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5 Holiday Tips

Tip #1—Not all pints are created equal

It's no secret that we love our microbrews in the Pacific Northwest. But be careful when sampling our seasonal brews - some specialty microbrews can be pretty potent. A single pint could have as much alcohol in it as half a six-pack of domestic beer. So enjoy your holiday beer, just be aware that not all pints are created equal.

Tip #2—Uber is easier

Uber is better, faster, easier and less expensive than any taxi service I've used. Take out your phone right now and add the Uber app! Then use it to get across town so you know how it works - the more comfortable you are with the service, the more likely you are to use it when you need to.

Tip #3—Stick with the drinks you know

If you are a beer or wine drinker, avoid mixed drinks - you are used to drinking wine or beer at a certain 'pace.' If you use that same beer or wine pace with mixed drinks, you could end up drinking more alcohol in the same period of time than you intended.

Tip #4—Don't fail the attitude test

If you are pulled over, remember that the police officers are just trying to do their job.

Tip #5—Its all about the standard

We regularly represent folks who have blown a .07, .06, or even a .05 BAC. The standard used by the police in making an arrest is whether "a person's mental or physical faculties are negatively impacted to a noticeable degree by alcohol or another intoxicant." In other words, you can be arrested if the officer believes you are not as sharp, mentally or physically, as you would have been if you had not had anything to drink. So don't give them any reason to think that you're not in control of your vehicle.



What's new with me and my own We're still waiting on this year's Christmas Gorilla!

The Reynolds family has a holiday tradition that, as of press time, is in danger! Each year, Jack and I go to the far corners of a secret Christmas tree farm in Oregon to find a fantastic tree. This is the tree that fills our house with Christmas cheer (literally - we have to move a lot of furniture!). This is the tree that Jack and I love and that Tammy tolerates because she loves us. This is the tree we have affectionately come to know as our annual Christmas Gorilla. And we haven't been able to go get it yet.

The ice and snow storms that have been hitting Portland mid-week for the past few weeks have been a lot of fun for the kids, and they've left the road to our home unplowed and frozen. Not a problem - it happens every year. We park about a quarter of a mile from our house, we have little crampon booties that fit over our shoes, and we use a sled to bring things back and forth. Except Christmas Gorillas are heavy. I mean really heavy - too heavy to carry to our house, too heavy for a plastic sled. So, Jack and I are working on a plan. It involves gravity, plywood, and a block and tackle. And maybe a winch, if I can find one. And rope - we'll definitely need lots of rope. And probably some sweat and scuffed knuckles for good measure. We are going to get our tree this weekend, and it is going to be glorious!

In the meantime, Jack and I bought a consolation prize. Tammy asked us to get some more outside Christmas decorations, so we did. Little did she know that this little green inflatable guy was coming back home with us! Yes, it is cheesy, and silly. More importantly, it makes us laugh every time we see it - after all, nothing says Christmas like a Christmas Yoda!

From our family to you and yours, we wish you all the best this holiday season, and we wish you an epic 2017 as well!

