



“Top 10 Things To Do If You Are Arrested In Massachusetts”

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If you've just been arrested, or fear that you might soon be arrested, chances are that you are feeling scared, anxious, worried and overwhelmed. But this is precisely the time when you need to remain calm. Call the **Law Offices Of William D. Kickham at Ph.: (781) 320-0062 or at Ph.: (617) 285-3600** to talk personally to our lead attorney, William D. Kickham, an experienced Boston, Massachusetts-area Criminal Defense Attorney. Attorney Kickham is available 24/7 so you can call him any time, evenings, nights and weekends. If you prefer, you can fill out a Contact Form on Attorney Kickham's website, by visiting <http://criminal.attorneywdkickham.com>. You can briefly describe your situation, and we will get right back to you.

IN THE MEANTIME, CONSIDER THESE 10 WAYS TO GIVE YOURSELF - AND YOUR FAMILY -- PEACE OF MIND DURING THIS DIFFICULT TIME:

1) If you have not yet been arrested, but are being investigated by police and fear you might soon be arrested, remember that you do not have to provide police with any information other than your name, social security number and address. Do not volunteer any other information, but at the same time you should not in any way resist arrest. Doing so will only compound the possible charges against you.

2) Remember that a conviction of a crime will haunt you and follow you for the rest of your life. This is the time to put your life in the hands of an experienced criminal defense lawyer who has the expertise, background, and experience in the area where you have been arrested for the alleged crime. Do **not** hire an inexperienced attorney to represent you.

3) If you are speaking with several attorneys, make sure to ask them about their independent ranking by a professional rating organization such as AVVO. For example, attorney William D. Kickham has a top ranking of **8.1 out of 10**, which is rated "**Excellent.**" Hire criminal defense attorney

William D. Kickham and you know you will be in good hands. Check out Attorney Kickham's professional profile on AVVO at www.avvo.com.

4) Hire a criminal defense attorney who will offer you a fair and honest evaluation of your case. Attorney Kickham will provide you with a **FREE** initial case evaluation. Better than that, he will even make a "house call" to you, if you are not available during normal 9-5 working hours. *"I make house calls to provide added value and more convenience to my potential clients,"* says Attorney Kickham. *"Many, many people who are arrested have to work during the day and can only meet with a lawyer in the later evening hours, and I understand that. I am one of the very few lawyers these days that makes house calls, but I am glad to do it for the benefit of my clients."*

5) Make sure that the attorney whom you hire gives you a written fee agreement spelling out the attorney's obligations, and your obligations. Attorney Kickham, for example, will sit down with you and explain the terms of his fee agreement, in specific detail. In most criminal defense cases, standard legal fee procedure requires a bank check or certified check to be deposited in a special Clients Funds account, as an advance retainer. Having this type of information will only help you to be more prepared as your attorney defends you.

6) Tell the whole story to the attorney whom you hired to represent you. The *whole* story: Remember, once you formally hire an attorney, you are protected by attorney-client privilege between you and the attorney that you speak to. Whatever you say to Attorney Kickham, for example, will be held in the strictest professional confidence. In addition, make sure you feel comfortable with the lawyer you hire. Personal chemistry cannot be underestimated.

7) Ask the attorneys whom you speak to, what it is that sets them apart from other attorneys, and what skills make them uniquely qualified to defend your case. Attorney Kickham, for example, has been successfully

representing clients accused of crimes in Massachusetts, for more than 20 years. He is also well-known among the media and sought-after by seasoned reporters as a trusted legal expert; Attorney Kickham often serves as a legal analyst on TV, radio, and in newspapers and magazines, as he is known as a top expert in the field of criminal defense.

8) Think twice before you consider a big-name, “big-box” law firm. Do you really want to be represented by a “Costco of criminal defense?” At large, “marquee” firms, you may meet initially with a partner, but the odds are very high that your case will end up with a very junior lawyer. You don’t want an attorney fresh out of law school, or a junior associate in such a firm to represent you – which is what you just might get when you hire a “premier” firm with Oriental carpets and chandeliers. Attorney Kickham will personally represent you, and you can rest assured that he will handle all the details of your case. You will not be just another file among hundreds.

9) Hire an experienced criminal defense attorney who has a reputation for winning cases. Attorney Kickham will be happy to discuss his many successes with you, and explain his dedication to zealously defending his clients within all ethical and legal boundaries. Again, do not hire an inexperienced defense attorney to represent you.

10) Tell your attorney any and all concerns that you have. A good and capable criminal defense attorney, such as Attorney Kickham, will want to know all of your worries, so that he can best address them and set your mind at ease.