

## Wake County DWI Defense Lawyer Jesse Scharff, Of Roberts Law Group, PLLC, Gets Underage Driver Charged With Drunk Driving A Second Chance At A Clean Record

North Carolina drunk driving defense lawyer Jesse Scharff secures a prayer for judgment continued (PJC) for driver under 21 charged with drinking and driving. The PJC was recently entered, on the driver's 21st and he avoided any related DWI penalties or criminal record.

Raleigh, NC (<u>PRWEB</u>) January 02, 2013 -- Understanding the difficulty of securing a prayer for judgment in an underage DWI case, <u>Wake County DWI defense lawyer</u> Jesse Scharff tirelessly pursued the best interests of his client and secured a second chance at a clean criminal record for his client.

In this drunk driving case, the underage driver blew a .05 on a portable breath test. North Carolina maintains a zero-tolerance policy for underage drinking; despite blowing under a .08 – the legal limit for adults – the individual was charged with driving while impaired (DWI).

If convicted, the young adult was <u>facing up to six months in jail</u>, fines, driving sanctions, a 150 percent increase in auto insurance premiums and a permanent blemish on his criminal record. Based on his experience defending those accused of impaired driving in North Carolina, Raleigh DWI defense lawyer Jesse Scharff knew that it would be difficult to secure a prayer for judgment continued (PJC) on the client's behalf in Wake County. Judges typically do not grant a PJC on this charge if the defendant has blown over a .04.

Nevertheless, Scharff pressed for the <u>best possible outcome</u> for the underage driver. A PJC would allow the young adult to plead guilty to the DWI offense without suffering any penalties. In this case, the driver had already taken the initiative to take remedial steps after the drunk driving arrest and Scharff was able to submit evidence of this to the judge in favor of the granting of a PJC.

After a year of good behavior, the PJC was entered, according to court documents. The now 21-year-old driver was able to avoid a lifetime with a drunk driving conviction. He had to pay court costs, but was saved additional fines, insurance rate increases and points on his driver's license.

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