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### DUI DEFENSE: WHEN ART AND SCIENCE COLLIDE

Creativity is a necessary skill for a trial attorney, which is why so many trial lawyers have creative hobbies. DUI defense is not only about knowing the law and science in a case, but about how the story is presented. Like playing a song, a trial lawyer must hit the right notes at precisely the right time while simultaneously injecting the appropriate feeling and emotion into the case. For Denver DUI defense attorney Jay Tiftickjian,

advocating for his clients' rights in court is much like playing guitar—he is always prepared and polished and yet able to improvise at a moment's notice.

Tiftickjian Law Firm, P.C. has helped hundreds of clients charged with DUI and drug-related offenses all across Colorado. Tiftickjian and his team of criminal defense attorneys are well-known and respected as evidenced by the accolades and recognitions conferred upon them. He was named *Law Week Colorado's* 2012

Barrister's Best DUI Lawyer and the firm is listed in the *Bar Register of Preeminent Lawyers* for criminal defense. In 2012, Tiftickjian authored chapters in four Aspatore/Thomson Reuters-Westlaw books on DUI/DWI defense and drug crimes. This is his fourth consecutive selection to Colorado Rising Stars.

Defending DUI and drug cases requires an extraordinary amount of training and knowledge in the science of forensic toxicology and intoxication-test evidence. Blood alcohol testing requires precision. "If the testing mechanism is out of tune, or not calibrated properly, its end result is different and cannot be relied upon," says Tiftickjian.

DUI defense also requires creativity. "Some of my best ideas come late at night after everyone has gone to bed and I am up playing guitar and thinking about my clients," says Tiftickjian. "Winning over a jury depends not just on your handle of forensic science and law, but how you present the argument with the right choice of words and feeling, like picking the right notes and timing while playing."



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