

At Blumenthal Law Offices our experienced, litigation-focused attorneys handle a broad range of criminal cases. We pursue the best possible outcome for every client, whether that means preventing the DA from filing charges, negotiating a favorable plea bargain, or asserting and protecting the client's constitutional rights through a jury trial. Here are some examples of the types of outcomes that our efforts have secured for past clients.

DUI / TRAFFIC

People v. Rosa Z.

Rosa was contacted by police after she was seen crashing her car into some trash containers in the parking lot of a local restaurant. After being arrested for what would be a third DUI, she was facing a significant amount of jail time if convicted. At jury trial we attacked the investigation and the credibility of the police officers, resulting in a verdict of Not Guilty. (Tried by Attorney Jeff Moore.)

People v. Gilberto S.

Gilberto was pulled over by CHP and cited for driving under the influence. The Riverside District Attorney filed charges based upon the police report filed by the patrolman. After several months we were able to obtain a video of Gilberto's driving which clearly demonstrated that the officer had fabricated the basis for the initial traffic stop. When confronted with the video, the DA dismissed the case and dropped all charges.

People v. Elaine G.

Elaine was in town to help her elderly aunt do some home maintenance. She drove the aunt to a local Home Depot and, using the aunt's handicap placard, parked in the handicap spot at the front of the store. Unbeknownst to Elaine and her aunt, the placard was issued in someone else's name (it's a long story). Amazingly, this was discovered by a police officer that just happened to be doing an enforcement sweep on placards to combat fraud and abuse. As the driver, Elaine was cited for misuse of a handicap placard, a misdemeanor. As a matter of principle, Elaine refused to plead to any offense to resolve the matter, and we happily prepared to take the case to a jury trial to prove her innocence. The prosecution made offer after offer to try to avoid the trial, but Elaine refused to budge. We showed up, ready for trial, and the DA finally admitted their mistake and dismissed the case.

People v. David S.

David was charged with a felony hit and run after his vehicle struck a police officer. The officer was responsible for blocking an intersection and preventing civilians from entering into an area threatened by a wildfire. David was distracted by his need to get to his home in the burn area and get his wife to safety. Failing to see the officer, David drove around the roadblock and proceeded to his residence. The rear of David's vehicle struck the officer, knocking him backward, as he approached to try and catch David's attention. While the officer alleged that David had seen him, we were able to show the prosecutor that this simply wasn't true. The felony charge was dropped.