

Utah Rape Defense Lawyer

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Few things can be more terrifying than a rape allegation. The social stigma alone here in the Salt Lake area can be paralyzing, and the thought of trying to find a sympathetic ear to listen to your troubles can be overwhelming. **You need a confidential source, which listens to your view and has the legal expertise to aggressively protect your rights and reputation.**

In today's increasingly connected world, you might even have to worry about social media coming into the picture. With a few venomous words and a picture posted online, you can find yourself completely isolated from everyone who you thought cared about you without any semblance of due process.

That's why you need someone who's ready to go the extra mile to protect you. With our 100+ years of experience, we can resolve your case quickly and in your best interest. We'll give you the high level of personal attention you deserve.

Call Wasatch Defense Attorneys at [801.980.9965](tel:801.980.9965) today for a confidential, no-obligation case review.

Utah Rape Laws

The definition of rape is having sexual intercourse without both parties' consent. The law doesn't care if you're married to the victim, if you're both drunk, or what sort of physical responsiveness was involved. If the other party claims to have been raped, the justice system believes it.

Rape of an Adult

In Utah, for the purposes of rape, anyone aged 14 or older is considered an adult. This is a first degree felony and

carries a minimum mandatory sentence of 5 years in jail. This sentence goes up to a minimum of 15 years with life sentences and life without parole as further options if the court finds extenuating circumstances to be particularly harsh.

Rape of a Child

A person may be charged with rape of a child if he or she allegedly had sexual intercourse with a child under the age of 14. It is also classified as a first degree felony, but unlike with an adult, the minimum sentence is 25 years to life. Life without parole is another option, if serious bodily injury or a second offense was committed.

Rape Committed by a Juvenile

If the accused was under the age of 18 at the time the alleged rape occurred, the court cannot pass a sentence of life without parole. However, the crime will count as a previous offense should the person be accused again and being a juvenile does not reduce the mandatory minimum sentences.

What a Utah Rape Defense Lawyer Can Do For You

Many rape cases quickly turn into “he said, she said” affairs where the truth can be especially difficult to prove because of the nature of the offense. Which means it is vitally important to make sure that what you said and what you did is presented in the best possible light. At Wasatch Defense Attorneys, we know how hard it can be to make your story heard impartially. Our years of experience means that we know the system inside and out and can help you every step of the way.

Remain calm and contact an experienced Sex Crimes Lawyer today [801.980.9965](tel:801.980.9965) for a free, confidential consultation.

Guard Your Rights

Do NOT Waive Your Right to Legal Counsel! Authorities will try get you to incriminate yourself and suggest there is no need for an attorney. Stay calm and call us immediately: [801.980.9965](tel:801.980.9965)

Experience You Can Trust

We have represented thousands of clients, with countless difficulties and challenges, for more than 100 years. Less than 1% of our clients have ever been incarcerated.

Compassionate & Aggressive

Whether you have a family, financial, or criminal matter – our ethical, caring attorneys listen to YOU and use their expertise and a strong, hands-on approach to get you the best result.