Embezzlement Defense Lawyer in Salt Lake City, Utah

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Utah Embezzlement Defense Attorney: Protecting Your Rights and Future

Are you or a loved one facing embezzlement charges in Salt Lake City or anywhere in Utah? At <u>Wasatch Defense Lawyers</u>, we understand the fear and uncertainty that come with such serious accusations. Our experienced embezzlement defense attorneys are here to stand by your side, protect your rights, and fight for your future.

Understanding Embezzlement Charges in Utah

Embezzlement is a <u>serious white-collar crime</u> that involves the misappropriation of funds entrusted to an individual. In Utah, embezzlement is considered a form of theft and is prosecuted under theft statutes. The severity of the charges and potential penalties depend on the value of the property embezzled:

- Less than \$500: Class B misdemeanor, up to 6 months in jail and/or up to \$1,000 in fines
- \$500 to \$1,500: Class A misdemeanor, up to 1 year in jail and/or up to \$2,500 in fines
- \$1,500 to \$5,000: Third-degree felony, up to 5 years in prison and/or up to \$5,000 in fines
- \$5,000 or more: Second-degree felony, 1-15 years in prison and/or up to \$10,000 in fines

In addition to these penalties, a conviction can result in:

- Restitution: You may be ordered to repay the embezzled funds.
- Professional consequences: Loss of professional licenses, difficulty finding employment.
- Personal impact: Damage to reputation, strained relationships with family and friends.

Key elements prosecutors must prove for an embezzlement conviction in Utah:

- 1. A fiduciary relationship existed between the defendant and the victim.
- 2. The defendant acquired the property through this relationship.
- 3. The defendant wrongfully used or transferred the property for personal gain.
- 4. The defendant intended to deprive the rightful owner of the property.

Common defenses against embezzlement charges include:

- Lack of intent to deprive the owner of property
- Consent or authorization from the property owner
- Mistaken belief of ownership or right to use the property
- Insufficient evidence to prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt

Given the complexity of embezzlement cases and the severe consequences of a conviction, it's crucial to have experienced legal representation. At Wasatch Defense Lawyers, we understand the nuances of Utah's embezzlement laws and can build a strong defense strategy tailored to your specific situation.

How Our Salt Lake City Embezzlement Defense Lawyers Can Help

At Wasatch Defense Lawyers, we bring over 650 trials worth of experience to your case. Our approach to embezzlement defense includes:

- 1. **Thorough Case Evaluation:** We'll review every detail of your case to identify potential weaknesses in the prosecution's argument.
- 2. **Strategic Defense Planning:** We'll develop a tailored defense strategy based on the specifics of your situation.
- 3. **Negotiation with Prosecutors:** When appropriate, we'll negotiate with prosecutors to reduce charges or penalties.
- 4. **Aggressive Courtroom Representation:** If your case goes to trial, we'll fight vigorously for your rights in court.

Why Choose Wasatch Defense Lawyers for Your Embezzlement Case?

- **Experience**: With over 650 trials under our belt, we have the expertise to handle complex embezzlement cases.
- 24/7 Availability: Legal troubles don't wait for business hours. We're here for you around the clock.
- Free Case Review: Get a no-obligation evaluation of your case to understand your options.
- Client-Focused Approach: We understand you're innocent until proven guilty and treat you with the respect you deserve.
- **Top-Rated:** We have more 5-star reviews than any other criminal defense firm in Utah.

Don't Face Embezzlement Charges Alone

The consequences of an embezzlement conviction can be severe. Don't risk your future by facing these charges without <u>expert legal representation</u>. At Wasatch Defense Lawyers, we're committed to protecting your rights and fighting for the best possible outcome in your case.

Contact Our Salt Lake City Embezzlement Defense Attorneys Today

Time is crucial when facing embezzlement charges. The sooner you reach out, the more time we have to build a <u>strong defense</u>. Contact Wasatch Defense Lawyers today for a free, confidential consultation. Let us put our experience and dedication to work for you.

Call us at (801) 509-9087 or complete our online form to schedule your free case evaluation. Your future may depend on the actions you take today.

Remember, you're innocent until proven guilty. Let <u>Wasatch Defense Lawyers</u> help you protect your rights and your future.