

National Traffic Law Center: Who We Are and What We Do

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NATIONAL TRAFFIC LAW CENTER



National District Attorneys Association

- Formed in 1950, NDAA is the oldest and largest national organization representing state and local prosecutors in the country and is the recognized as the leading source of national expertise on the prosecutor function.
- NDAA's mission is to provide state and local prosecutors with the knowledge, skills and support they need to ensure justice is done and that public safety rights are protected.
- Services: Training (scholarships available), technical assistance, member benefits

NTLC Mission Statement

- To improve the quality of justice in traffic safety adjudications by increasing awareness of highway safety issues through the compilation, creation and dissemination of legal and technical information and by providing training and reference services to prosecutors, judges, law enforcement and others in the criminal justice system.

Funding

- United States Department of Transportation

FMCSA

NHTSA

- Foundation for Advancing Alcohol Responsibility

(FAAR, Responsibility.org)

- Lyft
- NASBLA

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Services Provided by NTLC



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- Technical assistance on traffic safety issues
- Resource materials: monographs, newsletter, reports
- Curriculum development, on-line learning courses and videos
- Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutors
- Statutory compilations
- Subject matter experts: CDL, impaired driving and other traffic safety issues

**Commercial Drivers' Licenses:
A Prosecutor's Guide to the Basics
of Commercial Motor Vehicle
Licensing and Violations**



SECOND EDITION

Monograph



Monograph

Distracted Driving CDL Enforcement for Prosecutors and Law Enforcement




Monograph

Large Truck Crash Reconstruction for Prosecutors



BY PROFESSOR JOHN KWASNOSKI

Between the Lines Newsletter



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BETWEEN THE LINES

UPCOMING TRAININGS & CONFERENCES

A list of NDAA virtual training sessions is available at ntlc.org/training-conferences. For current information, effective best practices, and targeted resources for prosecutors, visit ntlc.org/road-95.

NDAA Mastering Masking Digital Course/ On Demand Training (CLE Available)
ntlc.org/training/mastering-masking-2/

NDAA Human Trafficking and the Impact on Commercial Driver's Licenses/On Demand Training
ntlc.org/training/human-trafficking-and-the-impact-on-commercial-drivers-licenses/

NDAA Prosecuting DUI Cases Online Course/ On Demand Training (CLE Available)
ntlc.org/training/prosecuting-dui-cases/

Ethics of PUA Regarding Live Webinars
Experts: Thrive and Grow—DUI Experts, Psychologists, Technical Experts (Live Webinar)
 March 28, 2022 @ 10:00 a.m. ET


Utilizing 3D Technology in the Courtroom (Live Webinar)
 March 29, 2022 @ 1:00-4:00 p.m. ET

RESOURCES

Impaired Driving Resources
ntlc.org/program/impaired/

CDL-Related Resources
ntlc.org/program/nhtsa-commercial-drivers-licenses/

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Improving Roadway Safety by Linking DOT Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy with the Commercial Driver's License

The FMCSA CDL Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse
By FMCSA CDL and Drug and Alcohol Programs Divisions


Driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs puts everyone on the road in danger. Due to their size and weight, crashes involving commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) have a high risk of injuries and fatalities. Impaired driving and CMVs can be a deadly combination.


Keeping unsafe CMV drivers off the road is the responsibility of all employers of CMV operators. As mandated by the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21), the Federal Motor Safety Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) implemented the CDL Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse on January 6, 2020. Since then, employers of commercial driver's license (CDL) and commercial learner's permit (CLP) holders have been required to register for and use the Clearinghouse as part of the Agency's efforts to ensure that only drivers that are not prohibited from safety-sensitive functions are put behind the wheel of a CMV.

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NDAA is making its National Courses available virtually in light of health and safety concerns over COVID-19. Check out a full list of NDAA virtual training sessions at ntlc.org/training-conferences.

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ntlc.org/training/prosecuting-dui-cases/

Prosecuting Gangs in Juvenile Court Part I: Investigations (Live Webinar) (CLE Available)
 December 1, 2021 @ 3:00 p.m. EDT

Forensic Evidence Course (CLE Available)
 December 6-9, 2021, New Orleans, LA


Prosecuting Gangs in Juvenile Court Part II: Courtroom Practice (Live Webinar) (CLE Available)
 December 8, 2021 @ 3:00 p.m. EDT

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The Importance of Judicial Recognition of Cases Involving Commercial Drivers Licenses


By Hon. Gary A. Graber


On an almost daily basis, individuals share the highway with others, either as a driver or passenger. Virtually everyone has read about some horrific traffic collision, or unsafe act by another, in a wide variety of vehicles, including commercial motor vehicles. In the worst-case scenario, these situations result in death or serious injury. At best, these situations result in traffic or criminal citations issued against the driver and, ultimately, must be adjudicated in a court of law. Members of the judiciary presiding over these cases must obtain specific commercial driver's license (CDL) related education to understand and effectively oversee the administration of these offenses. This ensures drivers are accountable for their actions, convictions are properly recorded, and dangerous

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CDL Curriculum: Mastering Masking

Facilitator Guide June 2020



Mastering Masking: Legal and Ethical Consequences of Plea Negotiations Involving Commercial Driver's Licenses



CDL Curriculum: Human Trafficking



Human Trafficking and the Impact on Commercial Driver's Licenses



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On-line Course (CLE available) Mastering Masking

ON-DEMAND LEARNING: MASTERING MASKING DIGITAL COURSE

On Demand Webinar

Federal and most state law prohibits the “Masking” of convictions. Misconceptions continue to persist surrounding this statute’s mandate requiring the reporting of CDL/CMV violations and convictions and prosecutors’ discretion to negotiate these cases.

This online training [course](#), developed by national experts in cooperation with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, the National District Attorneys Association’s National Traffic Law Center, and the National Center for State Courts, is for new and practicing prosecutors, as well as other [traffic](#) safety professionals who desire to learn more about the legal and ethical consequences of plea negotiations involving commercial driver’s license (CDL) cases. This **FREE** training course is designed to equip prosecutors with the knowledge, information, and confidence necessary to effectively prosecute CDL and/or large commercial motor vehicle (CMV) cases. The course walks the learner through a first-person simulation of prosecuting the fictional traffic case of a CDL holder. The training uses a case file, interactive exercises, document mock-ups, and avatar voiceovers to bring the course content to life.



On-line Course: Human Trafficking



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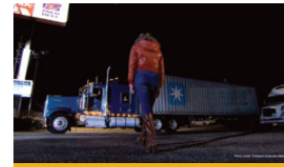
Resources



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Human Trafficking and the Impact on Commercial Driver's Licenses

📅 On Demand Webinar

REGISTER TO WATCH NOW

The National Traffic Law Center (NTLC) has created an education tool for prosecutors, law enforcement and other traffic safety professionals titled: "Human Trafficking and the Impact on Commercial Driver's Licenses." This training module is designed to educate about the Federal "No Human Trafficking on Our Roads Act" (NHTRA) which was signed into law on January 1, 2018 by President Donald J. Trump. As a result of NHTRA, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) announced a final rule that imposes a lifetime ban on drivers who are convicted of a severe form of human trafficking in a commercial motor vehicle (CMV) from operating a CMV. This rule was signed into law on July 23, 2019. Under this rule, states have until September 23, 2022 to comply with this mandate. FMCSA allowed a three-year period to permit states sufficient time to seek legislation, update their regulations, and make the appropriate information technology changes to apply the lifetime ban.

Human Trafficking and the Impact on Commercial Driver's Licenses is designed to be presented as a stand-alone training, or an individual module to be added to existing trainings. The [Participant Guide](#) is available for online course attendees to follow along with the webinar. If you are interested in adapting this course for teaching in your own jurisdiction, click the Instructor Guide banner below.

Roadside to Record Videos and Curriculum



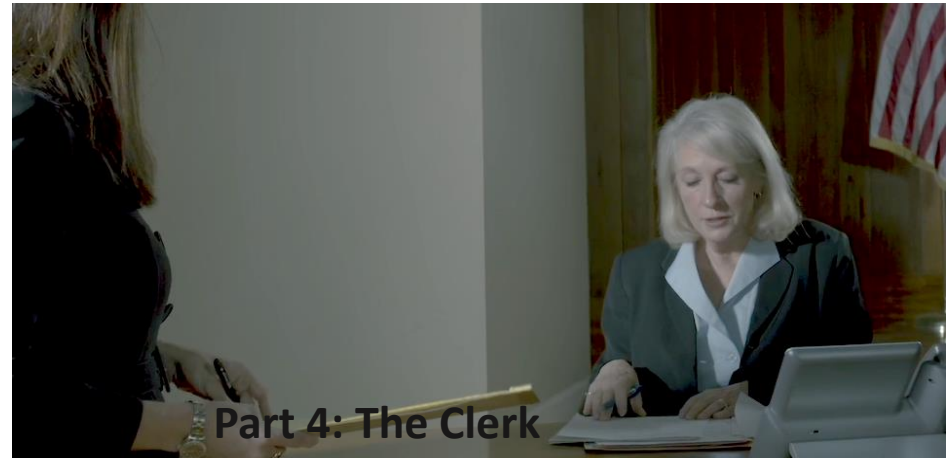
Part 1: The Roadside - CMV



Part 2: The Roadside – CDL & Personal Vehicle



Part 3: The Courtroom



Part 4: The Clerk

Internet CDL Forum Social Media Posts

CDL Forum:

Current membership: 246

To become a member:



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Social Media Posts

Monograph: NHTSA



Constitutional Law Issues in Impaired Driving Cases

January 2021

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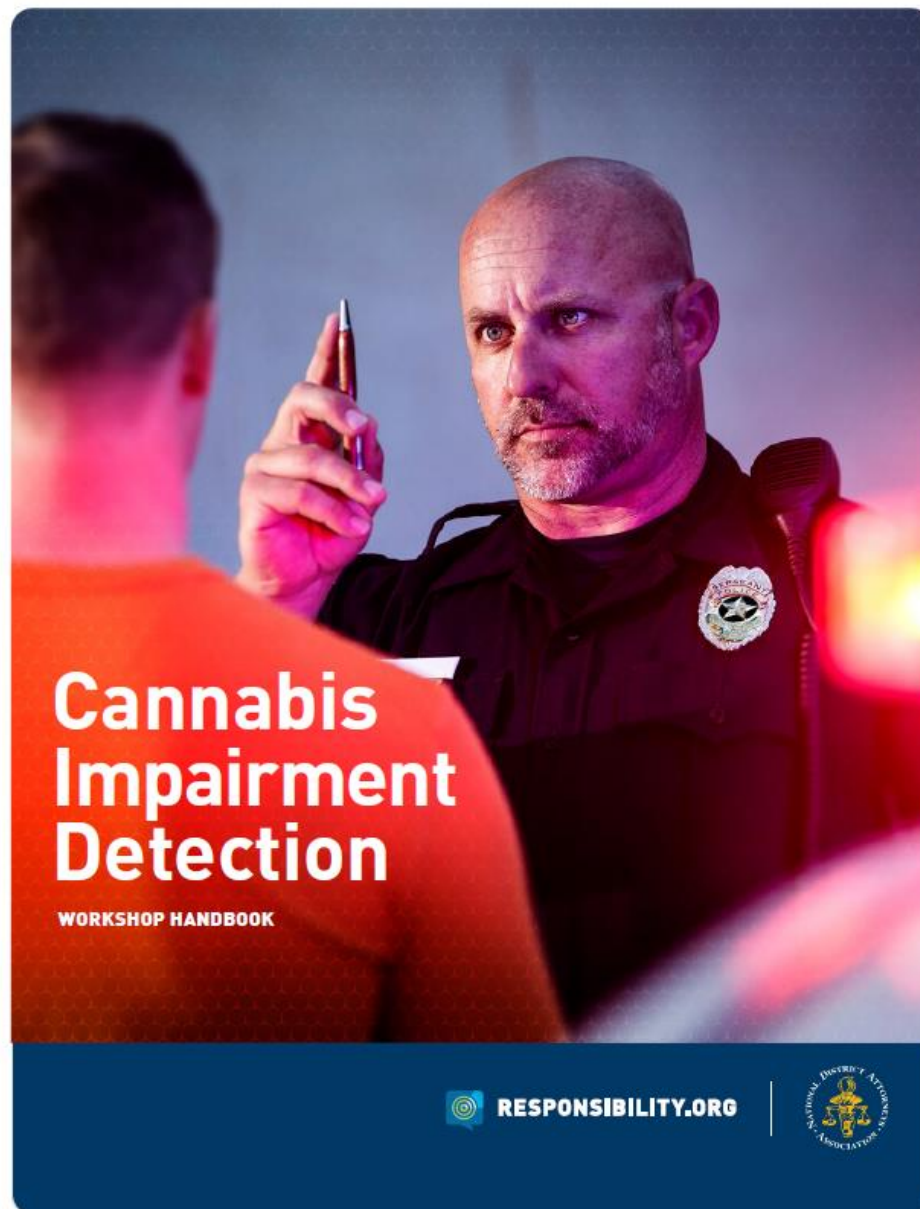
*Investigation and Prosecution of
Cannabis-Impaired Driving Cases*



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Monograph:
NHTSA

Monograph: FAAR



 RESPONSIBILITY.ORG



Monographs:
2022

New: Defenses
and Challenges III
(NHTSA)

Updating: Drug
Toxicology for
Prosecutors (FAAR)

Curriculum: NHTSA

Lethal Weapon

Cops in Court

Prosecuting the Impaired Driver

Prosecuting the Drugged Driver

Prosecutor Train the Trainer

Prosecutor and Toxicology

Protecting Lives/Saving Futures

On-line Course: Prosecuting DUI Cases (CLE available)

PROSECUTING DUI CASES

On Demand Webinar

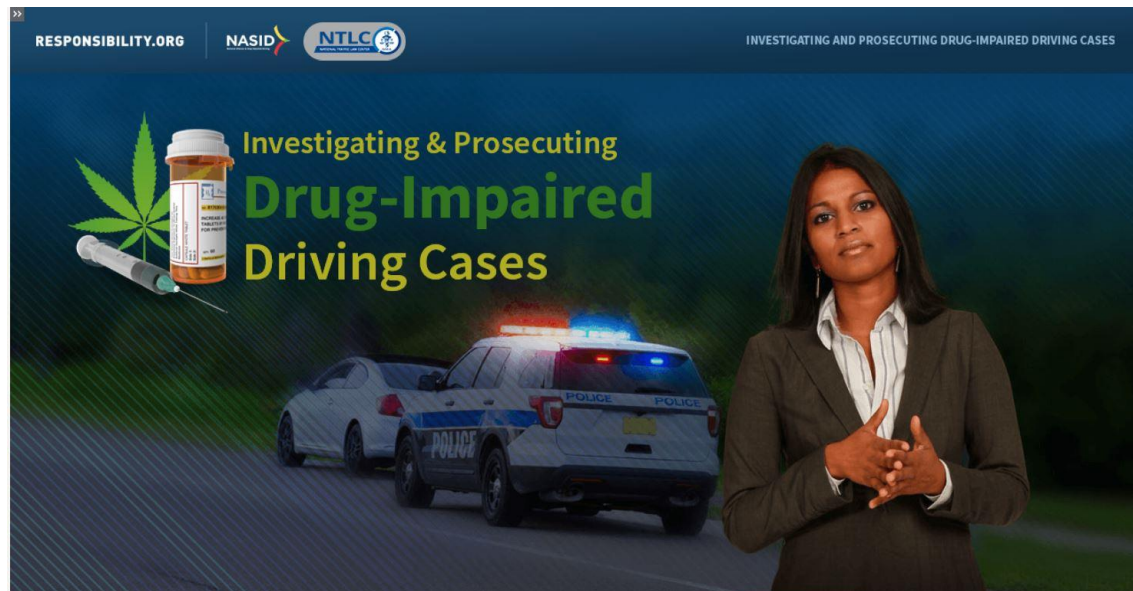
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[Learn more.](#)



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Course:
Spring
2022
(CLE
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Let us know how we can help you

