



## 5 Things You Can Do to Help Your Defense

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Here are 5 very important things you can do to help your case.

- Stay connected with our office.** Make sure our office always has your current address, email address, and phone numbers.
- Know who to speak with—and who NOT to speak with.** Your relationship with us is private and confidential, so be open and honest with us. But don't speak with anyone else about your case unless we both agree you should, as those conversations are probably NOT confidential.
- Be responsible.** People with charges can either help or hurt themselves by the way they live during their cases. Avoid any arrests or contact with witnesses. Use your good judgment (and your **Defense Map**) to make the best decisions possible in your life now.
- As soon as possible—today or tomorrow, if possible—complete the work on [DefenseMap.com](https://www.defensemap.com).** This free confidential tool gives clients much better chances to work with their attorneys for the best results possible.
  1. This work usually takes 2-4 hours. You can use any Internet-connected computer or tablet or any smart phone, and you can log on and off as much as you want.
  2. You can open your account (a) from the link in the email we may have the website send to you or (b) from at the Register/Log In link on the homepage.
  3. When you are finished, you'll be taken to a Conclusion Page—and from there, please use the simple link in Paragraph C to put your Map on our Account. If the website asks you for an email address for us, just enter this: [email address of attorney or staff person]. Please also call or email [name and contact] immediately to say you finished.
  4. It's a good idea to print out and read your **Defense Map** (a) to prepare for your next meeting and (b) to see if you want to log back on to add more information.
  5. Keep your **Defense Map** private/confidential—it is only for you and [your attorney/me].
- Always let me know if you have any questions—today or anytime in the future.**