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**Re: When your college-age son gets charged with intoxication manslaughter, how do you get probation after he has admitted to the arresting officer that he “just drank a case of beer”?**

Dear Fellow Attorney:

One secret to winning an intoxication manslaughter, to over-simplify it, is that the intoxication must not be a cause; it must be the cause of the death.

If you can get a top-flight accident reconstruction expert to find another likely cause of the accident, you can argue that, even sober, the accident would have probably occurred.

That, coupled with innovative pretrial motions, 50 letters of good character references, no prior criminal record, immediate enrollment into an alcohol rehabilitation treatment center, etc., can result in your client going home rather than to the penitentiary.

I am available for consultation in criminal cases. For some of my professional information, see [www.mcmclaw.com](http://www.mcmclaw.com).

Cordially,

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