

MISDEMEANORS VS. FELONIES IN ILLINOIS



The difference between a misdemeanor and a felony charge is very serious, not only in the punishments and fines someone might face, but also in the employment, housing and educational opportunities they might have.

MISDEMEANORS

Considered “lesser” crimes. Punishable by fines and up to one year of imprisonment.

MISDEMEANOR CHARGES INCLUDE:

- BATTERY
- DUI
- PROSTITUTION
- THEFT OF SMALLER AMOUNTS
- SOME DRUG POSSESSION CHARGES



FELONIES

Taken more seriously by the justice system. Punishable by fines and more than one year of imprisonment.

FELONY CHARGES INCLUDE:

- CRIMINAL SEXUAL ASSAULT
- POSSESSION OF HEROIN OR COCAINE, AMONG OTHER DRUGS
- ARSON
- THEFT OF GREATER AMOUNTS
- MURDER OR ATTEMPTED MURDER



A criminal record of any kind can impact someone’s opportunities in life, but felonies often present much bigger challenges.

Whatever crime you’re accused of, it’s imperative that you contact an experienced criminal defense attorney to get to work on your case immediately.

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