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What are the Potential Defenses to Domestic Violence Charges?

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- If you have been wrongly accused of committing an act of domestic violence, a strong domestic violence defense is essential in protecting your reputation and freedom.
- Here are some tips from the domestic violence defense attorneys at **The Law Offices of Joel Silberman, LLC** on some potential defenses to domestic violence charges:





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Wrong Suspect

- Defend yourself by establishing that someone else was responsible for the abuse and not you.
- Present evidence as to whether you were near the scene of the alleged incident and if you had a reliable alibi.





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Self-defense

- Make a claim that your action was in self-defense or to protect your children.

A claim of self defense may work if:

- You reasonably perceived an imminent threat.
- You had a proportional response.
- You were not the initial aggressor.





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Deliberate False Allegations

- To turn away a conviction stemming from false allegations, your defense attorney will try to search for inconsistencies in the accuser's story by comparing it to police records and witness accounts.





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Lack of Proof

- It is the strongest defense in a domestic violence case.
- You cannot be convicted until and unless the prosecutor meets the requisite burden of proof.





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Consent

- Although very uncommon, if the accuser gave consent to act, that same consent may work as a defense against a domestic violence charge.





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