

ATLANTA, GA, September 25, 2013 **/24-7PressRelease/** -- In a new statement to the press, the legal team at Montlick & Associates, Attorneys at Law reviews some of the leading causes of driver distraction--and some of them are surprising. While it is generally known that talking on a cell phone, texting, or checking social media sites while behind the wheel can prove dangerously distracting, a new [study](#)

reported by Psych Central says that even the choice of music made by the driver can potentially lead to life-threatening errors. The study notes that this is particularly true among teenagers.

In its new press statement, Montlick & Associates reviews the findings and the implications of this new study. "This study presents a paradigm shift for the way many people think about driver distraction," remarks David R. Montlick, who founded the firm. "The prevailing wisdom is that anything that removes the driver's hands from the wheel or eyes from the road is a driver distraction and therefore a potential threat. As such, even something like fumbling with the radio dial can prove hazardous. What this study suggests is that anything that offers cognitive distraction can be dangerous, and that includes the type of music listened to in the vehicle."

The study, as reported by Psych Central, was conducted by researchers in Israel. The basic finding is that teen drivers who choose their own music while driving are more likely to commit driving errors and miscalculations, some of which can prove quite dangerous, even lethal.

"The study found that male drivers in particular make more frequent and serious mistakes when listening to their preferred music than their less aggressive, female counterparts," Psych Central reports.

The study reveals that teens who listen to their preferred music almost always--in 98 percent of the cases studies--make at least three "deficient driving behaviors" in at least one of the trips they take.

These errors include speeding, tailgating, passing vehicles carelessly, switching lanes carelessly and driving with just one hand.

When driving to music that they did not select--or driving to no music at all--teenagers proved far less likely to make these errors. Says the report, "When listening to music, 92 percent made errors. However, when driving with an alternative music background [...] deficient driving behaviors decreased by 20 percent, the researchers report."

Montlick Associates Reviews Shocking Causes of Driver Distraction

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"This is not necessarily meant to say that teens should never listen to music in the car, though we do believe parents and teens should make prudent decisions together that ultimately put safety first," Montlick comments. "Montlick & Associates reviews many highway accident cases, and we know that driver distraction is a leading cause of injury, property damage and death on the highway."

Montlick & Associates reviews distracted driving cases on behalf of clients from across Georgia and the southeast.

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