

**602.10119 Unlawful retention of money.**

An attorney who receives the money or property of a client in the course of the attorney's professional business, and refuses to pay or deliver it in a reasonable time, after demand, is guilty of a theft and punished accordingly.

[C51, §1627; R60, §2717; C73, §224; C97, §330; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §10927; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §610.21]

[83 Acts, ch 186, §10202\(2\)](#)

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