

## Attorney Jeramie Gertz Dissuades Distracted Drivers

*Jeramie Gertz, founder of the [Law Office of Jeramie Gertz, PLLC](#), in light of a January 21, 2016, [Insurance & Risk Management Knowledge Alliance](#) article, examines the spike in distracted-driver accident rates.*

San Antonio, TX ([PRWEB](#)) January 28, 2016 -- “Distracted driving is one of the most serious health problems facing the United States,” said personal injury attorney Jeramie Gertz, examining the spike in distracted-driver accident rates. “In fact, according to the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#), every day nine people are killed and another 1,153 people are injured in crashes that involve at least one distracted driver.”

Distractions while driving come in many forms, including grooming, eating and reading anything from a map to a book. At the top of the list, however, is the use of a cell phone while driving, whether talking or texting. According to the January 21, 2016 [Insurance & Risk Management Knowledge Alliance](#) article, at any given daylight moment across the United States, approximately 660,000 drivers are using cell phones or manipulating electronic devices while driving.

The article further states that using a cell phone while driving reduces brain activity associated with driving by 37%, and the majority of Americans (88.5%) believe that a driver talking on a cell phone represents a threat to their personal safety. In 2012, the article further reports, cell phone use was noted on police reports as a contributing factor in 3,283 Texas crashes, including 35 fatalities and 640 serious injuries. As for texting, drivers who are texting while driving are eight times more likely to be in a crash or near-crash as drivers who are not texting.

“The bottom line is that it is crucial to avoid any distractions while driving,” said Gertz. “It is also important to remember that you are almost certainly sharing the road with distracted drivers, so always stay alert and drive defensively.”

About Jeramie Gertz, Law Office of Jeramie Gertz, PLLC

Jeramie Gertz is a member of the College of the State Bar of Texas, an achievement attained by fewer than 10 percent of Texas lawyers. He is also a member of the San Antonio Trial Lawyers Association, the San Antonio Bar Association, the American Bar Association and the National Organization of Social Security Claimants’ Representatives. The Law Office of Jeramie Gertz [practice areas](#) include Personal Injury, Consumer Protection, Social Security Disability, Wills, Estate Planning and Probate. For more information, please call (210) 807-4444, or follow them on [Facebook](#). The law office is located at 300 Convent Street, Suite 1330, San Antonio, TX 78205.



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