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**OWI-4th within Five Years
545th Repeat Offender since January 2010**



Milwaukee, WI – Milwaukee County Sheriff's deputies arrested a drunk driver at about 11:30 p.m. last night after stopping the vehicle for speeding southbound on S. 84th Street from I-94.

Richard P. Williams, age 46, of West Allis, performed poorly on standardized field sobriety tests. The result of his PBT was .17, more than twice the legal limit. His prior OWI convictions were in June 2001, July 2001, and April 2009. His driver's license is currently revoked due to previous OWI convictions.

Williams was issued citations for OWI-4th offense within 5 years, Unreasonable and Imprudent Speed, and Operating with a Revoked License – Alcohol-related. He faces up to six years in prison on the felony OWI-4th offense within 5 years.

Wisconsin Act 100 strengthened Wisconsin's drunk driving laws. The provisions of Act 100 apply to violations that occur on or after July 1, 2010. Under the law, a fourth offense Operating While Intoxicated (OWI) becomes a felony if it occurs within five years of an earlier offense.

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