DWI rule overturned

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The case of a Kenai woman convicted for driving while intoxicated has been overturned by the Alaska Supreme Court because the law banning driving while "under the combined influence of intoxicating liquor and another substance" is unconstitutionally vague.

Terry Williford had challenged her conviction on the DWI charge, claiming the law did not give adequate notice of what substances, when combined with alcohol, could make a person criminally liable.

A separate provision of the law prohibits driving while under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs, and a person partially affected by alcohol could be convicted under that law.