

Willful Blindness Law & Legal Definition

Willful blindness is a term used in criminal law to refer to the acts of a person who intentionally fails to be informed about matters that would make the person criminally liable. It describes an attempt to avoid civil or criminal liability for a wrongful act by intentionally putting oneself in a position to be unaware of facts which create liability.

If there is knowledge that you could have had, should have had but chose not to have, you are still responsible. Then and now, willful blindness is a concept that should send shivers down the spines of any Judge.