



## “It could never happen to me.”

**Grady McClendon**, 53, his wife, two of their adult children and two grand children were in a rented car returning home to Florida after attending a family reunion in Dublin, Georgia. McClendon made a wrong turn on a one-way street. Local police stopped him, checked his ID and asked permission search his car. He agreed. Within minutes, police pulled open suitcases and purses, emptying

out jewelry and about 10 Florida state lottery tickets. They also found a registered handgun.

The police say they found cocaine.

Police detained the family for six hours at the police station seizing \$2,300 in cash and other items as instruments of drug activity and gambling paraphernalia.

Finally, they gave McClendon a traffic ticket and released the family, but kept all their possessions. The

ordeal continued for 11 months until lab results showed no traces of cocaine. It was bubble gum. If you think the Constitution protects you against tragedies like the McClendon's, you're dead wrong. Thanks to the war on drugs, overzealous federal law enforcement can seize your property, even shoot you, and there's virtually nothing you can do about it. In cases such as this, due process and guarantees against unreasonable search and seizure no

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longer apply. And there's nothing you can do about it. Well actually, there is something you can do about it.

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