

Rapper Meek Mill's bust 'outrageous': lawyer

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Rapper Robert Williams aka Meek Mill was arraigned in Manhattan Criminal court. [Steven Hirsch](#)

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The NYPD sent nearly two dozen police cars to arrest Meek Mill “in one of the most outrageous fashions” — all because a video appeared on social media of the rapper riding a dirt bike in Manhattan, his lawyer said Friday.

“I’ve never seen a case like this,” said Joe Tacopina, who was in Manhattan Criminal Court awaiting Mill’s arraignment. “They had 22 police

cars there to arrest Meek Mills on a traffic violation. I mean, I think, when John Gotti was arrested, there were about four police cars.”

Cops said Mill, whose given name is Robert Williams, was riding without a helmet, doing wheelies and putting “himself and others at great risk of injury.”

After the video of the stunt in Inwood surfaced online, cops arrested him Thursday night.

Tacopina said Mill, 30, was busted while at a charity event for the Dyckman Basketball Clinic “with a hundred kids surrounding him taking selfies.”

Only Mill was charged “despite the fact there were eight people doing the same thing,” the lawyer said. “This is a situation where they’re targeting a young black entertainer.”

Cops hit the performer with a felony reckless endangerment rap, but Tacopina said the Manhattan District Attorney’s Office is only prosecuting him on a misdemeanor.

Additional reporting by Joe Tacopino