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Wisconsin native **Bob Mionske** has penned a remarkably thoughtful exploration of the conflicts between motorists and cyclists, and the road rage phenomenon.

A former Olympic cyclist, Mionske has been practicing law in Portland since 1999 and [recently authored](#) *Bicycling and the Law*.

He turned his solid research abilities onto the subject of road rage for [this piece](#) and carries the discussion far beyond the typical name-calling and finger-pointing that often passes for commentary. In his words, it's time for honest introspection and dialog.

To summarize: Mionske explains how some of our basic societal forces push us to identify with cyclists or motorists as our "in-group" or "out-group," how we tend to remember negative encounters, how competition for space on the road affects our attitudes and the reasons motorists feel frustrated.

It's not the quickest read you'll find on the web, so pour an extra cup of coffee and prepare to learn a bit.