



## Who We Are

### About Us

We are a non-profit organization providing those experiencing poverty with legal and health services, as well as inspiring others to do the same in their communities.

### Contact Us

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## If Your Rights Have Been Violated

- If your rights have been violated, please note that police misconduct cannot be challenged on the street. During the situation, try not to physically resist or threaten to file a complaint.
- Write down everything you remember immediately afterwards. Included in the information should be the officer's badge, patrol car numbers, and which agency they were from.
- File a written complaint with the internal affairs division of the agency the officer works at. You can even file a complaint to the civilian complaint board.



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## Your Rights

- You have the right to remain silent. If you wish to exercise that right, tell the officer.
- You have the right to refuse to consent to a search of yourself, your car, or your home if they do not have a warrant.
- If you are not under arrest, you have the right to leave.
- You have the right to a lawyer if arrested. Ask for one immediately.
- Regardless of your immigration or citizenship status, you have constitutional rights.

### You do not have to consent to a search of yourself or your belongings.

This is true, but police may “pat down” your clothing if they suspect a weapon. Try to not physically resist, but you may refuse consent for any further search. Be aware that if you do consent, it may affect you later in court.

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*“To deny people their rights is to challenge their very humanity.” ~Nelson Mandela*

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## Your Responsibilities When Stopped

- Try to stay calm and be polite to the police.
- Do not interfere or obstruct the officer.
- Do not lie to the officer or try to provide false documents for any reason.
- Just in case, remember the details of the encounter.
- If you feel your rights have been violated, file a written or complaint or call the local ACLU.



## In Case You Are Arrested

- Do not try to resist arrest even though you might believe it to be unfair.
- Say you wish to remain silent and ask for your right to a lawyer. You do not have to give any explanations or excuses; these rights are explicitly written within the Constitution. If you can't pay for a lawyer, one will be provided for you for free.
- You have the right to make a local phone call and the police cannot listen if you call your lawyer.
- Some considerations for noncitizens: (1) Ask your lawyer about how a criminal conviction or plea can affect you immigration status, and (2) Read all papers fully. If you cannot understand the papers, ask for an interpreter.