Know Your Rights: A Citizen's Guide

This guide provides basic information about your fundamental rights as a citizen. Understanding your rights is essential for protecting yourself in various situations.

Freedom of Speech

You have the right to express your opinions freely without fear of government censorship. However, this right is not absolute and does not protect speech that incites immediate lawless action, contains true threats, or constitutes defamation.

Right to Privacy

You have a right to privacy in certain contexts. This includes privacy in your home, personal communications, and certain personal information. Law enforcement generally needs a warrant to search your home or access your private communications.

Right to Legal Representation

If you are arrested or questioned by police while in custody, you have the right to an attorney. If you cannot afford an attorney, one will be provided for you. You should clearly state that you wish to speak with an attorney if questioned by law enforcement.

Employment Rights

You have the right to work in an environment free from discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, or genetic information. You also have the right to fair wages and safe working conditions.