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A Crime Victim's Guide to Rights

As a victim of a crime in Oregon, you have the right to be treated with dignity and respect, and to be free of intimidation, harassment or abuse through the criminal or juvenile justice process. All state and county laws enforcement agencies and courts in Oregon are required to perform certain duties to ensure that you receive your rights.

As a victim, some rights are given to you automatically, and some rights need to be requested by you. These rights apply after an arrest. The following is a list of some of the rights that you may request or waive.

- To be notified if the suspect is released from jail (upon request)
- To receive notification of all critical court dates
- To receive notification of sentencing or disposition results
- To be consulted regarding plea negotiations involving any violent felony (upon request)
- To make a victim impact statement to the court during sentencing
- To be heard at pre-trial release hearing and the sentencing or juvenile court delinquency disposition
- To receive notice of a defendant's conviction (or adjudication), acquittal, or the dismissal of charges
- To receive prompt restitution from the convicted criminal who caused the loss or injury
- To refuse an interview, deposition or other discover request by the criminal defendant or other person acting on behalf of the criminal defendant
- To have a copy of a transcript of any court proceeding in open court, if one is otherwise prepared (upon request)
- To obtain information about the conviction, sentence, imprisonment, criminal history and future release from physical custody of the criminal defendant or convicted criminal and equivalent information regarding the alleged youth offender or youth offender.