IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CASE

CASE # _____ OFFICER(S) CONYERS POLICE DEPARTMENT **EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER** (770) 483-6600 **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS** DIVISION (770) 929-4203 DETECTIVE NAME: PHONE: _____

ROCKDALE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Jail – Arrest/Release (770) 278-8200 Warrants Division (770) 278-8000

ADDITIONAL TELEPHONE NUMBERS YOU SHOULD KNOW:

EMERGENCY

911

ROCKDALE COUNTY

District Attorney (770) 278-7990 Victim/Witness Assistance

(770) 278-7961 (770) 278-7965 Juvenile Court (770) 278-7777 Superior Court Clerk (770) 278-7911 State Court Clerk (770) 278-7900 Magistrate Court (770) 278-7800

Temporary Protective Order (Sally Smith) (770) 278-7696

Project ReNeWal (Domestic Violence Shelter) (770) 860-1666

DFACS (770) 388-5025

Child Abuse Hotline 1-800-4A-CHILD 1-800-422-4453

Rockdale Health Department (770) 785-4345

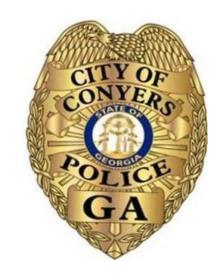
Rockdale Mental Health (770) 918-6677

Gwinnett Sexual Assault Center (770) 476-7407

Victim Compensation Program (404) 657-2222

GOVERNOR'S VICTIM ASSISTANCE HELP LINE 1-800-338-6745

YOUR RIGHTS AS A VICTIM



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YOUR RIGHTS AS A VICTIM

The Georgia Crime Victims Bill of Rights, O.C.G.A. 17-17-1, et seq., provides individuals who are victims of certain crimes specific rights. These rights include:

- The right to reasonable, accurate, and timely notice of any scheduled court proceedings or any changes to such proceedings;
- The right to reasonable, accurate, and timely notice of the arrest, release, or escape of the accused;
- The right not to be excluded from any scheduled court proceedings, except as provided by law;
- The right to be heard at any scheduled court proceedings involving the release, plea, or sentencing of the accused;
- The right to file a written objection in any parole proceedings involving the accused;
- The right to confer with the prosecuting attorney in any criminal prosecution related to the victim;
- The right to restitution as provided by law;
- The right to proceedings free from unreasonable delay; and
- The right to be treated fairly and with dignity by all criminal justice agencies involved in the case.

Intimidation/Threats to Victims

Victims of crimes or witnesses to crimes may encounter threats to their personal safety or to their property as a result of their cooperation with law enforcement agencies.

When these threats are brought to the attention of the Department, and to the extent possible, the Department will attempt to provide advice and assistance to the victim or witness as appropriate to the individual situation.

If the Department becomes aware of danger to a victim or witness, every effort will be made to promptly contact, alert, and offer appropriate assistance / protective measures to the threatened person.

You have the right to be notified when the accused offender is arrested and released.

Accordingly, you must provide the law enforcement agency or court officials with a current telephone number where you can be reached. Notify us of any telephone numbers that change.

If you wish to exercise this right, you must state so to the law enforcement officer or court official with whom you have contact about this case. They will have a brief form for you to complete in order to receive your notification.

Upon receiving your request for notification, efforts will be made to inform you when the alleged offender is arrested, released, or scheduled for any judicial proceeding where the accused's release will be considered, though time may not always permit notification regarding bond hearings.

Going to Court

The Court process can be time consuming and confusing. The Victim/Witness Assistance program provides services to help victims and witnesses through the court process to include the following:

- Explaining the steps of the court process and providing the victim or witness with notice of hearings and status updates.
- Assisting in preparing witnesses for court appearances and proceedings.
- Attend court with victim or witness.
- Provide a safe, secure place for witness to wait before testifying.
- Assist you in getting back your property that is being held as evidence a
- Providing the victim or witness with available community services and resources.
- Provide victim with information regarding the Parole Board.