

THE POSTAL INSPECTION SERVICE /
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL AND YOU

If questioned by a U. S. Postal Inspector and/or OIG Special Agent about your conduct, even if you believe you are not guilty of any wrong-doing, it is suggested you do the following:

1. Remain calm;
2. Correctly identify yourself, if requested to do so;
3. Do not physically resist an arrest or a search of your person or property;
4. Read aloud to the Postal Inspector(s) and/or OIG Special Agent(s) this statement:

"I request the presence of my union representative. If I am a suspect in a criminal matter, please so advise me. If so, I wish to contact my attorney."

(His/Her) name is _____

Telephone number () _____

"If I am under arrest, I request that you so advise me and inform me of the reason or reasons. I will not resist an arrest."

"I do not consent to a search of my person or property. However, I will not physically resist or obstruct such a search. If you have a warrant, I request to see it at this time."

"I will cooperate with you fully, but I do not waive any of my rights, including my right to remain silent. I will not sign a waiver-of-rights form, nor admit or deny any allegations, nor make any written or oral statement unless my attorney and/or union representative are personally present and so advise me."

5. Remain silent until you have consulted with your union representative or attorney, as appropriate. This is not complete advice. Always consult with an attorney.

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If you fear your job and/or rights are in jeopardy make this statement to your manager:

"If this discussion could in any way lead to my being disciplined or terminated, I respectfully request that my union steward be present at the meeting. Without representation, I choose not to answer any questions."

NOTE: Ask specifically if this is an investigative or pre-disciplinary interview.