

Victims' Bill of Rights Requirements for Prosecutors

The Prosecutor has several requirements under the Victims' Bill of Rights. The listing below specifies each requirement.

- ① ***The prosecutor shall confer with a victim before amending or dismissing a charge or agreeing to a negotiated plea or pretrial diversion. (§9405)***

- ② ***After a prosecution is commenced by the Attorney General, they shall promptly inform a victim of:***
 - A ***Procedural steps in the processing of a criminal case,***
 - B ***Rights under the Victims' Bill of Rights,***
 - C ***Procedures if a victim is threatened or harassed,***
 - D ***Victim compensation information when appropriate,***
 - E ***Notice of the crime(s) of which the defendant is convicted,***
 - F ***Notice of the specifics of any sentencing order,***
 - G ***Notice of sentence reduction or modification order, and***
 - H ***Notice of a reversal upon appeal of a conviction.***
 - I ***Notice of court proceedings in the Court of Common Pleas, Family Court, Justice of the Peace Courts and Superior Court. (§9411)***

- ③ **Unless a victim waives confidentiality in writing, neither a law-enforcement agency, the prosecutor, nor the corrections department may disclose, except among themselves or as authorized by law, the residential address, telephone number or place of employment of the victim or a member of the victim's family, except to the extent that disclosure is of the site of the crime, is required by law or the Rules of Criminal Procedure, is necessary for law-enforcement purposes, or is permitted by the court for good cause. (§9403)**