CHILDREN HAVE THESE ADDITIONAL RIGHTS

1. You have the right to protection from physical or emotional abuse.

2. You have the right not to feel responsible for what has happened to you. It is not your fault and no one should try to make you think it is.

3. You have the right not to be interviewed more than is necessary about what happened to you.

4. You have a right to know what programs and people can help you.

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Victims' Bill of Rights

YOUR RIGHTS AS A VICTIM OR WITNESS OF A CRIME ARE IMPORTANT

THE UTAH LEGISLATURE PASSED A VICTIMS' BILL OF RIGHTS IN 1987 AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION IN 1994 TO ENSURE ALL VICTIMS AND WITNESSES OF A CRIME, ESPECIALLY CHILDREN, ARE TREATED WITH COURTESY AND SENSITIVITY

THE LAW LISTS SOME OF YOUR RIGHTS

1. ***Threats***
   It is a crime for anyone to threaten you or to hurt you because of your testimony. You have a right to know what to do if you are threatened. You have the right to be treated with dignity and respect.

2. ***Your Role***
   You have a right to know what you are expected to do as a witness. We will explain it to you.

3. ***Your Case***
   You have a right to know what is happening in your case. We will keep you informed and we will explain each legal step so you will understand what is going on in your case.

4. ***Safe Place***
   You have a right to be in a safe place when you are waiting for court. We will show you where to wait for your turn to testify.

5. ***Restitution***
   You have a right to be paid for medical expenses and other losses that result from a violent crime. We can tell you about the restitution laws in Utah and whether you should apply for help from the Crime Victims' Reparation Board.

6. ***Getting Your Property Back***
   You have the right to retrieve any of your property that has been taken as evidence when it is no longer needed as evidence.

7. ***Job Problems***
   If serving as a witness causes problems with your job, you have a right to assistance from us. You may ask us to talk to your employer to explain your duty as a witness. We will try to avoid conflicts with your work, but when we cannot, we will try to make your time in court as short as possible.

8. ***Speedy End to the Case***
   You have the right to have your case completed quickly. We will do what we can to get a speedy disposition of the case.

9. ***Timely Notice***
   You have a right to timely notice of all court dates. If the case is canceled or postponed, we will let you know as soon as possible.

10. ***Speak to the Judge***
    You have the right to be present during all court proceedings - and to speak to the judge in the proceeding.

11. ***Testimony Requirements***
    You may not be required to testify at the preliminary hearing.