



Crime Victim Bill of Rights

The Illinois Constitution* and Illinois law** give crime victims certain rights. You have the right to:

- Be treated with fairness and respect.
- Be notified of all court hearings and any changes in your case.
- Talk to the prosecutor.
- Make a statement at sentencing.
- Be notified if the offender is convicted, sentenced, imprisoned and released.
- Have the case decided as soon as possible after the offender is arrested.
- Be protected from the offender before, during, and after the trial.
- Be at court hearings unless a judge decides you should not be in the courtroom while a witness is testifying.
- Have an advocate with you in the courtroom.
- Be paid for loss or injury by the offender if the offender is found guilty.

*Illinois Constitution Article I, §8.1; ** 725 ILCS 120/4

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