

## INFORMATION FOR VICTIMS AND WITNESSES OF FEDERAL CRIME

The role of the United States Attorney's Office is to prosecute cases fairly and justly. Our actions on your behalf do not constitute an attorney-client relationship and we cannot give you legal advice. The interests of the United States may occasionally diverge from your interests as a victim.

## LIMITED CONFIDENTIALITY STATEMENT

We are here to assist you as you go through the criminal justice process. However, you should know that we work as part of a team with the criminal prosecutor and the investigative case agent. We do our best to keep sensitive information confidential. There may however be times when we need to share information you provide with other prosecution team members. This is especially important if you share information regarding your safety, a medical emergency, information that relates to child abuse, and/or information that is critical to the investigation or prosecution of the case.

## ASSISTANCE & SERVICES

- Notification of case events, usually by letter or E-mail, through the Department of Justice Victim Notification System.
- Information regarding social services, counseling, treatment or support programs.
- Information regarding Indiana's Violent Crime Compensation Fund.
- A separate waiting area way from the defendant and defense witnesses.
- Courtroom support.

You may visit the District's website at [www.justice.gov/usao-ndin](http://www.justice.gov/usao-ndin), or contact a Victim-Witness program staff member at the phone numbers listed below, for information regarding the Federal criminal justice process, resources for victims of crime, courthouse locations and directions, and information regarding assistance with travel and lodging related to your attendance at hearings for which you have been subpoenaed.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

### Victim-Witness Program

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