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VENTURA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

THE VICTIMS' BILL OF RIGHTS ACT OF 2008

Marsy's Card and Resources

To provide victims with rights to justice and due process

Officer's Name:	<input type="text"/>	Telephone:	<input type="text"/>
Prosecutor's Name:	<input type="text"/>	Telephone:	<input type="text"/>
Defendant's Name:	<input type="text"/>	Date of Birth:	<input type="text"/>
Police Report No.:	<input type="text"/>	Superior Court Case No.:	<input type="text"/>

On November 4, 2008, the People of the State of California approved Proposition 9, the Victims' Bill of Rights Act of 2008: Marsy's Law. This measure amended the California Constitution to provide additional rights to victims. This card contains specific sections of the Victims' Bill of Rights and resources. Crime victims may obtain additional information regarding Marsy's Law and Local Victim Witness Assistance Center information by contacting the Attorney General's Victim Services Unit at 1-877-433-9069.

A 'victim' is defined under the California Constitution as "a person who suffers direct or threatened physical, psychological, or financial harm as a result of the commission or attempted commission of a crime or delinquent act. The term 'victim' also includes the person's spouse, parents, children, siblings, or guardian, and includes a lawful representative of a crime victim who is deceased, a minor, or physically or psychologically incapacitated. The term 'victim' does not include a person in custody for an offense, the accused, or a person whom the court finds would not act in the best interests of a minor victim." (Cal. Const., art. 1 § 28(e).)

Local Resources

Ventura County District Attorney's Crime Victims' Assistance Division: (805) 654-3622 (to request notice and confer with the prosecuting agency regarding the charges filed; to be informed before any pretrial disposition of the case; information on the right to be heard at any court hearing; assistance with restitution claims; assistance in obtaining domestic violence restraining orders; and assistance in applying for Victims of Crime Compensation)

Ventura County District Attorney's Office, East County Office: (805) 306-7926 (assistance in obtaining domestic violence restraining orders - East County)

Ventura County District Attorney's Office (805) 654-2500 (ask for assigned Deputy District Attorney regarding release of property)

Ventura County Jail: (805) 654-3335 (county jail inmate custody & release information)

Ventura County Probation Dept.: (805) 654-2132 (juvenile custody & release information)

Calif. Dept. of Corrections & Rehabilitation: (877) 256-6877 (state prison inmate custody, release, escape & death information; notice of parole procedures)

Ventura County Superior Court Website: www.ventura.courts.ca.gov (information on filed criminal cases; you need the defendant's name and DOB)

The Coalition to End Family Violence: (800) 300-2181 (domestic violence emergency shelter and counseling; rape crisis)

Interface Children and Family Services: (800) 636-6738 (domestic violence emergency shelter and counseling)

General referrals: Dial 211 for information and referral services. www.211Ventura.org

Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board: 1-800-777-9229
www.victimcompensation.ca.gov