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and thoroughly.**

Included in this brochure is a tear-off postcard. If you wish to assert your rights as a victim, you must tear off the card, complete the information requested, and mail it to the Apache Junction City Prosecutor's Office prior to the court date specified on the card.

**If you are seeking restitution, you
must provide medical bills, receipts,
estimates or any other proof of
economic loss.**

If you have questions, please call (480)
474-2604

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YOUR VICTIM'S RIGHTS

**This brochure contains
important information
about your rights as a
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YOUR RIGHTS

As a victim of crime, you have the following rights:

- ▶ to be notified of the date, time and place of court hearings involving the defendant;
- ▶ to be notified of the release or escape of the defendant from custody;
- ▶ to be told the name, address and phone number of the prosecutor's office handling the case;
- ▶ to be told if a prosecutor decides NOT to proceed with a prosecution and to be given the reasons;
- ▶ to refuse a defense interview, and to set reasonable conditions for any such interview you choose to grant;
- ▶ to have the defendant or his/her agent make contact with you only through the prosecutor's office;
- ▶ to name a representative to exercise your rights if you are unable to do so;
- ▶ to be present for all criminal proceedings at which the defendant has a right to be present;
- ▶ to take unpaid leave from your employment to attend court proceedings relating to the crime committed against you if you work for an employer with 50 or more employees;

▶ to exercise your right to be heard through oral, written or taped statement;

▶ to have your home address, employer's name and address withheld from disclosure to the defendant or his/her attorney;

▶ to be protected from unnecessary contact with the defendant, his/her family and witnesses;

▶ to confer with the prosecutor and be heard at any proceeding involving the release of the defendant from custody, before a change of plea, and before trial;

▶ to ask the court to revoke the bond or personal recognizance release if the prosecution has not made such a request and there have been threats or harassment by the defendant;

▶ to be told of defendant's release and any hearings regarding release;

▶ to contest a negotiated plea if efforts were not made to notify you beforehand;

▶ to be present in the courtroom;

▶ to be accompanied by a support person of your choice;

▶ to be heard at sentencing and to give evidence at any sentencing proceeding;

▶ to have the court order the defendant to pay restitution for your economic loss.

VICTIM'S RIGHTS REQUEST FORM

If you wish to assert your rights as a victim, you must fill out this panel, detach it, and return it to the City Prosecutor's Office. If you do not return this card, we will consider your rights waived.

I wish to assert my rights to confer with the prosecutor and to be notified of all proceedings.

Name

Address

City, State

ZIP

Phone

Amount of Restitution Requested

I understand that my case is known as: ***State of Arizona v.*** _____, and that there is a pre-trial conference scheduled for _____, 20____, at ____:00 a.m. in the Apache Junction City Court.

I understand I must keep my address and phone number current with this office. Failure to do so is considered a waiver of my rights.

I understand that if I am seeking restitution, I must provide proof of economic loss.