

Victim/Witness Intimidation Survey¹

Case Information

Case Name: _____

Case Number: _____

Date of Incident: _____

Date of Arrest: _____

Victim/Witness Information

Name: _____

DOB: _____ Race: _____ Gender: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Email: _____

Social Media Contact Info (Instagram, Twitter, Facebook, etc.): _____

Emergency Contact: _____

- Phone number: _____

- Address: _____

- Email: _____

¹ This survey was developed for Hawai'i County and has been adapted to be used as a template for a wider audience.

Primary Language: _____

Translator need or requested?: Yes _____ No _____

The questions below should be answered by the victim or witness with the help of an advocate. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

1. What is your relationship to the Defendant?

<input type="checkbox"/> Stranger	<input type="checkbox"/> Intimate partner ²	<input type="checkbox"/> Acquaintance
<input type="checkbox"/> Family member	<input type="checkbox"/> Professional relationship ³	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:

2. Have you spoken to anyone about this criminal case? (check all that apply)

	<input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement	<input type="checkbox"/> Defendant	<input type="checkbox"/> Defendant's lawyer	<input type="checkbox"/> Defendant's friends/family/allies	<input type="checkbox"/> Medical staff/doctors	<input type="checkbox"/> Friends/family
When?						
Form of contact						

3. Do you fear retaliation⁴ from the Defendant or others if you help the police with this case?
Yes _____ No _____

4. Have you experienced any of the following as a result of your participation in this case? (check all that apply)

² An intimate partner can be your wife or husband, ex-wife or ex-husband, boyfriend or girlfriend, ex-boyfriend or ex-girlfriend, a sexual partner, or someone you share a child with.

³ You can have a professional relationship with your doctor, your therapist or counselor, a clergy member at your church, a teacher, someone you work with, or your boss.

⁴ Retaliation can include the defendant or his associates/family/friends threatening you, causing physical harm to you or others, spreading rumors about you or others, destroying your property, or causing any other harm to you to try and stop you from participating in the case.



<input type="checkbox"/> Financial difficulties/ withholding of funds ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> Violence to you or others	<input type="checkbox"/> Isolation from friends or family	<input type="checkbox"/> Harassment ⁶ or stalking
<input type="checkbox"/> Property damage/theft	<input type="checkbox"/> Bribery	<input type="checkbox"/> Emotional manipulation or abuse ⁷	<input type="checkbox"/> Social disapproval

5. Has the Defendant or their friends, family, or associates threatened you or a loved one in any way? (check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Threat of violence/ physical harm	<input type="checkbox"/> Threat to have you fired from your job	<input type="checkbox"/> Threat to accuse you of a crime or call the police on you	<input type="checkbox"/> Threat to tell a secret of yours
<input type="checkbox"/> Threat of deportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Threat to destroy important documents (ID, social security, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Threat to spread rumors about you or a loved one	<input type="checkbox"/> Threat to sue you for child custody
<input type="checkbox"/> Threat to sue you for defamation of character	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:		

6. Has anyone asked you not to come to court or suggested that the case would be dropped if you didn't come to court?

⁵ This includes an instances of an offender stating that the court costs, attorney costs, fines, lost employment, etc., would prevent them from meeting financial obligations such as household support, alimony, child support, and others.

⁶ Harassment is behavior targeted at you that is meant to alarm, annoy, torment, or terrorize you or to cause you to fear for your safety or the safety of your family. Harassment can be in person, by phone, by letter, through social media, or through other means.

⁷ Emotional manipulation or abuse can include calling you names, insulting you, or constantly criticizing you; telling you that you are breaking the family up; promising to change if you do not go to court; monitoring your activities with or without your knowledge, including demanding to know where you go; humiliating you in any way, especially in front of others; gaslighting you by pretending not to understand or refusing to listen to you; questioning your memory of facts, events, or sources; making you feel as if your needs or feelings aren't important; or denying previous statements or promises.



If explain who, how, and when: _____

7. Have you received any anonymous or hang up calls since the Defendant was arrested?
Yes _____ No _____

8. Has the Defendant called you from jail?
Yes _____ No _____

If yes, did it occur more than once? _____

If yes, did the Defendant call you from a prison account or a cell phone?

If yes, were you worried what the Defendant would do if you did not accept the call? If so, what?

If yes, what did the Defendant say? _____

9. Does the Defendant have access to weapons?
Yes _____ No _____

If yes, what weapons? _____

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