

ALABAMA CRIME VICTIMS RIGHTS

Your Rights & How to Use Them



Alabama law recognizes that crime victims deserve dignity, respect, information, and a meaningful voice in the criminal justice process. These protections are guaranteed by the Alabama Constitution and the Alabama Crime Victims' Rights Act (Title 15, Chapter 23 of the Code of Alabama).

Rights Guaranteed to Crime Victims in Alabama

Under Alabama law, crime victims have the right to:

1. Be Treated with Fairness and Respect
2. Receive Information About Your Case
3. Be Present at Court Proceedings
4. Be Heard at Critical Stages
5. Protection from the Accused
6. Receive Information About Restitution
7. Prompt Return of Property
8. Notification of Offender Custody Status
9. Access to Victim Services

How to Invoke Your Rights

Victims' rights in Alabama are not automatic—they must be affirmatively requested.

Step 1: Complete a Victim Notification Form

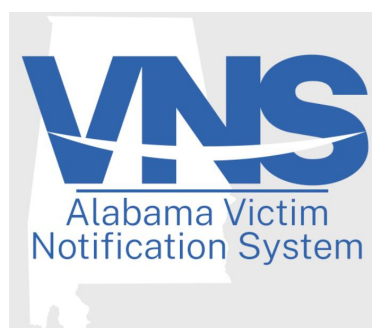
Step 2: Keep Contact Information Updated

Step 3: Communicate with your Prosecutor

Step 4: Participate as Desired

YOU MUST INVOKE YOUR RIGHTS IN WRITING. A SAMPLE LETTER IS AVAILABLE USING THE QR CODE LINK BELOW.

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