

Western States Legal Foundation

Civil Liberties Resources

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Find these links and more on the Western States Legal Foundation Civil Liberties and Government Secrecy page, www.wslfweb.org/civlib.htm

American Civil Liberties Union www.aclu.org

Extensive information and opportunities for citizen action on civil liberties issues.

ACLU of Northern California www.aclunc.org/

ACLU of Northern California post-9/11 Resources page acluweb.best.vwh.net/911/

Includes information on new INS registration deadlines, know your rights pamphlets, and other useful information.

ACLU Pamphlet, Know Your Rights: What to do if you are stopped by the police, the FBI or the INS <http://www.aclunc.org/911/rights.html>

Available in English, Spanish, Arabic, Hindi, Urdu, Punjabi and Farsi

ACLU of Northern California Legal hotline: 415-621-2488

Information and legal referrals on civil liberties and immigration issues.

National Lawyers' Guild Know Your Rights page
www.nlg.org/resources/know_your_rights.htm

Excellent page of references, including a handbook on basic rights if the police or FBI come to your door. The handbook is available in English, Spanish, Portuguese, Arabic, Farsi, and Punjabi on-line. This page also has a list of organizations that will provide referrals to lawyers in civil liberties cases.

National Lawyers' Guild Post-9/11 page www.nlg.org/post911/

Information on a variety of topics relevant to the impacts on legal rights and government openness of the U.S. government's "war on terror."

National Lawyers Guild San Francisco Bay Area Chapter www.nlg.org/sf/

Main number: 415-285-5067

NLG Bay Area Legal Hotline: 415-285-1041

Staffed with attorneys and legal workers to provide information about the legal rights of people faced with post September 11 INS detentions, FBI calls and visits, and grand jury subpoenas.

Demonstrations committee hot line: 415-285 -1055

Information, assistance, and legal referrals for demonstrators. The NLG San Francisco Bay Area Chapter Demonstrations committee also offers legal observer trainings to activist groups.

Center for Constitutional Rights www.ccr-ny.org

Includes an analysis of the “Patriot Act” and its impact on constitutional rights in the United States, materials on military tribunals and detainees, the law of war, and more.

Bill of Rights Defense Committee <http://www.bordc.org/>

Originating with a Massachusetts effort to pass resolutions urging state and local governments to use their powers where possible to protect residents against repressive federal government measures such as the Patriot Act, this project now maintains a web site with a variety of useful civil liberties materials. It includes resources on how to pass a resolution supporting civil liberties in your town, and links to a variety of legal information and commentary on the erosion of civil liberties resulting from the approach taken by the U.S. government to its open-ended “war on terror.”

Electronic Frontier Foundation www.eff.org

EFF focuses on privacy and free speech issues relevant to electronic media.

The Justice Department's Proposal for Expansion of Anti-Terrorism Act

The draft of this proposal was obtained by the **Center for Public Integrity**. Their report, and a downloadable copy of the proposal, can be found at www.publicintegrity.org/dtaweb/report.asp?ReportID=502&L1=10&L2=10&L3=0&L4=0&L5=0 ">"Patriot Act II