

# Jail Support Form

Privileged and Confidential - This form is being collected for use by my attorneys in anticipated litigation. This form should and will be destroyed after release from jail. Exact last name and birth date (questions 1 and 2) are the most useful for tracking people in custody. **(Do not bring this to the protest. The form is voluntary and you may leave any questions blank. Give it to a friend or affinity group support person. See back for instructions.)**

1. Exact legal name & preferred name:

2. Date of birth:

3. Address:

4. Gender identity:

5. Email:

6. Citizenship/Immigration Status:

7. Phone # - Cell:

Phone # - Home/Other:

8. Medical concerns and doctor's contact information (Medications, illnesses, diet):

9. Other concerns: (Anything that could complicate your time in custody)

10. Who do you want me to call if you get arrested or if there's an emergency?

*Name*

*Phone #*

*Connection to you*

*What should I tell them?*

*Name*

*Phone #*

*Connection to you*

*What should I tell them?*

11. People who can verify your community ties. (For getting released if you don't get cited out)

*Name*

*Phone #*

*Work:*

*School:*

*Home:*

*Other:*

## Instructions for Jail Support Form

If you plan to risk arrest at all, complete this form and give it to someone you trust who will NOT be at the protests, like a friend, roommate, or affinity group support person. **DO NOT BRING IT TO THE PROTESTS.** If you don't have such a person, AND there's something that may complicate your time in custody or release (like gender identity, medical conditions, citizenship), email it to [shannon@dnc-plp.org](mailto:shannon@dnc-plp.org). You can still do direct action if you don't fill out the form; call the People's Law Project at 303-830-0277 when and if you get arrested and we will track you in jail and help get you out, if need be. **The form is voluntary and you may leave any of the questions blank.** The purpose of the form is to have information available that may help if you're arrested. Don't write anything that could be used as evidence against you.

The first four questions on this form are also booking questions. Answering them in jail will probably speed up your release. For any other questions cops ask you, say, "I'm going to remain silent. I want to see a lawyer."

**1. Name (Booking)** - Lawyers usually need your name or some other identifying information to visit you in jail.

**2. D.O.B. (Booking)** - Your support person should not reveal your age to the jail. If you're under eighteen you may be moved to a juvenile detention facility, even if you'd rather stay with your friends in the adult jail.

**3. Address (Booking)** - A judge may release you with no bail if you give a verifiable local address. See #10.

**4. Gender identity (Booking)** - Your gender will usually be assigned by what the arresting agency believes your gender to be. Generally you will be kept in custody with people of that gender. It is useful for your legal support to know where you may be housed. Some jails have policies for transgender people but most do not. *If you believe that you will face discrimination because of your gender please put this on the form.*

**5. Citizenship/Immigration status** - You should never reveal this information to law enforcement, on the streets or in jail. It is part of your right to remain silent and you do not have to answer any questions regarding your immigration status. However, it can be useful to let your legal support know your status on this form. (Even if you are a US citizen, you may choose not to answer these questions to make it harder for law enforcement to single out immigrants.)

**6 & 7. Email & Phone** - This will help you organize legal support with the rest of your affinity group.

**8. Medical concerns** - There is a chance you will be in jail for several days. Please indicate any other medical conditions you want your legal support to know about.

**9. Other concerns** - If there are any other reasons your time in custody may be more complicated, or make it likely that you will not be treated like other arrestees, please let your legal support know.

**10. Other people to contact** - Let your legal support know if there is anyone who should be contacted if you are in custody for an extended period. For example: employer, childcare, pet sitter, etc. If you are emailing this to the DASW legal working group, we can't guarantee that we will contact these people, but we'll try.

**11. Community ties** - This question may help your legal support help you get released if you are not cited out. *Note: These people may be called if you get arrested and don't get cited out.*

### **Note to Legal Support Person**

*Collect this information before the action, and **do not bring it to the protests.** If you find out that your friends have been arrested, call the legal support office at 303-830-0277. If there are complications (mistreatment, special charges, etc.), we will contact you to get the information we need. Once your friends have been released, contact us and make sure to destroy this document. More tips on how you can support your friends are at [www.dnc-plp.org](http://www.dnc-plp.org)*