Emergency Telephone Number for USC Students, Staff, and Family if arrested by ICE or Border Patrol

213-534-7518
(use only if arrested or other immigration emergency)

Non-emergency contact information
USC Gould Student, Faculty & Staff Immigrant Legal Advice Project
Tel. 213-740-0497 or 213-740-8326
Email immclinic@law.usc.edu
Web: http://gould.usc.edu/academics/experiential/clinics/immigration/advice/

If you are arrested by ICE or the Border Patrol, you should immediately contact a lawyer before answering any questions or signing any documents.

If you do not already have a lawyer, you (or someone on your behalf) may telephone the USC Immigration Clinic and an Immigration Clinic lawyer will provide you with initial advice. If you are detained in Southern California, if possible, the Immigration Clinic will visit you where you are being detained and provide advice and, if appropriate, legal representation.

When you call the Immigration Clinic, if you leave a message, be sure to leave the following information in your message:

1) Full name; 2) Name under which you have been arrested (if different from Full Name); 3) Date of Birth, 4) Where you are being detained, 5) your DHS “A” number (if available), and 6) Booking Number (if available).

See reverse for information regarding what to do if Stopped or Arrested by ICE or Border Patrol
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You have the right to:

1. Identify yourself with your name.
2. Do not answer any more personal questions.
3. Do not sign any papers.
4. Say that you want to speak to a lawyer.
5. If they attempt to search you, your car, your home, or your belongings, say that you DO NOT consent to the search.
6. If you are arrested you have the right to: - Remain silent - Speak with a lawyer (DO NOT sign anything before this) - Make a call.
7. Tell them if you have a medical condition that requires attention.
8. Tell them if you have a child at home or school who needs care.
9. Remain calm, act respectfully, but be firm and assert your rights.