

# Jail Support Form

Privileged and Confidential - This form is being collected for use by my attorneys in anticipated litigation. It should and will be destroyed after release from jail. *(Do not bring this to the protest. The form is voluntary and you may leave any questions blank. See back page for full instructions.)*

1. Name:

2. Date of birth:

3. Address:

4. "Gender":

5. Citizenship/ Immigration Status:

6. Email:

7. Phone # - Cell:

Phone # - Home/Other:

8. Medical Concerns (Medications, Illnesses, Diet):

9. Other Concerns:

10. Who do you want me to call if you get arrested or 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 [daswsupportform@unsealed.net](mailto:daswsupportform@unsealed.net). You can still do direct action if you don't fill out the form; call 415-285-1011 when and if you get arrested and the legal working group 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 legal support should not reveal your age to the arresting agency. 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 (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 regarding housing 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** - Most activists are cited and released within a few hours of arrest - but you may be in jail for days. Please indicate any other medical conditions you want your legal support to be aware of.

**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 (415-285-1011). If there are complications (mistreatment, special charges, etc.), we will contact you and 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 <http://midnightspecial.net/dasw/legalsupportperson.html>.*