

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS:

I'M A U.S. CITIZEN, WHAT SHOULD I DO IF ICE QUESTIONS, DETAINS OR ARRESTS ME?

DOES ICE HAVE THE RIGHT TO DETAIN OR ARREST U.S. CITIZENS BASED ON IMMIGRATION STATUS?

NO. The immigration law and its rules do not apply to U.S. citizens. ICE agents have deportation authority over non-citizens only.

ICE agents violate the 4th and 5th Amendment of the Constitution if they question, detain or arrest U.S. citizen based on the citizen's race.



I am a U.S. citizen



Tell ICE that you are a U.S. citizen and ICE does not have the authority to detain or arrest you.



Ask to speak to your lawyer. You have the right to speak to your lawyer.



Ask for the ICE agent's name and badge number and save that information.



Consult a lawyer about filing a lawsuit if you are questioned, detained and arrested. ICE and local police that assist ICE may be liable to pay fines and monetary damages for unlawful, questioning, detention and arrest of U.S. citizens.

Go to iAmerica.org for a list of legal service providers.

*This information is not intended as legal advice.