

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

IF ICE AGENTS SHOW UP AT YOUR DOOR

Do not open the door

ICE cannot enter your home without a warrant signed by a judge. Should they try to enter by force, remain calm and do not resist.

Do not sign anything and remain silent

If you are placed under arrest, exercise your right to remain silent and do not sign anything without speaking to a lawyer. If asked about your immigration status, you can refuse to answer but do not lie. Anything you say can be used against you in court.

You have the right to request a lawyer

Even if you do not have a lawyer, you may tell the ICE agents that you wish to speak to one and request a list of pro bono lawyers.

Document

If possible, take video or document information such as employee badge numbers. Make note if ICE interferes with your right to take photos or videos.

Take charge of your situation

If you are worried that ICE will come to your home, find out more about your immigration case.

If you had an encounter with immigration officials and you were given a registration number, you can check to see if you have been ordered removed by calling the Department of Justice at 1-800-898-7180.

Call MALDEF at (213) 629-2512 ext. 141 for more information.