

ARRIVE ALIVE: Avoid the T.R.A.P.S.

*Survival Tips for Police Encounters**

When you encounter an officer, you are not guaranteed fair treatment. The information is intended to aid you to avoid the T.R.A.P.S.

- T** **DON'T GET TRICKED:** Officers can legally lie to you to obtain incriminating information. Don't believe the hype!
- R** **RESPECT:** Listen, control your body language and emotions during your police encounter. Do not have an attitude, resist, run, or argue, even if you believe you are innocent. Don't fight back! Say, "*Yes Sir/No Sir*" "*Yes Ma'am/No Ma'am*"
- A** **FREE ATTORNEY:** (6th Amendment Right) If you are placed under arrest, you are entitled to a free attorney. Ask for one immediately. Say, "*I would like to speak to my attorney.*"
- P** **DON'T GIVE PERMISSION:** (4th Amendment Right) Officers may ask to search you and/or your belongings without a search warrant. Don't consent to a search of your body, home, or vehicle! Say, "*I don't consent to this search.*"
- S** **SILENCE IS GOLDEN:** (5th Amendment Right) Officer may ask you questions after reading you your **Miranda Rights**. Don't speak without an attorney present! Say, "*I wish to remain silent.*"
Miranda Rights: "You have the right to remain silent. Anything you say can and *will* be used against you in a court of law. You have the right to an attorney. If you cannot afford an attorney, one will be provided for you. Do you wish to speak to me"? Say, **NO!!!**

Memorize and share with family and friends.

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