



Witness Threat Assessment Form

(To assess potential threats to witnesses via witness retaliation, intimidation, coercion or undue pressure)



The following form must be completed for every case submitted to the Cuyahoga County Prosecutors Office

_____ (initial/badge #) Presently there are no known risk conditions.

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Information has come to the attention of the Cleveland Division of Police that conditions exist which raise the risk that a witness or their family may be subjected to physical or substantial economic harm or coercion such that information and/or address and/or statement identifying a witness should not be provided to the Defense. The following checklist highlights in part some of those conditions identified.

Police Checklist:

- The present case is a crime of violence and the suspect has a history of violent behavior,
- The suspect has a history of obstruction of justice, retaliation, intimidation, or menacing.
- Threat made by suspect to victim or witness during the crime.
- Threat, bribe, or coercion made by suspect or third party to the victim or witness, or their family after the crime.
- The witness has stated a fear of harm, coercion or undue pressure.
- The witness is a confidential informant.
- The victim/witness is a minor and the suspect has authority, control to discipline, or to withhold physical or emotional care or support.
- The suspect is associated with a criminal gang.
- The witness is involved in the crime itself and has provided cooperation to the State.

Explain risk, Ariel Castro has a history of domestic violence. Ariel Castro held three women and a child captive in his home from 08/22/2002 - 05/06/2013. During this time period the victims were kept chained up or locked in their room. Ariel Castro did on occasion physically assault his victims and threatened bodily harm to the victims if they attempted to escape.

Detective or Officer:

Detective Andrew Harasimchuk #481
(print)

Andrew Harasimchuk #481 5/27/13
(signature/badge #/date)

Officer-in-Charge:

(print)

McMahon, Sgt #9924 5/28/13
(signature/badge #/date)