The Media Interviewee's Bill of Rights

You have the right to:

- o Decline an interview
- o Decline to answer a question
- o Know who will be interviewing you in advance
- o Know what general subjects will be covered
- o Know in general how, where and when your interview will be used
- Be assisted during the interview by your public relations and/or legal counsel, or at the least have them present if you choose
- See any documents in which allegations are being made against you or your association
- o Ask for additional time to research unexpected questions
- o End the interview at any time
- o Discuss problems with a reporter's supervisor
- o Be treated fairly, honestly and professionally

You do *NOT* have the right to:

- See a list of specific questions in advance
- o Review a finished story before it is printed or aired