

Victim Impact Statement

If you need more space to answer any of the following questions, please feel free to use as much paper as you need, and simply attach these sheets of paper to this impact statement. You do not have to use this form. If you prefer, feel free to write a letter to the judge. This form is only offered to provide you with an example of what you may wish to write about.

Your Name: _____

Your Loved One's Name: _____

Defendant's Name: _____

1. How has the loss of your loved one affected you and those close to you? Please feel free to discuss your feelings about what has happened and how it has affected your general well-being. Has this crime affected your relationship with any family members, friends, co-workers, and other people? As a result of this crime, if you or others close to you have sought any type of crime victim services, such as counseling by either a licensed professional member of clergy, or a community sponsored support group, you may wish to mention this.

2. Has the crime affected your ability to perform your work, make a living, run household, go to school, or enjoy any other activities you previously performed or enjoyed? If so, please explain how these activities have been affected by your loss.

3. Only if you feel comfortable in doing so, use this space to tell the judge anything you would like him/her to know about your loved one and type of person he/she was. If you wish, you can write about any special memories you have of your loved one, times you shared together, what his/her hopes and dreams were, and any other information you would like to share with the judge.