

Arrest Checklist



You've just learned that police in New York are looking to arrest you.

Here's a checklist of things to do, and not to do, when preparing for "voluntary surrender" (turning yourself in to be arrested):

- DON'T contact the police.**
- DON'T answer your phone. Let all calls go to voice mail.**
- Contact your lawyer immediately.**
- Direct your lawyer to: 1) notify police that you have a lawyer; 2) notify police not to question you; and**

- 3) arrange your voluntary surrender.
- Surrender to police as arranged by your lawyer.
 - DON'T bring your phone to the surrender.
 - Bring government-issued photo ID – nothing else.
 - Surrender by 8:00 a.m., or as early as possible.
 - DON'T answer police questions.
 - Respond to each question asked by police or prosecutors with, "I want my lawyer."
 - Arrange for your lawyer to be at your arraignment.
 - Arrange to have someone in court with enough cash to post bail for you at your arraignment.

Call 212-390-0036 to speak with Bruce Yerman, Attorney at Law, about any questions you have concerning this checklist, voluntary surrender, or criminal defense.