

PROBATE COURT OF PORTAGE COUNTY, OHIO
PATRICIA J. SMITH, JUDGE

IN THE MATTER OF _____ RESPONDENT
CASE NO. _____

RIGHTS OF AN INVOLUNTARY DETAINED PERSON

You are in the Custody of the Portage County Board of Mental Health and Addition Services, 155 East Main Street, Kent, Ohio 44240 for examination by mental health professionals.

This is not a criminal arrest.

You have a RIGHT to:

1. MAKE immediately a REASONABLE NUMBER OF TELEPHONE CALLS or use other reasonable means to contact an attorney, a physician, a licensed clinical psychologist, or to contact some other person or persons to secure representation by counsel, or to obtain medical or psychological assistance, and be provided assistance in making calls if such assistance is needed and requested.
2. RETAIN COUNSEL and have independent expert evaluation of your mental condition and, if you are unable to afford an attorney, be represented by court-appointed counsel and have independent expert evaluation of your mental condition at public expense if you are unable to afford that evaluation.
3. HAVE A HEARING to determine whether or not you are a mentally ill person subject to hospitalization by court order.
4. REQUEST A VOLUNTARY ADMISSION to the treatment facility, which if accepted will expunge your court record. If you voluntarily admit yourself before or at the initial hearing, your court file will also be expunged. If at your initial hearing you are found not to be mentally ill, subject to hospitalization by court order, your file will be expunged.