

## 1-800-MIHOSED

**You are working as a legal assistant for an 800 number hotline. Your job is to listen to callers and let them know if they have a case and if so, what law(s) & rights are protecting them. With a partner, read the following situations and see if you can come up with the correct answer. Feel free to use your notes and your Civil liberties & Amendments worksheet.**

1. A reporter calls and he has been investigating a big political corruption story. The cops want him to give up his source of information so they can find out who is guilty. **Case? Why?**
2. A town mayor calls to see if he has to take down the large Christmas tree located in the town square. **Case? Why/Why Not?**
3. Punk kid calls from jail as the judge just put him in for contempt of court. Says he was a witness in a case but refused to answer questions that would have mentioned he was breaking parole. **Case? Why/Why Not?**
4. A protester calls as he is in jail for telling a crowd that the federal government needs to be overthrown as it is engaged in an illegal war in Iraq. **Case? Why/Why Not?**
5. OSH student calls saying she was suspended for wearing a baseball cap with the message "Stop the War in Iraq." **Case? Why/Why Not?**
6. An old woman calls from jail. She was arrested because a police officer heard her say "I am going to kill that weatherman if it rains on my granddaughter's wedding Saturday." **Case? Why/Why Not?**
7. A kid calls saying he is getting harassed by the police for hanging around some kids at the skate park who have been to juvie. **Case? Why/Why Not?**
8. Leader of a religious group calls as he was arrested when he distributed LSD to parishioners so they could participate in their annual "Finding God" ceremony. **Case? Why/Why Not?**
9. Principal of St. Sebastian's School for Wayward Girls calls as the government rejected their request for free copies of the state's basic skills tests that are mandatory for public students. **Case? Why/Why Not?**
10. Publisher calls and says he is being sued for libel for claiming Vice President Cheney went on an unsuccessful hunt for Bigfoot. **Case? Why/Why Not?**