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WHAT TO LOOK FOR BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER INCARCERATION

1. If you have been arrested and own real estate, cars, tools, or other personal property and are at risk of losing them because of potential incarceration, we can buy houses, cars, etc and put the money in your books.
2. A defendant may qualify for ARS 13-924 after release. The law provides a defendant 20 days credit for every 30 days he spends on probation.
3. A defendant who has a probation "tail" AND RESTITUTION, in addition to court fines and fees may reduce his probation period by HALF if they do this: (even if restitution is still owed) Ask PO to apply monthly probation payment to restitution and NOT to court fees and fines. Court fees and fines will be due as a "balloon payment" halfway into the probationary period.

At this point probation ends and Defendant can file a REQUEST FOR IMPOSITION OF COMMUNITY RESTITUTION IN LIEU OF MONETARY OBLIGATION PURSUANT TO ARS 13-824.

4. A defendant facing a long sentence may ask his attorney to negotiate a sentence under 5 years. Sentences over 5 years will require an individual to go to a 3-yard or higher before they can qualify to go to a lower yard. Higher yards are for higher risk inmates, are very political, and movement is supervised and restricted.
5. If pleading to DUI, you should ask the court to make you eligible for ARS 31-233(c). The law allows a defendant to be released under a Continuous Alcohol Monitoring Program after completing just 20% of their sentence! DOC Rule 1000, Department Order 1003, 10.1.3, 10.1.5.

6. While in prison add your name to Angel Tree and Backpack plan (even if you don't not have kids). The program gives your family money and gifts during Christmas. Ask the facility's pastor for details.
7. Within 1 year from the gate, enroll in the CoC program. This after-release program provides free transportation, phones, clothing, free bus passes, employment, food, and after care treatment. CoC will pay up to 3 months of rent to your landlord, give you \$500 to purchase tools, and buy you work clothes. La Casita de mi Angel will connect you with jobs and give you free supplies (from toothpaste to laundry detergent) and will pay for Uber and Lyft passes while you're looking for a job and will Uber or Lyft you to and from work for FREE for the first 30 days of your employment.
8. If you have municipal fines and fees, you may have them waived through the 2nd chance program. It only works if you are taking part in the program.
9. Enroll in the 2nd chance program within 90 days from being released. It will provide you with work skills and job opportunities. Many employers will commit to hiring you while you are still in prison.
10. Superior Court fees and fines are harder to waive but you should ask the court to waive them anyway by filing a Motion through our office. Some counties are more prison-friendly than others.
11. At sentencing, ask the court to mail you a copy of the sentencing transcripts. You will need them if you decide to file a Rule 32 or Rule 33 Post-Conviction Relief petition.
12. If your plea involves a concurrent sentence, ask the court to define each sentence as either ruling OR non-ruling sentences (ARS 13-172 and ARS 41-16404.07). Also, ask the court to SPECIFICALLY apply your back time equally to all concurrent sentences. Make sure this is spelled out in the Sentencing Commitment. DOC will not give you credit for the days you spent in County on the non-ruling sentence.
13. If your conviction involves drug use, ask the court to make you eligible for House Bill HB 1310. You will do 70%, as opposed to 85% of your time.
14. Prior to sentencing, ask your attorney to file Rule 8.3 Motion to make sure there are no additional pending charges against you. They will pop up during your incarceration and even the day you are scheduled to be released. This may delay

your release and may require you to attend court to handle that case. (AKA Page 2).

15. If sentenced to less than a year but more than 6 months, ask the court to make this an Earning Sentence, and NOT a Flat Time sentence ARS 41-1604.07 (A)(B)(2)
16. If your sentence involves concurrent sentences, to qualify for TR (Temporary Release which gives you up to 90 days Early Release Credit), ask the court to waive Community Supervision on the NON-RULING sentence pursuant to ARS 13-603(K). Failure to do this will make you ineligible for early release.
17. Work proactively on your release. Do not expect DOC or your case manager to be on top of it. They are not. Ask your family to call Jordan Wilcox, TCU Manager at DOC at 602.542.1589 (that's his direct line) and inquire about which senate bills you may be eligible for. He will answer any questions related to your release. He is very helpful and sympathetic to your case.
18. Ask the judge if you qualify for the Community Reentry Work program. You might be eligible for release 90 days prior to your earliest release date. ARS 41-1604.18.
19. If you have a prior Marijuana Conviction (less than 2.5 ounces, 6 marijuana plants, or marijuana-related paraphernalia) ask the Court to expunge it pursuant to ARS 36-2862. It cannot be used to enhance your sentence.
20. Ask your attorney to make sure your sentence makes you eligible for ARS 31-281 AKA as the "SAGE" program. DOC's DO 1002.8.3.1.1.3. It excludes violent crimes as stated in ARS 13-901.03.
21. Ask the court to make you eligible for ARS 31-144. This statute allows you to earn double the amount of time for work done outside the jail or prison under the supervision of unarmed guards. (i.e. ACI jobs, Wildland Firefighter, etc.). Ask the judge to spell it out in the Sentencing Minutes.
22. At sentencing, ask the court to convert Monetary Restitution (fines, fees, etc.) into Community Restitution pursuant to ARS 13-824.
23. You may not need to hire a private attorney until you know what kind of charges you are facing. Violent or Aggravated charges may justify the expense of private counsel; otherwise, probably not.
24. Beyond Attorneys LLC can assist you in preparing legal documents. (i.e. Power of Attorney)

25. Beyond Attorneys LLC can provide you a list of reputable Bail companies.
26. Beyond Attorneys can provide you with a list of reputable and aggressive private attorneys.
27. Beyond Attorneys offers free case reviews.
28. We are a link to your family during the time of your incarceration.
29. We can assist you in pursuing civil lawsuits.
30. We can help you find free money through private and government grants for returning citizens and minority entrepreneurs.
31. Stay ticket free. Do not argue with COs or higher ups. No matter how good your argument is, you will not win.
32. Jail and prison are all about RESPECT. Be mindful of others and do YOUR time in peace.
33. Take advantage of this time. You will never have this much free time for yourself. Work not just your body, but your mind. Learn new things. Read.
34. Follow the rules.
35. Beyond Attorneys, LLC can also provide you assistance with:
 - a. Divorces
 - b. Elimination of back taxes and tax liens.
 - c. Child support disputes and custody cases.
 - d. Post Conviction Relief (Rule 32) Applications
 - e. Sentence Commutation preparation
 - f. Recover excessive lawyer fees.
 - g. Credit Repair
 - h. Driver License Revocations Recovery pursuant to ARS 28-661
 - i. Sentence Modifications pursuant to Rule 26.13 (i.e. making consecutive sentences run concurrently)
 - j. Conviction Set-Aside pursuant to ARS 13-905**

- k. **Sealing of Arrest Records, Convictions and Sentencing Records pursuant to ARS 13-911.**
- l. Employment placement
- m. Networking
- n. Any civil or criminal Motion. Anywhere in Arizona.

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