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You have the right to film the police.

The ACLU of
Nebraska Mobile
Justice smartphone
app was created to
empower individuals
to hold Nebraska law
enforcement agencies
accountable for their
actions. Download the
Android app
(https://play.google.com

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/apps/details?id=org.aclu.mobile.justice.ne) or download the iPhone app (https://itunes.apple.com/app/id962204214).

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It has four main features:

- Record allows citizens to capture exchanges between police
 officers and themselves or other community members in audio and
 video files that are automatically emailed to the ACLU of
 Nebraska.
- Witness gives citizens the option to alert nearby Mobile Justice App users when they are stopped by police in order to witness and document the interaction.
- Report gives citizens the option to provide a more-detailed account of their interactions with police in an incident report, which will be transmitted directly to the ACLU of Nebraska.
- Know Your Rights provides an overview of what rights protect Nebraskans when they are stopped by law enforcement officers.

A WARNING

When interacting with law enforcement, exercise caution when attempting to use the app to document your exchange. Your safety depends on your ability to clearly communicate your actions and to remain calm.

- Announce that you are reaching for your phone.
- Announce that you are attempting to access the app to record the exchange.
- If the officer forbids or prevents you from doing so, do not argue



- Follow the officer's instructions.
- If your rights have been violated, your attorney will argue your case later.
- If the officer attempts to touch your screen in an effort to destroy the evidence you've captured, don't worry. The app is password protected and will immediately forward what you captured at the point at which the proper password is not provided.

Please note that video and report submissions through the app are not considered legal requests for representation. If you want the ACLU to represent you, you must <u>request assistance</u> (https://www.aclunebraska.org/en/get-help).

Not in Nebraska? <u>Learn if your state has a Mobile Justice App!</u> (https://www.aclu.org/feature/aclu-apps-record-police-conduct)

