

# First 24 Hours After Booking: Family Checklist

A one-page guide (educational only; not legal advice).

## Start here:

- Confirm facility, booking number, arresting agency.
- Ask when a lawyer can speak with them.
- Keep calls/texts factual: logistics only (who/when/where).

## Documents to gather (one folder)

- Full legal name and DOB, booking or incident number.
- Property receipt and medication list; court/arraignment date/time.
- Contact details for counsel and transportation; keep receipts and call logs.

## Communication rules for family and friends

- Choose a single point person for updates; avoid group-chat debates.
- Ask close friends to avoid social posts; private messages only.
- Write a simple timeline while details are fresh.

## Bond/bail

- Ask counsel whether to post immediately or wait for a hearing.
- Save all receipts and conditions paperwork.

## Further reading

Jail & booking basics (reednolan.com) -> <https://reednolan.com/reed-nolan-jail.html>

Arrested checklist (reednolan.com) -> <https://reednolan.com/reed-nolan-arrested.html>