

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION

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Dear Friend:

- A man held in a Florida mental hospital for 12 years without any treatment tries unsuccessfully on 15 occasions to secure a court hearing on his confinement.
- Army intelligence agents spy on the peaceful political activities of American citizens.
- 13,000 people—innocent and guilty alike—are swept up in dragnet arrests in the nation's capital.
- A man arrested by mistake is denied a job because of his arrest record.
- An Atlanta newspaper is barred from the mails because it contains information on abortion referral services.

But what can you do?

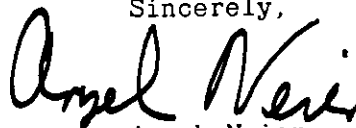
Join the American Civil Liberties Union to make your voice count in defense of the liberties of all Americans. 180,000 of your fellow citizens belong to the ACLU because, through their membership, they work for the protection of their own rights and the rights of everyone else to freedom of inquiry and expression, privacy, due process of law and equal protection of the laws.

This year, the ACLU will be in court in more than 5,000 cases. Some of these cases are limited in effect to a single individual whose rights have been abused through malevolence, indifference or oversight. Others are cases which go to the U. S. Supreme Court and vitally affect the lives of millions of persons. All are designed to fulfill the promise of the Bill of Rights.

Will you join us? American liberties are under severe pressure today and your help is needed.

Join us today. The more you contribute, the more we can do.

Sincerely,



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