

## **The Weingarten Card**

Don't let a meeting with management get out of hand. If you're called in to explain why something went wrong, stop and think about your Weingarten Rights. By presenting this card to



"If this discussion could in any way lead to my being disciplined, terminated, or affect my personal working conditions, I request that my shop steward or union officer be present at this meeting. Until they arrive, as is my right under a U.S. Supreme Court decision called Weingarten, I choose not to answer any questions regarding this matter."

management, **YOU** may have the right to stop a meeting until your steward, assistant steward or a union rep arrives to accompany you.

## Some Safety Tips

- ☑ Before you head out on a story, research the event, routes, local police tactics and make sure you have accreditation.
- ☑ Wear comfortable clothing and shoes.
- At the scene, stay on the edge and do not get caught between police and protesters. Stay aware of the crowd's mood.
- ☑ Notify your news director if the scene turns angry.
- $\ensuremath{\boxdot}$  When trouble erupts, maintain a distance from the violence.
- ☑ Stand upwind from tear gas.
- ☑ If your safety is a concern, alert your news director, assignment desk and union representative.

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