

# PROTECT YOURSELF FROM THE FREEDOM FOUNDATION

The Freedom Foundation has been known to lie about their identity while knocking on doors, often claiming they are representatives from labor unions, to coerce members to sign paperwork under false pretenses. Our research has also uncovered that the Freedom Foundation hired a convicted felon to oversee its canvass operations. In light of this fact, the Freedom Foundation continues to have this person on their staff. Here are some ways you can protect yourself if contacted by the Freedom Foundation:

## **1. You are not required to sign anything provided to you by the Freedom Foundation.**

If you are approached and feel uncomfortable, you should ask that the Freedom Foundation staffer leave your property or your workplace and ask to be removed from their contact list.

## **2. You have a right to be removed from their contact list.**

If you are contacted after requesting removal, you should call your union representative and report the activity. The Freedom Foundation does not have the right to harass you.

## **3. You have the right to request the ID of the Freedom Foundation staff member if they approach you.**

A union rep will always carry identification. The Freedom Foundation has been known to lie about their identity. You have the right to write down their information and report it to your local union representative. This will help protect other members from harassment.

## **4. You have the right to take a picture or record a conversation with the Freedom Foundation staffer.**

Politely tell them that you are recording the conversation for your protection. Capturing this information will help authorities identify the Freedom Foundation staffer if you experience harassment and it will help other union members protect themselves.

## **5. At any time, if you feel scared or intimidated, ask the Freedom Foundation representative to leave the premises immediately and call 9-1-1.**

If you have a story you wish to share you can also report it on our website, [nwaccountabilityproject.com/report-ff/](http://nwaccountabilityproject.com/report-ff/). The Northwest Accountability Project respects requests for anonymity. Sharing your story will allow us to gather more information in order to protect the public. Thank you.

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