

Sample interview release language

(For use when a signed written release is impossible)

Make sure the recording can hear and see (if it's video) that the person is giving consent. Start the recording, and say,

"I'm [your name], and today is [date]. I'm recording this interview with [name of interviewee] . [first name], you understand that I'm recording this interview, and you consent to me using this recording's contents as part of my [book\film\documentary] (which is tentatively entitled "[title]") and in all other media and languages, everywhere in the world, forever?"

Make sure consent is clearly and unequivocally given, and then proceed with the interview. You may wish to repeat this at the end of the interview.

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