TABLE OF APPROPRIATE AND INAPPROPRIATE QUESTIONS OF APPLICANTS DURING THE INTERVIEW PROCESS

SUBJECT	APPROPRIATE	INAPPROPRIATE
ADDRESS	How long have you lived "in this area?"	List of previous addresses, how long have
		you lived at specific address.
AGE	None.	Questions about age or questions that
		would reveal age. Requests for birth
		certificate.
ARREST RECORD	Indiana law permits questions on pending	Questions about pending charges for jobs
	charges if related to job, i.e., security or	other than those mentioned.
	sensitive jobs.	
BIRTHPLACE	None.	Birthplace of applicant or applicant's
		parent(s), spouse or other close relative(s).
CITIZENSHIP	May ask questions about legal	May not ask if person is a U.S. citizen.
	authorization to work in the specific position	
	if all applicants are asked.	
CONVICTIONS	May ask if any record of criminal convictions and/or offenses exist, if all	Questions about convictions unless the
	applicants are asked.	information bears on job performance. Questions that would reveal arrests without
	applicants are asked.	convictions.
DISABILITY	May ask about applicant's ability to do	Question (or series of questions) that is
	job-related functions.	likely to solicit information about a
		disability.
EDUCATION	Inquiries about degree or equivalent	Questions about education that are not
	experience.	related to job performance.
FAMILY	None.	Number and ages of children, child
		bearing/rearing queries.
MARITAL OR	Whether applicant can meet work schedule	Any inquiry about marital status, children,
FAMILY STATUS	or job requirements. Should be asked of	pregnancy, or child
	both sexes.	
MILITARY	You may ask if a candidate has served in	You may not ask about military service in
	the Armed Forces of the United States or in	the armed forces of any country except the
	a State Militia.	U.S., nor may you inquire into one's type of
		discharge.
NATIONAL ORIGIN	May ask all applicants if legally authorized	May not ask if person is a U.S. Citizen.
ORGANIZATIONS	to work in this specific position.	Inquiries about professional organizations
ORGANIZATIONS	Inquiries about professional organizations related to the position.	suggesting race, sex, religion, national
		origin, disability, or sexual orientation.
PERSONAL	None.	Inquiries regarding credit record, owning a
FINANCES		home, or garnishment record.
POLITICAL	None.	Inquiries about membership with a political
AFFILIATION		party.
RACE, COLOR, OR	None.	Comments about complexion, color of skin,
SEXUAL		height, weight, or sexual orientation.
ORIENTATION		
RELIGION	Describe the work schedule and ask	Inquiries or religious preferences,
	whether applicant can work that schedule.	affiliation, or denominations or religious
	Also, suggest that accommodations to	holidays observed.
	schedule are possible.	
WORK	Applicant's previous employment	Stereotypical inquiries regarding protected
EXPERIENCE	experience.	group members.

