Janus



Society

Suite #229, 34 S. 17th Street, Phila., Penna. 19103 215 LOcust 3 9414 TO THE CUSTOMERS OF DEWEY'S RESTAURANT, 17TH AND CHANCELLOR STS.

The management of Dewey's has decided to refuse service to certain persons, and this outline has been prepared in an effort to alert the public to the rights of the various parties involved.

1) Dewey's has the right to refuse service to any individual on any basis it chooses, without explanation or justification, except for reason of race, religion or nationality. There is no indication that Dewey's is refusing service for any of these three reasons.

The Dewey's management invites all persons who are refused service in this store to patronize their store at 13th above Locust.

- 2) An individual who is denied service has the right to refuse to move from his seat and no criminal action can be rightfully brought against any individual who so refuses. Individuals who are refused service, however, always retain the right to leave the premises.
- 3) Criminal action may be brought against any individual who uses rude, abusive, or loud language, and all persons should be especially careful to avoid such at this time.
- 4) Dewey's has the right to forcibly remove you from the restaurant and even call the police to assist them in this. In the event the police are called, individuals who have followed the instructions in 3 above are still not rightfully liable for criminal prosecution.
- 5) Persons ejected from Dewey's by force or who leave willingly are liable for prosecution if they congregate and block the sidewalk, or violate the precautions of 3 above.

In the event you choose to remain seated and you are forcibly evicted, in order to avoid rightful prosecution, you must not resist, use loud or abusive language, etc.

- 6) Picketing and other peaceful protests are within the law and not subject to criminal sanctions.
- 7) If an individual observes the above cautions and is arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct or something of the like, there are certain remedies available such as suing for false arrest and appealing convictions. It should be noted, however, that it is extremely difficult to prove a case against the police force or to win an appeal of conviction.

Special note: The term "rightful prosecution" is used in several places above and should not be interpreted as a guarantee against any prosecution at all. There are many possible reasons why police officers might bring prosecutions against demonstrators in spite of the fact that the charges are eventually considered improper.

The Janus Society is an organization of citizens, both heterosexual and homosexual, who are concerned with improving the social and legal status of homosexuals. The Society maintains a 24 hour legal referral service for persons who are arrested, conducts public lectures and general information programs, and a variety of other services to aid heterosexuals and homosexuals to come to a better understanding of homosexuality in specific and sexuality in general.

The Janus Society office is open most evenings between 8 and 10. Further information is available upon request.