

**Colorado Revised Statutes: Title 18: Criminal Code:**  
**18-8-403. Official Oppression.**

TITLE 18. CRIMINAL CODE. ARTICLE 8. OFFENSES - GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS.  
PART 4. ABUSE OF PUBLIC OFFICE.

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**(1) A public servant,  
while acting or purporting to  
act in an official capacity**

**or taking advantage of such actual or purported capacity,**

**commits official oppression**

**if,**

**with actual knowledge that his conduct is illegal,**

**he:**

**(a) Subjects another to arrest, detention,  
search, seizure, mistreatment,  
dispossession, assessment, or lien;**

**or (b) Has legal authority and jurisdiction of any person legally  
restrained of his liberty and denies the person restrained the reasonable  
opportunity to consult in private with a licensed attorney-at-law, if there  
is no danger of imminent escape and the person in custody expresses a  
desire to consult with such attorney.**

**(2) Official oppression is a class 2 misdemeanor.**