IC 35-37-6-9 - Testimonial Privileges: Victim Advocates may not be compelled to testify or produce records about any survivor client they may (or may not) have provided services to.

IC 34-60-1-4. - Role of victim advocate: In any civil proceeding, a court may allow a victim advocate to attend the proceeding, sit with the victim, and confer with the victim as necessary. A victim advocate is not considered to be practicing law when performing the services described.
IC 35-37-6-17 - Indiana’s Victim Confidentiality Statute: “You cannot confirm or deny you have served any individual.” (This privilege created by Indiana law is also in federal law and has been upheld by the Indiana Supreme Court). Even acknowledging the person has been a client or recipient of your services is a violation.

If you are being pressured, ask for a brief recess to consult with ICADV counsel.

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