## Reporter's Checklist: 9 questions to ask sources to produce more complex, accurate stories and reduce unproductive conflict

- 1. What is oversimplified about this conflict?
- 2. How is this controversy personal for you?
- 3. What do you want to understand about those in opposition to you?
- 4. What do you want those in opposition to understand about you?
- 5. What would it feel like if you woke up and this problem was solved?
- 6. What is the question nobody is asking?
- 7. What do you want to know about this issue or controversy that you don't already know?
- 8. Where do you feel torn?
- 9. Tell me more.

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