

STATE OF ILLINOIS, CIRCUIT COURT  _____ COUNTY		EMERGENCY ORDER OF PROTECTION  Civil Proceeding <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Criminal Proceeding <input type="checkbox"/> Ex parte		_____ Case Number
<b>Instructions ▼</b>		<i>For Court Use Only</i>		
Directly above, enter the county where you filed this case.	<b>Petitioner:</b> _____ <i>(First, middle, last name)</i>			
Enter your name as Petitioner.	<b>v.</b>			
Enter name of the person you are seeking protection from as Respondent.	<b>Respondent:</b> _____ <i>(First, middle, last name)</i>			
Enter the Case Number given by the Circuit Clerk.	<b>People to be Protected by this Order</b> ( <i>check all that apply</i> ): Petitioner refers to any protected person in this Order.			
Check the boxes for ALL people you want to include in the Order.	<input type="checkbox"/> Petitioner		<input type="checkbox"/> Independent	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Petitioner's minor children with Respondent: _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile	
On the lines provided, enter the name for each person you are trying to protect. "Other household members" includes people living with you or working where you are staying.	<input type="checkbox"/> Petitioner's minor children not related to Respondent: _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Other Civil Proceeding	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Dependent adult: _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Criminal	
	<input type="checkbox"/> High-risk adult: _____		This <b>Order</b> has been granted Pursuant to the Code of Criminal Procedure <a href="#"><u>725 ILCS 5/112A</u></a>	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other household members: _____			

***"Petitioner" Includes All Persons Named Above As "People to Be Protected By This Order."***

**ORDER INFORMATION:**

☐ This *Order* was issued on: \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Time

☐ Civil Order: this *Order* will end on: \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Time

☐ Criminal Order: this *Order* will be in effect until the hearing on a final protective *Order*.

**NEXT HEARING:** There will be a hearing on: \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Time

at \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_  
*Address of Courthouse* *Courtroom*

**Respondent:** A *Plenary* (long-term) *Order of Protection* may be entered if you do not come to this hearing.

**NOTE:** If you are completing this form for a minor child, a dependent adult, or a high-risk adult, insert information needed below as if you were that person. In other words, do not use your information.

**1. Petitioner's** ☐ **address OR** ☐ **alternative address for notice**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Street Address, Apt. #* *City* *State* *ZIP*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Email*

**2. Respondent's date of birth (if known):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Sex:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Race:** \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Respondent's address (if known):**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Street Address, Apt. #* *City* *State* *ZIP*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Respondent's Employer* *Respondent's work hours*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Respondent's Employer-Street Address* *City* *State* *ZIP*

**After reviewing the *Petition* and hearing the evidence and testimony of Petitioner, the Court makes findings which:**

- ☐ Are stated on page 9 and 10 of this *Order*; OR  
☐ Were made orally and videotaped or recorded by a court reporter and are incorporated into this *Order*.

**THE COURT ORDERS THAT YOU OBEY ALL SECTIONS SELECTED BELOW:**

***"Petitioner" Includes All Persons Named Above As "People to Be Protected by This Order."***

☐ **1. No Abuse** **(R01) (Police Enforced)**

Respondent shall not threaten or commit the following acts of abuse toward Petitioner (*check all that apply*):

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Harassment          | <input type="checkbox"/> Intimidation of a Dependent                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Physical Abuse      | <input type="checkbox"/> Exploitation of a High-Risk Adult with Disabilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stalking            | <input type="checkbox"/> Neglect of a High-Risk Adult with Disabilities      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Willful Deprivation | <input type="checkbox"/> Interference with Personal Liberty                  |

☐ **2. Possession of Residence** **(R02) (Police Enforced)**

These remedies do not affect who owns the property, only who gets to use or occupy

- ☐ Petitioner is granted exclusive possession of the residence and Respondent is ordered not to stay or be at the residence  
☐ Petitioner's residence is located at:

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Street Address, Apt. #* *City* *State* *ZIP*

OR

- ☐ Petitioner's address is undisclosed.

BECAUSE (*check one*):

- ☐ Petitioner has a right to occupy the residence and Respondent has no right; OR  
☐ Petitioner and Respondent both have the right to occupy the residence, but it would be harder on the Petitioner to leave after considering the factors set forth in [750 ILCS 60/214\(b\)\(2\)\(B\)](#).

Provision of alternate housing. **Not available in an Emergency Order.**

**3. Stay Away from Petitioner and Certain Places (R03) (Police Enforced)**

- ☐ Respondent shall not have any communication with Petitioner
- ☐ Respondent shall stay away from Petitioner at all times
- ☐ Respondent shall stay at least \_\_\_\_\_ feet away from Petitioner at all times.

**Respondent:**

If any protections are granted under Section 3, Respondent must not have ANY physical, non-physical, direct or indirect contact with Petitioner. If ordered to not communicate with Petitioner, communication includes oral communication, written communication, sign language, telephone and cell phone calls, faxes, texts, tweets, emails, posts, or communication by any other social media, and all other communication with Petitioner. This also includes contact or communication through others who may not know about the *Order of Protection*.

- ☐ Respondent shall not be at or stay at any of these places while Petitioner is there:

- ☐ Places of employment of Petitioner, located at:

Name	Street Address	City	State	ZIP

Name	Street Address	City	State	ZIP

- ☐ Schools, kindergartens, or daycare centers of Petitioner, located at:

Name	Street Address	City	State	ZIP

Name	Street Address	City	State	ZIP

- ☐ For the safety of Petitioner, the name and location of the school or daycare is listed on the *Confidential Name & Location of the School or Childcare Provider* form.

- ☐ Other locations:

Name	Street Address	City	State	ZIP

Name	Street Address	City	State	ZIP

- ☐ Respondent shall have the right to enter the residence listed in Section 2 only one time to retrieve the property listed in Section 10 of this Order, but only in the presence of:

- ☐ law enforcement    OR    ☐ another person: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Person

- ☐ School Restrictions

\_\_\_\_\_ is an elementary, middle, or high school  
Name of School attended by both Respondent and Petitioner.

After considering the factors in [750 ILCS 60/214\(b\)\(3\)\(B\)](#):

- ☐ Respondent shall not attend this school for as long as Petitioner is enrolled there;
- ☐ Respondent shall accept a change of placement or program at this school as determined by the public school district or by this private or non-public school; OR
- ☐ Respondent shall follow these restrictions on movement within the school: \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ Requirements for Parents and Guardians

Respondent is a minor. To ensure that Respondent follows this Order, \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Parent or Guardian

shall do the following:

**4. Counseling. Not available in an Emergency Order.**

☐ **5. Care and Possession of Children****(R05) Police/Court Enforced**

**Law Enforcement:** The provisions of this section are Police Enforced IF Respondent is ordered (*see page 3, R03*) to stay away from the minor children listed as "protected" as checked below.

☐ Respondent and Petitioner are the parents of these minor children:

Child's Name ( <i>first, middle, last</i> )	Age	State of Residence	Included as Protected Person?	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

☐ Parentage of the Children:

☐ The parties are NOT married and parentage HAS NOT been established.

OR

☐ Parentage HAS been established because (*check one*):

☐ The children of the parties were born before or during the marriage of the parties, or within 300 days of termination of the marriage.

☐ The parties are NOT married but parentage has been established by one or more of the following:

1. Both parties have signed a Voluntary Acknowledgment of Paternity (VAP) (*if both parties' names are on the birth certificate, both parties signed the VAP*).
2. A court or administrative order.
3. Other:

☐ The primary caretaker of the minor children is: ☐ Petitioner ☐ Respondent ☐ Other person:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Street Address, Apt. #</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>ZIP</u>
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☐ Petitioner is granted the physical care and possession of the minor children.

☐ Respondent shall, personally or through a law enforcement agency as authorized by the court, return the minor children to the physical care of:

☐ Petitioner ☐ Other Person: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Name of Other Person*

☐ Respondent shall return the children to:

<u>Street Address, Apt. #</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>ZIP</u>
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☐ on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ in the presence of:  
*Date Time*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Name of Person or Name of Law Enforcement Agency*

☐ Respondent shall not remove the minor children from the physical care of Petitioner or from a school or childcare provider. The name of the school or provider is: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **Within 24 hours of this Order being entered, the Circuit Clerk shall send written notice of the Order to the following school, daycare, or health care providers:**

Name	Street Address	City	State	ZIP
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Name	Street Address	City	State	ZIP
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- ☐ For the safety of Petitioner, the name and location of the school or daycare is listed on the *Confidential Name & Location of the School or Childcare Provider* form.

**6. Temporary Significant Decision-Making Responsibility. Not available in an Emergency Order.**

☐ **7. Respondent's Parenting Time (formerly visitation) with the Minor Children (R07) (Court Enforced)**

Parenting time is:

- ☐ GRANTED for the Respondent (*without restrictions as listed below.*)
- ☐ RESERVED until a later hearing (*The Court will not make ANY decision on parenting time right now.*)
- ☐ DENIED (*No visits at all.*)
- ☐ RESTRICTED (*Visits with limits as listed below.*)

*If parenting time is DENIED or RESTRICTED, check the reasons below:*

Respondent is likely to (*check all that apply*):

- ☐ Abuse or endanger the children during parenting time.
- ☐ Use parenting time to abuse or harass Petitioner, Petitioner's family, or household members.
- ☐ Improperly hide or detain the children.
- ☐ Act in a way that is not in the best interest of the children.

☐ Parenting time is GRANTED or RESTRICTED as follows (*check the box that applies*):

☐ See attached parenting time schedule; OR

☐ The parenting time schedule is (*check all that apply, include a.m. or p.m.*):

☐ Every \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
Weekdays Time Time

☐ Each weekend OR ☐ Every other weekend as follows: (*include a.m. or p.m.*)

☐ from Friday at \_\_\_\_\_ to Saturday at \_\_\_\_\_

☐ from Friday at \_\_\_\_\_ to Sunday at \_\_\_\_\_

☐ from Saturday at \_\_\_\_\_ to Saturday at \_\_\_\_\_

☐ from Saturday at \_\_\_\_\_ to Sunday at \_\_\_\_\_

☐ from Sunday at \_\_\_\_\_ to Sunday at \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Parenting time is to begin on: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

☐ Holidays:

From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_  
Time Time

☐ The person responsible for transportation of the children for parenting time is:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

☐ Pickup for parenting time to take place at:

Name of place (if any)	Street Address	City	State
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☐ Return from parenting time to take place at:

Name of place (if any)	Street Address	City	State
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☐ Parenting time will take place at:

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*State*

☐ Parenting time will be supervised by: \_\_\_\_\_ who has filed or will file an  
Name of Supervisor

*Affidavit of Parenting Time Supervisor* form with the court accepting responsibility and acknowledging accountability.

☐ Parenting time will be supervised at an official supervised visitation center *(if available)*.

*Name of visitation center*

☐ Respondent to return the children to Petitioner or the person designated by Petitioner immediately at the end of parenting time.

Petitioner may, by law, deny you access to the minor children if, when you arrive for parenting time, you are under the influence of drugs or alcohol and constitute a threat to the safety and well-being of Petitioner or the minor children of Petitioner or you are behaving in a violent or abusive manner (750 ILCS 60/214(b)(7)).

☐ **8. No Concealment or Removal of Children** (R08) (Police Enforced)

Respondent shall not hide the minor children within the State or remove the children from Illinois.

☐ **9. Order to Appear** (R09) (Court Enforced)

Respondent shall appear ☐ alone ☐ with minor children at:

\_\_\_\_\_ in Courtroom \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
*Address of Courthouse* *Date* *Time*

to (check all that apply):

- ☐ Prevent abuse, neglect, removal or concealment of the children.
- ☐ Return the children to the custody or care of Petitioner.
- ☐ Permit a court-ordered interview or examination of the children or Respondent.

☐ **10. Possession of Personal Property** *(does not affect ownership of property)* **(R10) (Court Enforced)**

☐ Petitioner is awarded possession of the following personal property:

☐ Respondent shall return ☐ all of the property ☐ the following property:

to \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Person

The Court finds as follows:

- ☐ Petitioner, but not Respondent, owns the property; OR
- ☐ Petitioner and Respondent both own the property. Sharing it would put Petitioner at risk for abuse, or is not practical. Not having the property would be harder on Petitioner. OR
- ☐ Petitioner claims the property as marital property, and a divorce case has been filed;
- ☐ Respondent is awarded possession of the following personal property: ☐ clothing ☐ medicine
- ☐ other personal property as follows:



**Respondent:** Respondent is automatically prohibited from possessing a firearm while this *Order* is in effect, under Federal Law [18 USC 922\(g\)\(8\)](#).

**Therefore:**

- ☐ Respondent shall surrender all firearms in their possession to this law enforcement agency, which shall take possession of them: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Law Enforcement Agency
- ☐ Respondent shall immediately turn over any FOID card in their possession to this law enforcement agency, which shall take possession of it: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Law Enforcement Agency
- ☐ Respondent's conceal and carry license is suspended during the duration of this *Order*. Respondent must turn over the license to the court at the time this *Order* is entered or to this law enforcement agency, which shall take possession of it: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Law Enforcement Agency

When this *Order* ends, Respondent's firearms and FOID card shall be returned to Respondent upon request if the FOID card is not expired and there is no other order restricting Respondent's possession of those firearms.

☐ **15. Children's Records (R15) (Court Enforced)**

Respondent is not allowed to access, inspect, or obtain school records or any other records of the minor children in the care of Petitioner because (*check all that apply*):

- ☐ This *Order of Protection* prohibits Respondent from having contact with the minor children.
- ☐ The actual address of Petitioner is not included due to the risk of further abuse.
- ☐ It is necessary to prevent abuse or wrongful removal or concealment of the minor children.

**16. Shelter Reimbursement. Not available in an Emergency Order.**

☐ **17. Miscellaneous Remedies (R17) (Court Enforced)**

- ☐ Respondent is further ordered as follows:

☐ **18. Telephone Services (R18) (Court Enforced)**

- ☐ A wireless telephone provider provides service for Respondent and Petitioner (*account details below*):  
Name of Provider: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Account Holder: \_\_\_\_\_  
Billing Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Petitioner Phone #'s: \_\_\_\_\_  
Petitioner Phone #'s: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ After considering the evidence, the wireless telephone service provider shall terminate Respondent's use Petitioner's phone number, transfer to Petitioner the right to use these phone numbers, and transfer to Petitioner all financial responsibility associated with future use of these phone numbers.

**Petitioner:** STOP! Only the Judge or Circuit Clerk shall enter anything below this point.

☐ **RULINGS PURSUANT TO [750 ILCS60/221\(a\)\(2\) and \(b\)\(2\)](#)**

- ☐ The relief requested in Sections: ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 10 ☐ 11 ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
in the *Petition* is DENIED because the balance of hardships does not support the granting of the remedy; the granting of the remedy will result in hardship to Respondent that would substantially outweigh the hardship to



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Petitioner from the denial of the remedy; OR \_\_\_\_\_

☐ The relief requested in Sections: \_\_\_\_\_  
in the *Petition* is RESERVED.

The findings indicated below are hereby incorporated into this *Order*.

**ENTERED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Judge Date

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the original order on file with the Court.

Clerk of the Circuit Court of \_\_\_\_\_ County, Illinois  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Seal (and signature, as locally required)*

Copies given ☐ Petitioner ☐ Respondent in Open Court ☐ Sheriff to serve Respondent ☐ LEADS  
☐ State's Attorney

**FINDINGS:**

**After reviewing the *Petition* and hearing the evidence and testimony of Petitioner, the Court finds**

1. The people protected by this *Order* are:

- ☐ Petitioner  
☐ Minor children listed in caption of this *Order*  
☐ Other Protected Persons listed on page 1 of this *Order*

2. The Petitioner has the following relationship to Respondent:

- |   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boyfriend / Girlfriend / Dating Relationship (including ex) (BG)                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse (SE)   | <input type="checkbox"/> Ex-Spouse (XS)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Has Children with Respondent (never married to Respondent) (CC)                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Sharing or Shared Home (CS)                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Child (CH)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parent (PA)  | <input type="checkbox"/> Brother / Sister / Sibling (SB)                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Family Member (OF)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other – Petitioner not Related to Respondent (OT)                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> In-law (IL)   | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Caregiver to Disabled Petitioner (PC)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Petitioner with Disability receives care from respondent (PD)                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Assistant of Petitioner (PR)                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Grandchild (GC)   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grandparent (GP)   | <input type="checkbox"/> Step-Child (SC)   | <input type="checkbox"/> Step-Brother / Step-Sister / Step-Sibling (SS)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prospective or Adoptive Child has Family or Household Relationship with Respondent | <input type="checkbox"/> Foster Child has Family or Household Relationship with Respondent | <input type="checkbox"/> Legally Appointed Guardian or Custodian of a Child who has a Family or Household Relationship with Respondent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Step-Parent (SP)   |  |  |

3. ☐ Respondent HAS received actual notice of Petitioner's request for an *Order of Protection*.

☐ Respondent HAS NOT received notice of Petitioner's request for an *Order of Protection*

☐ Petitioner is present in person in court. ☐ Represented by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Lawyer

4. ☐ Respondent is not present in court.

☐ Respondent is present in person in court. ☐ Represented by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Lawyer

5. ☐ Good cause exists to grant these remedies in this *Order* even though Respondent has not received notice Because:
- ☐ a. If Respondent were given prior or greater notice, it is likely that the harm that the remedies in this *Order* are intended to prevent would occur (R01, R03, R05, R08, R09, R11, R14, R15, and R17).
  - ☐ b. If Respondent were given prior or greater notice, the immediate danger of further abuse outweighs the hardships to Respondent of an *Order* granting exclusive possession of the residence (R02).
  - ☐ c. If Respondent were given prior or greater notice, it is likely that personal property would be disposed of improperly, or Petitioner has an immediate and pressing need for possession of that property.
6. Other Relevant Factors and Findings (*check all that apply*):
- ☐ An *Order of Protection* has previously been entered in this case or in another case in which any party, or a child of any party has been named as either Respondent or Petitioner.
  - ☐ An abused person is unable to bring this *Petition* on their own behalf due to age, health, disability, or inaccessibility.
  - ☐ The *Petition* has been filed on behalf of a high-risk adult with disabilities who has been abused, neglected, or exploited by a family or household member.
  - ☐ There is reason to believe Respondent is (*check all that apply*): ☐ armed ☐ dangerous ☐ suicidal
7. ☐ **Civil Cases:** In granting the remedies in this *Order*, the Court has considered all relevant factors, including: the nature, severity, pattern, and consequences of Respondent's past abuse, neglect, or exploitation of Petitioner or any family/household member, including Respondent's concealment of their location in order to evade service of notice, and the likelihood of danger of future abuse, neglect, or exploitation to Petitioner or any member of Petitioner's or Respondent's family or household; and the danger that any minor child(ren) will be abused, removed from the jurisdiction, improperly concealed within the State, or improperly separated from the child(ren)'s primary caretaker. The court finds that:
- The Court has jurisdiction over Petitioner, Respondent, minor children and other Protected Persons.
  - Venue is proper.
  - Respondent has abused Petitioner and/or the children identified as protected persons in Section 5 on page 4 and / or the Protected Persons listed on Page 1 of this *Order*.
  - The actions of Respondent will likely cause irreparable harm or continued abuse unless they are prohibited.
  - It is necessary to grant the requested relief in this *Order* to protect Petitioner or other abused persons.
8. ☐ **Criminal Cases:** The Court is entering this *Order* based on the following prima facie evidence:
- ☐ an information, complaint, indictment or delinquency petition, charging a crime of domestic violence or charging an attempt to commit a crime of domestic violence; OR
  - ☐ an adjudication of delinquency, a finding of guilt based upon a plea, or a finding of guilt after a trial for a crime of domestic battery; OR
  - ☐ any disposition order issued under Section 5-710 of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987, the imposition of supervision, conditional discharge, probation, periodic imprisonment, parole, aftercare release, or mandatory supervised release for a crime of domestic violence or an attempt to commit a crime of domestic violence, or imprisonment in conjunction with a bond forfeiture warrant; OR
  - ☐ the entry of a protective order in a separate civil case brought by Petitioner against Respondent.

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THIS ORDER OF PROTECTION**

**TO BOTH PARTIES:** This *Order* CANNOT BE CHANGED OR VACATED unless you have a hearing. To have a hearing, Petitioner or Respondent must do the following:

1. File a written motion with the Circuit Clerk that lists the reasons why you want to change or vacate this *Order*;
2. Get a time for the hearing from the Circuit Clerk; AND
3. Provide the other party with a copy of your motion and notify them in writing of the time and place of the hearing.

**TO RESPONDENT:** The Court has granted this *Order*. If you do not obey this *Order*, you could be arrested and charged with a crime.

- Petitioner cannot give you legal permission to change this *Order*. Only the Court can change this *Order*. If you have contact with Petitioner that is prohibited by this *Order*, you may be arrested.
- If you and Petitioner want to have contact with each other again, you must ask the Court to modify or dismiss this *Order of Protection*.
- Unless the Court changes or dismisses this *Order*, you can be arrested for violating this *Order of Protection*.

You have notice that Petitioner has asked for an *Order of Protection*. You must appear in court on the date in this order if you want to try to prevent the entry of a *long-term Order of Protection*. If you do not, a *long-term Order of Protection* may be issued against you.

If you want to contest the *Short-Term Order of Protection* you must:

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• File a motion with the court stating:                             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) you did not receive prior notice, and</li> <li>2) you have a valid defense to the <i>Order</i>, OR</li> <li>3) the <i>Order</i>, or any of its remedies, was not authorized under the law.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• File a written notice with the court stating You have a meritorious (<i>valid</i>) defense.</li> <li>• Written notice must include an Affidavit providing the evidence of your meritorious (<i>valid</i>) defense. You must bring this evidence to the hearing.</li> </ul>

Any knowing violation of an *Order of Protection* forbidding physical abuse, neglect, exploitation, harassment, intimidation, interference with personal liberty, willful deprivation, or entering or remaining present at specified places when any Protected Persons are present, or granting exclusive possession of the residence or household or granting a stay away order is a Class A misdemeanor. Grants of exclusive possession of the residence or household shall constitute notice forbidding trespass to land. Any knowing violation of an order awarding parental responsibility (formerly custody) or care of a child or prohibiting removal or concealment of a child may be a Class 4 felony. Any willful violation of any order contempt of court. Any violation may result in fine or imprisonment.

**TO PETITIONER:** You cannot change the terms of this *Order* by your words or actions.

- If the Court has ordered no contact or given you sole possession of the residence, only the Court can allow the Respondent to contact you or return to the residence.
- If you want to have contact with the Respondent again, you **MUST** ask the Court, in a written motion to change vacate this *Order of Protection*.
- If you wish to ask the court for a *Plenary Order of Protection* which could be in force for up to two years, you **MUST APPEAR** in court on the date set for a hearing, which is listed on page 1 of this *Order*.

**TO PARENTS OR GUARDIANS OF MINOR RESPONDENTS:** The Court may hold you in contempt of court if a minor respondent in your care violates this *Order* and you have helped, encouraged, or directed the minor to do so.

#### **NOTICE ABOUT ENFORCEMENT:**

This *Order of Protection* is enforceable, even without registration, in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, tribal lands, and the U.S. Territories pursuant to the Violence Against Women Act (18 U.S.C. § 2265), provided notice this *Order of Protection* has been provided to the Respondent. Violating this *Order of Protection* may subject the Respondent to state and/or federal charges and punishment. 18 U.S.C. §§ 2261-2262. This *Order* is directed to the Respondent. Except under accountability circumstances, which should be assessed by the Attorney, Petitioner cannot be guilty of violation of an *Order of Protection*.

#### **DEFINITION OF TERMS USED IN THIS ORDER**

These definitions are incorporated in and made a part of the *Order* to which they are attached.

1. **Abuse:** "Abuse" means physical abuse, harassment, intimidation of a dependent, interference with personal liberty, or willful deprivation but does not include reasonable direction of a minor child by a parent or person *in loco parentis*.
2. **Adult with Disabilities:** "Adult with Disabilities" means an elder adult with disabilities or a high-risk adult with disabilities. A person may be an adult with

disabilities for purposes of this Act even though he or she has never been adjudicated an incompetent adult. However, no court proceeding may be initiated or continued on behalf of an adult with disabilities over that adult's objection, unless such proceeding is approved by his or her legal guardian, if any.

3. **Elder Adult with Disabilities:** "Elder adult with disabilities" means an adult prevented by advanced age from taking appropriate action to protect himself herself from abuse by a family or household member.
4. **Exploitation:** "Exploitation" means the illegal, including tortious, use of a high-risk adult with disabilities or of the assets or resources of a high-risk adult with disabilities. Exploitation includes, but is not limited to, the misappropriation of assets or resources of a high-risk adult with disabilities by undue influence, by breach of a fiduciary relationship, by fraud, deception, or extortion, or the use of such assets or resources in a manner contrary to law.
5. **Family or Household Members:** Include spouses, former spouses, parents, children, stepchildren and other persons related by blood or by present or marriage, persons who share or formerly shared a common dwelling, persons who have or allegedly have a child in common, persons who share or allegedly share a blood relationship through a child, persons who have or have had a dating or engagement relationship, persons with disabilities and their assistants, and caregivers as defined in Section 12-4.4a of the Criminal Code of 2012. For purposes of this paragraph, neither a casual acquaintanceship nor ordinary fraternization between two individuals in business or social contexts shall be deemed to constitute a dating relationship. In the case of a high-risk adult with disabilities, "family or household members" includes any person who has the responsibility for a high-risk adult as a result of a family relationship or who has assumed responsibility for all or a portion of the care of a high-risk adult with disabilities voluntarily, or by express or implied contract, or by court order.
6. **Harassment:** "Harassment" means knowing conduct which is not necessary to accomplish a purpose that is reasonable under the circumstances, would cause a reasonable person emotional distress, and does cause emotional distress to Petitioner. Unless the presumption is rebutted by a preponderance of the evidence, the following types of conduct shall be presumed to cause emotional distress:
  - a. creating a disturbance at Petitioner's place of employment or school; or
  - b. repeatedly telephoning Petitioner's place of employment, home or residence; or
  - c. repeatedly following Petitioner about in a public place or places; or
  - d. repeatedly keeping Petitioner under surveillance by remaining present outside his or her home, school, place of employment, vehicle or other place occupied by Petitioner or by peering in Petitioner's windows; or
  - e. improperly concealing a minor child from Petitioner, repeatedly threatening to improperly remove a minor child of Petitioner's from the jurisdiction or from the physical care of Petitioner, repeatedly threatening to conceal a minor child from Petitioner, or making a single such threat following an actual or attempted improper removal or concealment, unless Respondent was fleeing an incident or pattern of domestic violence; or
  - f. threatening physical force, confinement, or restraint on one or more occasions.
7. **High-risk Adult with Disabilities:** "High-risk adult with disabilities" means a person aged 18 or over whose physical or mental disability impairs his or her ability to seek or obtain protection from abuse, neglect, or exploitation.
8. **Interference with Personal Liberty:** "Interference with personal liberty" means committing or threatening physical abuse, harassment, intimidation, or willful deprivation so as to compel another to engage in conduct from which she or he has a right to abstain or to refrain from conduct in which she or he has a right to engage.
9. **Intimidation of a Dependent:** "Intimidation of a dependent" means subjecting a person who is dependent because of age, health, or disability to participation in or the witnessing of: physical force against another or physical confinement or restraint of another which constitutes physical abuse as defined in this Act, regardless of whether the abused person is a family or household member.
10. **Neglect:** "Neglect" means the failure to exercise that degree of care toward a high-risk adult with disabilities which a reasonable person would exercise under the circumstances and includes but is not limited to:
  - a. the failure to take reasonable steps to protect a high-risk adult with disabilities from acts of abuse; or
  - b. the repeated, careless imposition of unreasonable confinement; or
  - c. the failure to provide food, shelter, clothing, and personal hygiene to a high-risk adult with disabilities who requires such assistance; or
  - d. the failure to provide medical and rehabilitative care for the physical and mental health needs of a high-risk adult with disabilities; or
  - e. the failure to protect a high-risk adult with disabilities from health and safety hazards.Nothing in this definition shall be construed to impose a requirement that assistance be provided to a high-risk adult with disabilities over his or her objection in the absence of a court order, nor to create any new affirmative duty to provide support to a high-risk adult with disabilities.
11. **Petitioner:** "Petitioner" may mean not only any named petitioner for the order of protection and any named victim of abuse on whose behalf the petition is brought, but also any other person protected by this Act.
12. **Physical Abuse:** "Physical abuse" includes sexual abuse and means any of the following:
  - a. knowing or reckless use of physical force, confinement or restraint; or
  - b. knowing, repeated and unnecessary sleep deprivation; or
  - c. knowing or reckless conduct which creates an immediate risk of physical harm.
13. **Stalking:** "Stalking" means knowingly and without lawful justification, on at least two (2) separate occasions, following another person or placing the person under surveillance or any combination thereof and:
  - a. at any time transmitting a threat of immediate or future bodily harm, sexual assault, confinement or restraint, and the threat is directed towards that person or a family member of that person; or
  - b. placing that person in reasonable apprehension of immediate or future bodily harm, sexual assault, confinement or restraint; or
  - c. placing that person in reasonable apprehension that a family member will receive immediate or future bodily harm, sexual assault, confinement, or restraint.
14. **Willful Deprivation:** "Willful deprivation" means willfully denying a person who because of age, health or disability requires medication, medical care, shelter, food, therapeutic device, or other physical assistance, and thereby exposing that person to the risk of physical, mental or emotional harm, except with regard to medical care or treatment when the dependent person has expressed an intent to forego such medical care or treatment. This paragraph does not create any new affirmative duty to provide support to dependent persons.