

STATE OF ILLINOIS CIRCUIT COURT _____ COUNTY	PETITION FOR ORDER OF PROTECTION	_____ Case Number
Instructions ▼ Directly above, enter the name of county where you will file the case. Enter your name as Petitioner. Check the boxes for ALL people you want to include in the <i>Order</i> . 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. Enter name of the person you are seeking protection from as Respondent. The Circuit Clerk will add a Case Number.	Petitioner: _____ <i>(First, middle, last name)</i> People to be Protected by this <i>Order</i> (check all that apply): <input type="checkbox"/> Petitioner <input type="checkbox"/> Petitioner's minor children with Respondent: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Petitioner's minor children not related to Respondent: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Dependent adult: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> High risk adult: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other household members: _____ _____ _____ _____ v. Respondent _____ <i>(First, middle, last name)</i>	<i>For Court Use Only</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Independent <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile <input type="checkbox"/> Other Civil Proceeding

NOTE:	If you are completing this form for a minor child, dependent adult, or high risk adult, insert information needed below as if you were that person. In other words, do not use your information, except as directed at the bottom of page 10 where you will sign this form.
Check 1 if you want an <i>Order of Protection</i> right now. Check 2 if you want a court date to come back and ask for your <i>Order</i> . Respondent will get notice and a copy of this <i>Petition</i> before the hearing if you check 2 . In 1 , enter the address where you want to receive Court notices. If you do not want Respondent to know where you live enter a different address where you can get mail. By adding your email, you agree to receive court documents by email.	TYPE OF ORDER OF PROTECTION REQUESTED AGAINST RESPONDENT <input type="checkbox"/> 1. <i>Emergency Order of Protection</i> without giving advance written notice to Respondent because advance notice would cause more abuse. <input type="checkbox"/> 2. <i>Order of Protection</i> , but not an emergency order. BACKGROUND INFORMATION 1. <input type="checkbox"/> If Respondent should not know household address because it may cause more abuse. Use this address for Court notices: _____ <i>Street Address, Apt #</i> <i>City</i> <i>State</i> <i>ZIP</i> _____ <i>Email</i> OR <input type="checkbox"/> Respondent knows household address and it is: _____ <i>Street Address, Apt #</i> <i>City</i> <i>State</i> <i>ZIP</i> _____ <i>Email</i>

In 2, if you do not know Respondent's date of birth or Respondent's home or work address, write "do not know."

2. Respondent's Information

Respondent's date of birth: _____

Respondent's home address: _____

Street Address, Apt # City State ZIP

Respondent's work information: _____

Employer Street Address City State ZIP

In 3, check all the boxes that describe your relationship to Respondent.

3. Petitioner's Relationship to Respondent (*check all that apply*)

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

Answer Sections 4 and 5 the best you can. If you check 'yes' but do not know some of the information asked for, then write "do not know."

In 4 or 5 if you need more room, check the box, fill out the *Additional Case Information* form and file it with this *Petition*.

In 5, list all other types of court cases that you have been involved in with Respondent, such as divorce, custody, child support, paternity, parenting time, guardianship, adoption, and abuse and neglect cases.

In 6, check all boxes that are true.

4. Is there now, or has there ever been, another *Order of Protection* entered against Respondent involving Petitioner? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Do not know

If yes, list information about the cases:

Names of People Involved	State & County	Year

☐ I have listed additional case information on the *Additional Case Information* form.

5. Is there now, or has there ever been, another court case with Respondent involving Petitioner? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Do not know If yes, list information about the cases:

Type of Case	State & County	Year

☐ I have listed additional case information on the *Additional Case Information* form.

6. This *Petition* may be filed in this county because (*check all that apply*):

- ☐ Petitioner resides here.
☐ Respondent resides here.
☐ The abuse happened here.
☐ Petitioner fled here to avoid abuse.

In 7, start with what happened most recently. Enter the date and time and describe what happened.

Be as specific about dates and times as you can. You can include any past abuse and any criminal convictions that resulted.

If you don't remember exact dates of things that happened long ago, just enter the month and year.

7. An *Order of Protection* is needed because Respondent did these things:

Date: _____ Time: _____ What happened: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____ What happened: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____ What happened: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____ What happened: _____

If you need more room, fill out the *Additional Incidents of Abuse* form or your own extra pages and file it with this *Petition*.

☐ I have attached the *Additional Incidents of Abuse* form or my own extra pages.

PROTECTIONS REQUESTED BY PETITIONER

Part A. PERSONAL PROTECTION

In **A1**, check box 1 and each box below for each type of abuse you want to prevent. If you are unsure what the words after the boxes mean, you can look at definitions on the last page of this form.

In **A2**, read the information in the box below and make sure that is what you want. If so, check box 2 and each box below that applies.

☐ 1. No Abuse

Respondent be ordered not to threaten or commit the following acts of abuse towards

Petitioner (*check all that apply*):

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| <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. No Contact with Petitioner (*see box below*)

Respondent be ordered to (*check all that apply*):

- ☐ Not have any communication with Petitioner.
- ☐ Stay away from Petitioner at all times.

IMPORTANT:

If ordered to stay away from Petitioner, 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*.

In **A3**, check if you want Respondent to stay away from places you need to go.

Check the boxes next to each kind of place you want Respondent to stay away from. List the correct address for each place.

NOTE: Respondent will see these addresses.

☐ 3. Stay Away from Certain Places

Respondent be ordered not to be or stay at any of these places while Petitioner is there: (*check all that apply*)

☐ Residence located at: _____

<i>Street Address, Apt #</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip</i>
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☐ Places of employment of Petitioner, located at:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Street Address</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip</i>
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<i>Name</i>	<i>Street Address</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip</i>
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☐ Schools, kindergartens, or daycare centers of Petitioner, located at:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Street Address</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip</i>
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<i>Name</i>	<i>Street Address</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip</i>
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☐ Other locations:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Street Address</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip</i>
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<i>Name</i>	<i>Street Address</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip</i>
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In **B**, check **B1** if you want Respondent to stay away from your home or provide alternative housing.

In **B1a**, check if you want Respondent to stay away from the place you are living at all times.

If you did not list your actual address on page 1, write "PROTECTED ADDRESS" instead.

Then check a reason why Respondent should not be allowed to be or stay at the place you are living.

In **B1b**, check if you live with Respondent and you want them to provide you with a different place to live.

In **B1c**, check if you want Respondent to be allowed at your place only when sober.

In **B2**, check if you want your things protected from Respondent. Check **B2a**, then list things you want to keep.

Check **B2b** if Respondent has some or all of the property you listed in **B2a**. List the things you want back. Check all boxes below that list which apply to your case.

In **B2c**, check if you have things that Respondent may need immediately. Then check the boxes that fit your case and list any other items.

In **B2d**, check if Respondent can enter the residence once to get their things.

Check **B3** if you checked **B2b** or **B2c**. Enter the address where you want the transfer to happen.

PART B. PROPERTY

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

☐ 1. Residence of Petitioner (*check only a, b, or c*)

☐ a. Exclusive Possession of Residence

Petitioner be granted exclusive possession of the residence and Respondent be ordered not to be or stay at this residence located at:

Street Address, Apt # *City* *State* *Zip*

BECAUSE (*check one*):

- ☐ Petitioner has a right to occupy the residence and Respondent has no right; OR
☐ Petitioner and Respondent both have a right to occupy the residence but it would be harder on Petitioner to leave.

☐ b. Alternate Housing

Respondent be ordered to provide a different place for Petitioner to live because the parties share a residence.

☐ c. No Entry or Presence Under Influence

Respondent be ordered not to be or stay at Petitioner's residence while under the influence of drugs or alcohol. This would be a threat to the safety or well-being of Petitioner or Petitioner's children.

☐ 2. Possession of Personal Property (*check all that apply*)

☐ a. Petitioner be awarded possession of this property:

☐ b. Respondent be ordered to give Petitioner this property:

BECAUSE (*check all that apply*):

- ☐ Petitioner, but not Respondent, owns the property.
☐ 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.

☐ The parties are married and a divorce case ☐ has ☐ has not been filed.

- ☐ c. Respondent be awarded possession of: ☐ clothing, ☐ medicine, AND/OR
☐ other personal property(*list*):

- ☐ d. Respondent be given the right to enter the residence once to retrieve their property, but only in the presence of law enforcement or another person.

☐ 3. Transfer of Personal Property

Property to be transferred at:

Street Address, Apt # *City* *State* *ZIP*

In **B3**, check who you want to be there when it happens and enter that person's name. It may be safer if the transfer is in the presence of a law enforcement officer.

Enter the date and time you want to transfer these things.

In **B4**, check if you checked **B1** or **B2** above. Use the blank lines to add anything you want protected.

Then, check all the boxes below the lines that apply to your case.

In **B5**, check to stop Respondent from using an elderly person's money or property for themselves.

In **B6**, check to protect your pets from Respondent.

In **B7**, check if you are on Respondent's cell phone plan and you want to separate your account. Enter the provider name and telephone numbers.

In **C**, if Respondent attends the same school as Petitioner, check this box and enter the school. Then check the box that applies to your case.

In **D1**, check if you want to ask for guns to be taken away and Respondent is a current intimate partner of Petitioner and represents a threat to the physical safety of Petitioner or Petitioner's child.

Property to be transferred in the presence of (*check one*):

☐ Law enforcement: _____
Name of law enforcement agency

to be arranged with law enforcement.

☐ Another person: _____
Name

Transfer Date: _____ Time: _____

☐ 4. Restrictions on Property

Respondent be ordered not to take, damage, or otherwise dispose of this property:

BECAUSE (*check all that apply*):

☐ Petitioner, but not Respondent, owns the property.

☐ Petitioner and Respondent both own the property. Not having the property would be harder on Petitioner.

☐ The parties are married and a divorce case ☐ has ☐ has not been filed.

☐ 5. Restriction on Resources

Respondent be ordered not to use financial or other resources of an aged Petitioner for the benefit of Respondent or any other person.

☐ 6. Possession of Animals

Petitioner be awarded possession of these animals:

Name and description of each animal

☐ 7. Telephone Services

Order a wireless telephone provider to transfer to Petitioner the right to use and be responsible for the cost of phone numbers. Petitioner, or a minor child in Petitioner's custody, uses the telephone numbers.

Name of Provider: _____

Name of Account Holder: _____

Petitioner's Phone #: _____

Petitioner's Phone #: _____

Petitioner's Phone #: _____

PART C. SCHOOL RESTRICTIONS

☐ 1. Respondent be ordered (*check one*):

☐ Not to attend Petitioner's school for as long as Petitioner is enrolled there;

☐ To accept a change of placement or program at Petitioner's school, as determined by the public school district or by a private or non-public school; OR

☐ Not to be present in these parts of Petitioner's school: _____

_____, is an elementary, middle, or
School Name

high school attended by both Respondent and Petitioner for whom protection is sought.

PART D. FIREARMS (*available ONLY after actual notice to Respondent*)

☐ 1. Respondent be ordered to turn over all firearms in their possession because they are a former or current intimate partner of the Petitioner and represents a threat to the physical safety of Petitioner or Petitioner's child.

Then check all boxes that fit your case.
NOTE: A judge can only order guns to be taken away at a hearing where Respondent is present or has been given formal written notice.

In **E**, check if you want to ask for temporary support, payment for money losses caused by abuse, or shelter reimbursement.

NOTE: A judge can only order economic remedies be awarded at a hearing where Respondent is present or has been given formal written notice.

In **E1**, check if you want Respondent to give you money to help you or children you have together. If you have it, bring proof of income to the next court date.

In **E2**, check all boxes that apply to your case. If you know, enter the amount of the cost in the blank. If you are not sure, you can estimate. Bring receipts and estimates of repairs to court if you have them.

In **E3**, check if you are in a domestic violence shelter and you want Respondent to pay for your stay there.

In **F**, check **F1** if you want Respondent to get evaluation and treatment and all the boxes under it that apply to your case.

NOTE: A judge can only order counseling at a hearing where Respondent is present or has been given formal written notice.

In addition, Respondent (*check all that apply*):

- ☐ Has a history of violence.
- ☐ Has a history of possession or use of firearms.
- ☐ Carries a firearm on their person or in a vehicle.

Make and model of vehicle: _____

- ☐ May be a threat to the safety of the public or police officer.
- ☐ Is now or has been suicidal.

PART E. ECONOMIC REMEDIES (*available ONLY after actual notice to Respondent*)

- ☐ 1. Temporary Support (*check all that apply*)

Respondent be ordered to pay support as follows:

- ☐ Respondent pay temporary child support
- ☐ Respondent pay temporary maintenance

- ☐ 2. Payment for Losses because of Abuse

☐ Respondent be ordered to pay Petitioner for losses caused by abuse, neglect, or exploitation, including:

- ☐ Medical expenses..... \$ _____
- ☐ Lost earnings..... \$ _____
- ☐ Repair or replace property damaged or taken..... \$ _____
- ☐ Moving and other travel expenses..... \$ _____
- ☐ Reasonable expenses for housing other than a domestic violence shelter..... \$ _____
- ☐ Expenses for search and recovery of children..... \$ _____
- ☐ Other: _____ \$ _____

- ☐ 3. Shelter Reimbursement

Respondent be ordered to reimburse a shelter providing temporary housing or counseling to Petitioner..... \$ _____

Part F. COUNSELING (*available ONLY after actual notice to Respondent*)

- ☐ 1. Respondent be ordered to participate in the following (*check all that apply*):

- ☐ Domestic violence intervention.
- ☐ An alcohol and substance abuse evaluation and to successfully complete all recommendations.
- ☐ A mental health evaluation and to successfully complete all recommendations.
- ☐ Other (*please specify*):

Petitioner:

Fill out Part G only if you have children younger than 18 with Respondent.

In **G1**, enter the names of all children under age 18 that you and Respondent have together.

Check the box after each child if you want to protect them from Respondent.

Check **G2** and check the box for the person who takes care of the children most of the time. If the primary caretaker of the children is someone other than you or Respondent, check the box for "Other person" and enter that person's name and address.

Check **G3** if you are protecting children you and Respondent have together. Check the boxes that apply to your case and fill in the information.

If you do not want Respondent to know where the children go to school, do not list it. Instead, check the last box and fill out the *Confidential Name & Location of the School or Childcare Provider* form, and file it with the Circuit Clerk as "confidential."

Check **G4**, if you want significant decision-making responsibility (formerly custody). Check the boxes that apply to your case.

NOTE: A judge can only order temporary significant decision-making at a hearing where Respondent is present or has been given formal written notice.

In **G5**, check box **G5a**, **b**, or **c** to let the court know if, how, and when Respondent should have parenting time.

Part G. REMEDIES INVOLVING CHILDREN OF BOTH PARTIES

- ☐ 1. Respondent and Petitioner are both the parents of these minor children:

Child's Name (<i>first, middle, last</i>)	Age	State of Residence	Included as a Person to be Protected	
			<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

- ☐ 2. The primary caretaker of the minor children is (*check one*):

- ☐ Petitioner
☐ Respondent
☐ Other person: _____

Name

Street Address, Apt #

City

State

ZIP

- ☐ 3. Care and Possession of Children

Petitioner requests the following (*check all that apply*):

- ☐ Petitioner be granted physical care and possession of the minor children.
☐ Respondent be ordered to return the minor children to the physical care of Petitioner or other person.
☐ Respondent be ordered to not remove the minor children from the physical care of Petitioner or from a school or childcare provider. The name of school or childcare provider is: _____

- ☐ I have given the name and location of the school or childcare provider on the *Confidential Name & Location of the School or Childcare Provider* form.

- ☐ 4. Temporary Significant Decision-Making Responsibility (*formerly custody*) (*available ONLY after actual notice to Respondent*) (*check all that apply*)

Petitioner requests temporary significant decision-making responsibility for the minor children.

- ☐ The children of the parties were born before or during the marriage, or within 300 days of termination of the marriage.
☐ The parties are NOT married and paternity HAS NOT been established.
☐ The parties are NOT married but paternity HAS been established by one or more of the following:

- Both parties are listed as parents on an Illinois birth certificate
- Both parties have signed a Voluntary Acknowledgment of Paternity
- A court or administrative order
- Other: _____

- ☐ 5. Parenting time with Minor Children (*formerly visitation*) (*check a, b, or c*)

Petitioner requests that the court order parenting time as follows:

- a. ☐ DENY OR ☐ RESTRICT for Respondent, because Respondent is likely to (*check all apply*)

In **G5a**, check to limit parenting time. "Deny" means Respondent can have no visits at all. "Restrict" means visits with some rules.

If you checked "Deny" in **G5a**, skip to **G6**. In **G5b**, if you want Respondent to have parenting time, check **G5b**. If you know what the schedule should be, either attach it and check **G5b1** or pick your parenting time schedule in **G5b2**. Enter when, where, and how you want parenting time to happen and fill in the blanks with specific times, days, and other information. Include a.m. or p.m.

State who will be responsible for the transportation for parenting time.

Enter the name or address of the place where pickup and return will take place.

Enter the address of the place where the parenting time will take place.

If you want someone to supervise parenting time, enter that person's name on the line. The *Affidavit of Parenting Time Supervisor* form must be completed and signed by the supervisor.

In **G5c**, check if you do not want parenting time decided now.

In **G6**, check if you are afraid Respondent will hide your children or take them out of state.

- ☐ 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.

If you checked **DENY** in **5a**, skip to **G6**.

b. ☐ GRANT parenting time for Respondent (check 1 or 2):

- ☐ 1. See attached parenting time schedule; OR
- ☐ 2. The following parenting time schedule (check all that apply):
- ☐ Every _____ from _____ to _____
Week days 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 Sunday at _____
- ☐ from Saturday at _____ to Saturday at _____
- ☐ from Sunday at _____ to Sunday at _____
- ☐ Parenting time is to begin on: _____
Date
- ☐ Holidays from: _____ to _____
Time Time

On each of these holidays:

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

☐ Pickup for parenting time to take place at:

Street Address City State

☐ Return from parenting time to take place at:

Street Address City State

☐ Parenting time will take place at:

Street Address City State

☐ Parenting time will be supervised by: _____,
Name of Supervisor

who has filed or will file an *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).

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

c. ☐ RESERVE parenting time until a later hearing (this means the Court will not make ANY decisions on parenting time at this time).

☐ 6. No Concealment or Removal of Children

Respondent be ordered not to hide the children or remove them from Illinois.

In **G7**, check if Respondent has your children and you want them to be with you.

In **G8**, check if you do not want Respondent to get your children's school records or other records. These records could provide Respondent with your protected address. Check all boxes that apply to your case.

Check 1 if there are other things you want Respondent to do or to stop doing. List those things on the lines.

Explain the reasons on the lines after “Because.”

- ☐ 7. Appear with Children (*check all that apply*)
- Respondent be ordered to appear in court with the children
- ☐ To prevent abuse, neglect, removal or concealment of the children.
- ☐ To return the children to Petitioner.
- ☐ To permit a court-ordered interview or examination of the children or Respondent.
- ☐ 8. Children's Records
- Respondent not be allowed to access, inspect, or obtain school records, healthcare records, or any other records of the children BECAUSE (*check all that apply*):
- ☐ Petitioner is requesting that Respondent not be allowed to have contact with the minor children.
- ☐ The actual address of Petitioner is not included in this *Petition* due to the risk of further abuse.
- ☐ It is necessary to prevent abuse or wrongful removal or concealment of the children.

MISCELLANEOUS REMEDIES

- ☐ 1. Respondent be ordered to:

BECAUSE:

Under the Code of Civil Procedure, [735 ILCS 5/1-109](#), making a statement on this form that you know to be false is perjury, a Class 3 Felony.

After you finish this form, sign and print your name as Petitioner.

If you are completing this form on a computer, sign your name by typing it. If you are completing it by hand, sign and print your name.

If prepared by someone other than Petitioner, that person should enter their name, address, and phone.

I certify that everything in the *Petition for Order of Protection* is true and correct. I understand that making a false statement on this form is perjury and has penalties provided by law under [735 ILCS 5/1-109](#).

/s/ _____
Petitioner Signature

Petitioner Name

Prepared by: _____
 Street Address: _____
 City, State, ZIP: _____
 Phone Number: _____

DEFINITION OF TERMS USED IN THIS PETITION

These definitions are incorporated in and made a part of the *Petition* 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 or 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 prior 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 personal 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.