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EMERGENCY WEEKEND AND HOLIDAY FILING OF INJUNCTIONS FOR PROTECTION AGAINST SEXUAL VIOLENCE

PLEASE READ THE INFORMATION IN THE PACKET COMPLETELY and be sure you understand it before proceeding.

This procedure is intended for emergency situations only. If this is not an emergency, you may come to the Violence Protection Division of the Manatee County Clerk of the Circuit Court in the Historic Courthouse, 1115 Manatee Avenue West, any business day between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

If you need to file the Injunction BEFORE the next regular business day, you should:

1. Take your completed papers to the Manatee County Sheriff's Office at 600 US Highway 301 Boulevard West, Bradenton.
2. Have the papers at the Sheriff's office by 6:00 a.m. on Saturday, Sunday, or the legal holiday. Be sure a Deputy has sworn you in before you leave the Sheriff's Department, and **take these instructions with you** when you leave.
3. **RETURN TO PICK UP YOUR PAPERS to be informed of your hearing date and time.** A judge will review your papers early that morning and, if a temporary injunction is issued, your copies will be ready for you to pick up between 10:30 a.m. and 12:00 noon. If you cannot return to pick up your copies on the weekend or holiday, contact the Clerk of Court, Violence Protection Division at 941-741-4024 about the status of your case. You will need a copy of the injunction to show law enforcement if the respondent violates the injunction.

It is important that the forms be as complete as possible before you take them to the Sheriff's office. If the forms are not complete, or your petition does not include evidence sufficient to meet the requirements of the law, the judge may not grant the injunction. **Sheriff's Office personnel are not trained to help you.**

You may decide to take advantage of the assistance of the Violence Protection Division in filing this Injunction. If so, come to our office in the Historic Courthouse, 1115 Manatee Avenue West, on the next regular business day, or call 941-741-4024 for more information.

TAKE THESE INSTRUCTIONS WITH YOU WHEN YOU LEAVE THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

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INJUNCTION FOR PROTECTION AGAINST SEXUAL VIOLENCE

FLORIDA STATUTE 784.046

An **INJUNCTION** is a Court Order (signed by a judge), which tells someone to do or not do something. An Injunction for Protection Against Sexual Violence is designed to protect you from further violence by someone who has committed sexual violence against you.

PUBLIC RECORD

In most cases, the documents filed are public record and viewable to anyone wishing to see them. (Information which reveals the identity of a victim of a sexual offense is not public record.) The respondent will receive a copy of all the documents you fill out.

COURT APPEARANCE

By filing this injunction you are filing a case in Civil Court and will be expected to appear in court to testify before a judge. When you file your petition, you will be given a number to call later in the day. You must call back to check on the status of your case.

WE WILL NOT CONTACT YOU. If the judge sets a hearing in your case, you must return to this office to pick up your copies and find out the date of your hearing. If you miss your hearing, your case may be dismissed.

Please do not write on the backs of any of the sheets. If you need more space to write, use additional sheets of the same size paper. Do not sign anything until you appear before a Deputy Clerk or Notary.

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VIOLENCE PROTECTION INFORMATION TRACKING SHEET

Today's Date _____ Clerk's Office Case number _____

PETITIONER _____ **DOB** _____

Contact Number: _____

How are you related to the respondent? _____

RESPONDENT _____ **DOB** _____

Physical Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Will either of you need an interpreter at the hearing? Yes _____ No _____

For You? _____ Respondent? _____ Both? _____

Spanish _____ Deaf _____ Other (Specify) _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Case Type: DVWC DVWOC REPEAT SEXUAL DATING STALKING

Court Order: Temp. Inj. Hearing Denial

Judge: _____

Hearing Date: _____ Time: _____

Served: _____ Unexed: _____

Phone number for out of state service: _____

Appeared At Hearing: Petitioner: _____ Respondent: _____

(Indicate If Either Party Appeared By Phone Or If Either Party Is In Jail)

Petitioner Attorney: _____ Advocate: _____

Respondent Attorney: _____

CPS/DCF contacted _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA FAMILY LAW RULES OF PROCEDURE FORM 12.928, COVER SHEET FOR FAMILY COURT CASES (11/13)

When should this form be used?

The Cover Sheet for Family Court Cases and the information contained in it neither replace nor supplement the filing and service of pleadings or other documents as required by law. This form shall be filed by the petitioner/party opening or reopening a case for the use of the **clerk of the circuit court** for the purpose of reporting judicial workload data pursuant to Florida Statutes section 25.075.

This form should be typed or printed in black ink. The petitioner must **file** this cover sheet with the first pleading or motion filed to open or reopen a case in all domestic and juvenile cases.

What should I do next?

Follow these instructions for completing the form:

- I. Case Style. Enter the name of the court, the appropriate case number assigned at the time of filing of the original petition, the name of the judge assigned (if applicable), and **the name (last, first, middle initial) of the petitioner(s) and respondent(s)**.
- II. Type of Action /Proceeding. Place a check beside the proceeding you are initiating. If you are simultaneously filing more than one type of proceeding against the same opposing party, such as a modification and an enforcement proceeding, complete a separate cover sheet for each action being filed.

(A) Initial Action/Petition (This is pre-checked for you.)

(B) Reopening Case. If you check "Reopening Case," indicate whether you are filing a modification or supplemental petition or an action for enforcement by placing a check beside the appropriate action/petition.

1. Modification/Supplemental Petition
2. Motion for Civil Contempt/ Enforcement
3. Other – All reopening actions not involving modification/supplemental petitions or petition enforcement.

III. Type of Case. Place a check beside the appropriate case. If the case fits more than one category, select the most definitive. Definitions of the categories are provided below.

- (A) Simplified Dissolution of Marriage- petitions for the termination of marriage pursuant to Florida Family Law Rule of Procedure 12.105.
- (B) Dissolution of Marriage - petitions for the termination of marriage pursuant to Chapter 61, Florida Statutes, other than simplified dissolution.
- (C) Domestic Violence - all matters relating to injunctions for protection against domestic violence pursuant to section 741.30, Florida Statutes.

- (D) Dating Violence - all matters relating to injunctions for protection against dating violence pursuant to section 784.046, Florida Statutes.
- (E) Repeat Violence - all matters relating to injunctions for protection against repeat violence pursuant to section 784.046, Florida Statutes.
- (F) Sexual Violence - all matters relating to injunctions for protection against sexual violence pursuant to section 784.046, Florida Statutes. (This is pre-checked for you.)**
- (G) Stalking-all matters relating to injunctions for protection against stalking pursuant to section 784.0485, Florida Statutes
- (H) Support - IV-D - all matters relating to child or spousal support in which an application for assistance has been filed with the Department of Revenue, Child Support Enforcement under Title IV-D, Social Security Act, except for such matters relating to dissolution of marriage petitions (sections 409.2564, 409.2571, and 409.2597, Florida Statutes), paternity, or UIFSA.
- (I) Support-Non IV-D - all matters relating to child or spousal support in which an application for assistance has **not** been filed under Title IV-D, Social Security Act.
- (J) UIFSA- IV-D - all matters relating to Chapter 88, Florida Statutes, in which an application for assistance has been filed under Title IV-D, Social Security Act.
- (K) UIFSA - Non IV-D - all matters relating to Chapter 88, Florida Statutes, in which an application for assistance has **not** been filed under Title IV-D, Social Security Act.
- (L) Other Family Court - all matters involving time-sharing and/or parenting plans relating to minor child(ren), support unconnected with dissolution of marriage, annulment, delayed birth certificates pursuant to Florida Statutes section 382.0195, expedited affirmation of parental status pursuant to Florida Statutes section 742.16, termination of parental rights proceedings pursuant to Florida Statutes section 63.087, declaratory judgment actions related to premarital, marital, post-marital agreements, or other matters not included in the categories above.
- (M) Adoption Arising Out Of Chapter 63 - all matters relating to adoption pursuant to Chapter 63, Florida Statutes, excluding any matters arising out of Chapter 39, Florida Statutes.
- (N) Name Change - all matters relating to name change, pursuant to section 68.07, Florida Statutes.
- (O) Paternity/Disestablishment of Paternity – all matters relating to paternity pursuant to Chapter 742, Florida Statutes.
- (P) Juvenile Delinquency - all matters relating to juvenile delinquency pursuant to Chapter 985, Florida Statutes.
- (Q) Petition for Dependency - all matters relating to petitions for dependency.
- (R) Shelter Petition – all matters relating to shelter petitions pursuant to Chapter 39, Florida Statutes.
- (S) Termination of Parental Rights Arising Out Of Chapter 39 – all matters relating to termination of parental rights pursuant to Chapter 39, Florida Statutes.
- (T) Adoption Arising Out Of Chapter 39 – all matters relating to adoption pursuant to Chapter 39, Florida Statutes.
- (U) CINS/FINS – all matters relating to children in need of services (and families in need of services) pursuant to Chapter 984, Florida Statutes.

ATTORNEY OR PARTY SIGNATURE. Sign the Cover Sheet for Family Court Cases. Print legibly the name of the person signing the Cover Sheet for Family Court Cases. Attorneys must include a Florida Bar number. Insert the date the Cover Sheet for Family Court Cases is signed. Signature is a certification that filer has provided accurate information on the Cover Sheet for Family Court Cases.

Nonlawyer Remember, a person who is NOT an attorney is called a nonlawyer. If a nonlawyer helps you fill out these forms, that person must give you a copy of **Disclosure from Nonlawyer**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.900(a), before he or she helps you. A nonlawyer helping you fill out these forms also **must** put his or her name, address, and telephone number on the bottom of the last page of every form he or she helps you complete.

Where can I look for more information?

Before proceeding, you should read “General Information for Self-Represented Litigants” found at the beginning of these forms. For further information, see Rule 12.100, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure.

COVER SHEET FOR FAMILY COURT CASES

I. Case Style

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: _____

Judge: _____

Petitioner

and

Respondent

- II. Type of Action/Proceeding. Place a check beside the proceeding you are initiating. If you are simultaneously filing more than one type of proceeding against the same opposing party, such as a modification and an enforcement proceeding, complete a separate cover sheet for each action being filed. **If you are reopening a case, choose one of the three options below it.**

- (A) Initial Action/Petition
(B) Reopening Case
1. Modification/Supplemental Petition
2. Motion for Civil Contempt/Enforcement
3. Other

- III. Type of Case. If the case fits more than one type of case, select the most definitive.

- (A) Simplified Dissolution of Marriage
(B) Dissolution of Marriage
(C) Domestic Violence
(D) Dating Violence
(E) Repeat Violence
(F) Sexual Violence
(G) Stalking
(H) Support IV-D (Department of Revenue, Child Support Enforcement)
(I) Support Non-IV-D (**not** Department of Revenue, Child Support Enforcement)
(J) UIFSA IV-D (Department of Revenue, Child Support Enforcement)
(K) UIFSA Non-IV-D (**not** Department of Revenue, Child Support Enforcement)
(L) Other Family Court
(M) Adoption Arising Out Of Chapter 63
(N) Name Change

- (O) ___ Paternity/Disestablishment of Paternity
- (P) ___ Juvenile Delinquency
- (Q) ___ Petition for Dependency
- (R) ___ Shelter Petition
- (S) ___ Termination of Parental Rights Arising Out Of Chapter 39
- (T) ___ Adoption Arising Out Of Chapter 39
- (U) ___ CINS/FINS

IV. Rule of Judicial Administration 2.545(d) requires that a Notice of Related Cases Form, Family Law Form 12.900(h), be filed with the initial pleading/petition by the filing attorney or self-represented litigant in order to notify the court of related cases. Is Form 12.900(h) being filed with this Cover Sheet for Family Court Cases and initial pleading/petition?

___ No, to the best of my knowledge, no related cases exist.
 ___ Yes, all related cases are listed on Family Law Form 12.900(h).

ATTORNEY OR PARTY SIGNATURE

I CERTIFY that the information I have provided in this cover sheet is accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature _____ FL Bar No.: _____
 Attorney or party (Bar number,if attorney)

 (Type or print name) (E-mail Address(es))

 Date

IF A NONLAWYER HELPED YOU FILL OUT THIS FORM, HE/SHE MUST FILL IN THE BLANKS

BELOW: [fill in **all** blanks]

This form was prepared for the: *{choose only one}* () Petitioner () Respondent

This form was completed with the assistance of:

{name of individual} _____,
{name of business} _____,
{address} _____,
{city} _____, *{state}* _____, *{telephone number}* _____.

LAW ENFORCEMENT INFORMATION SHEET

Case Number: _____

Fill out this information as completely as possible - The Sheriff's office uses this information to serve the respondent. Address, height, weight, date of birth, hair and eye color are required.

Respondent is believed to be located in _____ County.

Name of Respondent

Race

Sex

Date of Birth

Nickname or AKA

Height

Weight

Hair Color

Address

Eyes

Complexion

City

State

Zip

Scars-Tattoos-Facial Hair-Glasses

Home/Cell Phone

Work Phone

Other Locations Respondent may be found

Place of Employment

Vehicle Description (Make-Model-Year-Color-Tag #)

Does Respondent need an Interpreter? Yes No

Does Petitioner need an Interpreter? Yes No

City

State

Zip

If so what type? Spanish _____ Deaf _____
Other _____

Would Respondent be violent to an officer? Yes No

Does respondent have access to weapons? Yes No Unknown What Kind? _____

Does respondent have alcohol or drug problems? Yes No Explain _____

Is respondent in jail? Yes No Where? _____

Other information officer should know? _____

Do you now or have you ever cohabitated with the respondent? Yes No

Name of Petitioner

Date of Birth

Address (omit if confidential)

Home phone - Cell phone - Work phone

City

State

Zip

Emergency contact information (omit if confidential)

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA SUPREME COURT APPROVED FAMILY LAW
FORM 12.980(q)
PETITION FOR INJUNCTION FOR PROTECTION AGAINST SEXUAL
VIOLENCE (11/15)**

When should this form be used?

If you are a victim of **sexual violence** or the parent or legal guardian of a minor child who is living at home and is a victim of sexual violence, you can use this form to ask the court for a protective order prohibiting sexual violence. Sexual violence means any one incident of:

- sexual battery, as defined in Chapter 794, Florida Statutes;
- a lewd or lascivious act, as defined in Chapter 800, Florida Statutes, committed upon or in the presence of a person younger than 16 years of age;
- luring or enticing a child, as described in Chapter 787, Florida Statutes;
- sexual performance by a child, as described in Chapter 827, Florida Statutes; or
- any other forcible felony wherein a sexual act is committed or attempted

In order to get an injunction you must have reported the sexual violence to a law enforcement agency and be cooperating in the criminal proceeding if there is one. It does not matter whether criminal charges based on the sexual violence have been filed, reduced, or dismissed by the state attorney's office. You may also seek an injunction for protection against sexual violence if the respondent was sent to prison for committing one of the sexual violence crimes listed above against you or your minor child living at home and respondent is out of prison or is getting out of prison within 90 days of your petition. Attach the notice of inmate release to your petition.

Because you are making a request to the court, you are called the **petitioner**. The person whom you are asking the court to protect you from is called the **respondent**. If you are seeking an injunction for protection against sexual violence on behalf of a minor child who is living at home, the parent or legal guardian must have been an eyewitness to, or have direct physical evidence or **affidavits** from eyewitnesses of, the specific facts and circumstances that form the basis of the petition. If you are under the age of eighteen and have never been married or had the disabilities of nonage removed by a court, one of your parents or your legal guardian must sign this petition on your behalf.

If the respondent is your **spouse**, former spouse, related to you by blood or marriage, living with you now or has lived with you in the past (if you are or were living as a family), or is the other parent of your child(ren) whether or not you have ever been married or ever lived together, you should use **Petition for Injunction for Protection Against Domestic Violence**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.980(a), rather than this form.

This form should be typed or printed in black ink. You should complete this form (giving as much detail as possible) and sign it in the presence of a notary or in front of the **clerk of the circuit court** in the county where you live. The clerk will take your completed petition to a **judge**. You should keep a copy for your records. If you have any questions or need assistance completing this form, the clerk or **family law intake staff** will help you.

Instructions for Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.980(q), Petition for Injunction for Protection Against Sexual Violence (11/15)

What should I do if the judge grants my petition?

If the facts contained in your petition convince the judge that an immediate and present danger of violence exists, the judge will sign a **Temporary Injunction for Protection Against Sexual Violence**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.980(r). A temporary injunction is issued without notice to the respondent. The clerk will give your petition, the temporary injunction, and any other papers filed with your petition to the sheriff or other law enforcement officer for personal service on the respondent. The temporary injunction will take effect immediately after the respondent is served with a copy of it. It lasts until a full hearing can be held or for a period of 15 days, whichever comes first, unless the respondent is incarcerated, and in such instance the temporary injunction is effective for 15 days following the date the respondent is released from incarceration. The court may extend the temporary injunction beyond 15 days for a good reason, which may include failure to obtain service on the respondent.

The temporary injunction is issued ex parte. This means that the judge has considered only the information presented by one side--YOU. Section I of the temporary injunction gives a date that you should appear in court for a hearing. You will be expected to testify about the facts in your petition. The respondent will be given the opportunity to testify at this hearing, also. At the hearing, the judge will decide whether to issue a **Final Judgment of Injunction for Protection Against Sexual Violence (After Notice)**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.980(s), which will remain in effect for a specific time period or until modified or dissolved by the court. **If you and/or the respondent do not appear, the temporary injunction may be continued in force, extended, or dismissed, and/or additional orders may be granted, including entry of a permanent injunction and the imposition of court costs. You and respondent will be bound by the terms of any injunction or order issued at the final hearing.**

IF EITHER YOU OR RESPONDENT DO NOT APPEAR AT THE FINAL HEARING, YOU WILL BOTH BE BOUND BY THE TERMS OF ANY INJUNCTION OR ORDER ISSUED IN THIS MATTER.

If the judge signs a temporary or final injunction, the clerk will provide you with the necessary copies. **Make sure that you keep one certified copy of the injunction with you at all times!**

What can I do if the judge denies my petition?

If your petition is denied on the grounds that it appears to the court that no immediate and present danger of sexual violence exists, the court will set a full hearing on your petition. The respondent will be notified by personal service of your petition and the hearing. If your petition is denied, you may: amend your petition by filing a **Supplemental Affidavit in Support of Petition for Injunction for Protection**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.980 (g); attend the hearing and present facts that support your petition; and/or dismiss your petition.

Where can I look for more information?

Before proceeding, you should read General Information for Self-Represented Litigants found at the beginning of these forms. The words that are in **bold underline** are defined in that section. The clerk of the circuit court or family law intake staff will provide you with necessary forms. For further information,

Instructions for Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.980(q), Petition for Injunction for Protection Against Sexual Violence (11/15)

see section 784.046, Florida Statutes.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING E-FILING

The Florida Rules of Judicial Administration now require that all petitions, pleadings, and documents be filed electronically except in certain circumstances. **Self-represented litigants may file petitions or other pleadings or documents electronically; however, they are not required to do so.** If you choose to file your pleadings or other documents electronically, you must do so in accordance with Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.525, and you must follow the procedures of the judicial circuit in which you file. **The rules and procedures should be carefully read and followed.**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING E-SERVICE ELECTION

After the initial service of process of the petition or supplemental petition by the Sheriff or certified process server, the Florida Rules of Judicial Administration now require that all documents required or permitted to be served on the other party must be served by electronic mail (e-mail) except in certain circumstances. **You must strictly comply with the format requirements set forth in the Rules of Judicial Administration.** If you elect to participate in electronic service, which means serving or receiving pleadings by electronic mail (e-mail), or through the Florida Courts E-Filing Portal, you **must** review Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.516. You may find this rule at www.flcourts.org through the link to the Rules of Judicial Administration provided under either Family Law Forms: Getting Started, or Rules of Court in the A-Z Topical Index.

SELF-REPRESENTED LITIGANTS MAY SERVE DOCUMENTS BY E-MAIL; HOWEVER, THEY ARE NOT REQUIRED TO DO SO. If a self-represented litigant elects to serve and receive documents by e-mail, the procedures must always be followed once the initial election is made.

To serve and receive documents by e-mail, you must designate your e-mail addresses by using the **Designation of Current Mailing and E-mail Address**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915, and you must provide your e-mail address on each form on which your signature appears. Please **CAREFULLY** read the rules and instructions for: **Certificate of Service (General)**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.914; **Designation of Current Mailing and E-mail Address**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915; and Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.516.

Special Notes . . .

If you fear that disclosing your address would put you in danger, you should complete a **Request for Confidential Filing of Address**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.980(h), and file it with the clerk of the circuit court and write confidential in the space provided for your address on the petition.

Instructions for Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.980(q), Petition for Injunction for Protection Against Sexual Violence (11/15)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: _____

Division: _____

Petitioner,

and

Respondent,

**PETITION FOR INJUNCTION FOR PROTECTION
AGAINST SEXUAL VIOLENCE**

I, *{full legal name}* _____ being sworn, certify that the following statements are true:

SECTION I. PETITIONER

(This section is about you. It must be completed; however, **if you fear that disclosing your address to the respondent would put you in danger**, you should complete and file a Request for Confidential Filing of Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.980(h), and write confidential in the space provided on this form for your address.)

1. Petitioner currently lives at the following address: {address, city, state, zip code} _____

Date of Birth of Petitioner: _____.

[Indicate if applicable]

_____ **Petitioner seeks an injunction for protection on behalf of a minor child.** Petitioner is the parent or legal guardian of *{full legal name}* _____, a minor child who is living at home.

2. Petitioner's attorney's name, address, and telephone number is: _____

(If you do not have an attorney, write "none.")

SECTION II. RESPONDENT

(This section is about the person you want to be protected from. It must be completed.)

1. Respondent currently lives at the following address: {address, city, state, and zip code} _____

Respondent's Driver's License number is: {if known} _____

2. Respondent's last known place of employment: _____
Employment address: _____
Working hours: _____
3. Physical description of Respondent:
Race: _____ Sex: _____ Male _____ Female _____ Date of Birth: _____
Height: _____ Weight: _____ Eye Color: _____ Hair Color: _____
Distinguishing marks and/or scars: _____
Vehicle: (make/model) _____ Color: _____ Tag Number: _____
4. Other names Respondent goes by (aliases or nicknames): _____

5. Respondent's attorney's name, address, and telephone number is: _____

(If you do not know whether Respondent has an attorney, write "unknown." If Respondent does not have an attorney, write "none.")
6. If Respondent is a minor, the address of Respondent's parent or legal guardian is:

SECTION III. CASE HISTORY AND REASON FOR SEEKING PETITION

(This section must be completed.)

1. Petitioner has suffered sexual violence as shown by the fact that the Respondent has: *{describe the acts of violence}* _____

_____ Please indicate here if you are attaching additional pages to continue these facts.

*{Indicate **all** that apply}*

- a. _____ Petitioner reported the sexual violence to law enforcement and is cooperating in any criminal proceeding. The incident report number by law enforcement is: _____
{If there is a criminal case, include case number, if known} _____.
 - b. _____ Respondent was sent to prison for committing sexual violence against Petitioner or Petitioner's minor child living at home and Respondent is out of prison or is getting out of prison within 90 days. The notice of inmate release is attached.
2. Has Petitioner ever received or tried to get an injunction for protection against domestic violence, dating violence, repeat violence, or sexual violence against Respondent in this or any other court?
_____ Yes _____ No If yes, what happened in that case? *{Include case number, if known}*
- _____
- _____
- _____
3. Has Respondent ever received or tried to get an injunction for protection against domestic violence, dating violence, repeat violence, or sexual violence against Petitioner in this or any other court?
_____ Yes _____ No If yes, what happened in that case? *{Include case number, if known}*
- _____
- _____
- _____
4. Describe any other court case that is either going on now or that happened in the past between Petitioner and Respondent *{Include case number, if known}*:
- _____
- _____
- _____

Additional Information

*{Indicate **all** that apply}*

- a. Respondent owns, has, and/or is known to have guns or other weapons.
Describe weapon(s): _____
 - b. _____ This or prior acts of violence have been previously reported to: *{person or agency}*
- _____

SECTION IV. INJUNCTION

(This section must be completed.)

1. Petitioner asks the Court to enter a TEMPORARY INJUNCTION for protection against sexual violence that will be in place from now until the scheduled hearing in this matter.

2. Petitioner asks the Court to enter an injunction prohibiting Respondent from committing any acts of violence against Petitioner and:
 - a. prohibiting Respondent from going to or within 500 feet of any place Petitioner lives;

 - b. prohibiting Respondent from going to or within 500 feet of Petitioner’s place(s) of employment or the school that Petitioner attends; the address of Petitioner's place(s) of employment and/or school is: _____

 - c. prohibiting Respondent from contacting Petitioner by telephone, mail, by e-mail, in writing, through another person, or in any other manner;

 - d. ordering Respondent not to use or possess any guns or firearms;

*{Indicate **all** that apply}*

- e. prohibiting Respondent from going to or within 500 feet of the following place(s) Petitioner or Petitioner’s immediate family must go to often: _____

- f. _____ prohibiting Respondent from knowingly and intentionally going to or within 100 feet of Petitioner’s motor vehicle; AND any other terms the Court deems necessary for the safety of Petitioner and Petitioner’s immediate family.

I UNDERSTAND THAT BY FILING THIS PETITION, I AM ASKING THE COURT TO HOLD A HEARING ON THIS PETITION, THAT BOTH THE RESPONDENT AND I WILL BE NOTIFIED OF THE HEARING, AND THAT I MUST APPEAR AT THE HEARING. I UNDERSTAND THAT IF EITHER RESPONDENT OF I FAIL TO APPEAR AT THE FINAL HEARING, WE WILL BE BOUND BY THE TERMS OF ANY INJUNCTION OR ORDER ISSUED AT THAT HEARING.

I UNDERSTAND THAT I AM SWEARING OR AFFIRMING UNDER OATH TO THE TRUTHFULNESS OF THE CLAIMS MADE IN THIS PETITION AND THAT THE PUNISHMENT FOR KNOWINGLY MAKING A FALSE STATEMENT INCLUDES FINES AND/OR IMPRISONMENT.

Dated: _____
Signature of Petitioner

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF MANATEE

Sworn to or affirmed and signed before me on _____ by _____

NOTARY PUBLIC/DEPUTY CLERK/DEPUTY SHERIFF

{Print, type, or stamp commissioned name of notary or clerk.}

Personally known
Produced identification
Type of identification produced _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA FAMILY LAW RULES OF PROCEDURE FORM 12.900(h), NOTICE OF RELATED CASES (11/13)

When should this form be used?

Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.545(d) requires the **petitioner** in a family law case to file with the court a notice of related cases, if any. Your circuit may also require this form to be filed even if there are no related cases. A case is considered related if

- it involves the same parties, children, or issues and is pending when the family law case is filed; or
- it affects the court's jurisdiction to proceed; or
- an order in the related case may conflict with an order on the same issues in the new case; or
- an order in the new case may conflict with an order in the earlier case.

This form is used to provide the required notice to the court.

This form should be typed or printed in black ink. It must be **filed** with the **clerk of the circuit court** with the initial pleading in the family law case.

What should I do next?

A copy of the form must be served on the presiding judges, either the chief judge or the family law administrative judge, and all parties in the related cases. You should also keep a copy for your records. **Service** must be in accordance with Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.516.

Where can I look for more information?

Before proceeding, you should read "General Information for Self-Represented Litigants" found at the beginning of these forms. The words that are in "**bold underline**" in these instructions are defined there. For further information, see Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.545(d).

Special notes . . .

Remember, a person who is NOT an attorney is called a nonlawyer. If a nonlawyer helps you fill out these forms, that person must give you a copy of a **Disclosure from Nonlawyer**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.900(a), before he or she helps you. A nonlawyer helping

you fill out these forms **must** also put his or her name, address, and telephone number on the bottom of the last page of every form he or she helps you complete.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: _____

Division: _____

Petitioner,
and

Respondent.

NOTICE OF RELATED CASES

1. Petitioner submits this Notice of Related Cases as required by Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.545(d). A related case may be an open or closed civil, criminal, guardianship, domestic violence, juvenile delinquency, juvenile dependency, or domestic relations case. A case is "related" to this family law case if it involves any of the same parties, children, or issues and it is pending at the time the party files a family case; if it affects the court's jurisdiction to proceed; if an order in the related case may conflict with an order on the same issues in the new case; or if an order in the new case may conflict with an order in the earlier litigation.

[check **one** only]

There are no related cases.

The following are the related cases (add additional pages if necessary):

Related Case No. 1

Case Name(s): _____

Petitioner _____

Respondent _____

Case No.: _____ Division: _____

Type of Proceeding: [check **all** that apply]

Dissolution of Marriage

Paternity

Custody

Adoption

Child Support

Modification/Enforcement/Contempt Proceedings

Juvenile Dependency

Juvenile Delinquency

Termination of Parental Rights

Criminal

Domestic/Sexual/Dating/Repeat

Mental Health

Violence or Stalking Injunctions

Other {specify} _____

State where case was decided or is pending: Florida Other: {specify} _____

Name of Court where case was decided or is pending (for example, Fifth Circuit Court, Marion County, Florida): _____

Title of last Court Order/Judgment (if any): _____

Date of Court Order/Judgment (if any): _____

Relationship of cases check **all** that apply]:

pending case involves same parties, children, or issues;

may affect court's jurisdiction;

order in related case may conflict with an order in this case;

order in this case may conflict with previous order in related case.

Statement as to the relationship of the cases: _____

Related Case No. 2

Case Name(s): _____

Petitioner _____

Respondent _____

Case No.: _____ Division: _____

Type of Proceeding: [check **all** that apply]

Dissolution of Marriage

Paternity

Custody

Adoption

Child Support

Modification/Enforcement/Contempt Proceedings

Juvenile Dependency

Juvenile Delinquency

Termination of Parental Rights

Criminal

Domestic/Sexual/Dating/Repeat

Mental Health

Violence or Stalking Injunctions

Other {specify} _____

State where case was decided or is pending: Florida Other: {specify} _____

Name of Court where case was decided or is pending (for example, Fifth Circuit Court, Marion County, Florida): _____

Title of last Court Order/Judgment (if any): _____

Date of Court Order/Judgment (if any): _____

Relationship of cases check all that apply]:

pending case involves same parties, children, or issues;

- may affect court's jurisdiction;
- order in related case may conflict with an order in this case;
- order in this case may conflict with previous order in related case.

Statement as to the relationship of the cases: _____

Related Case No. 3

Case Name(s): _____
 Petitioner _____
 Respondent _____
 Case No.: _____ Division: _____

Type of Proceeding: [check **all** that apply]

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Dissolution of Marriage | <input type="checkbox"/> Paternity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Custody | <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Support | <input type="checkbox"/> Modification/Enforcement/Contempt Proceedings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Dependency | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Delinquency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Termination of Parental Rights | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic/Sexual/Dating/Repeat
Violence or Stalking Injunctions | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Other {specify} _____ |

State where case was decided or is pending: Florida Other: {specify} _____

Name of Court where case was decided or is pending (*for example, Fifth Circuit Court, Marion County, Florida*): _____

Title of last Court Order/Judgment (if any): _____

Date of Court Order/Judgment (if any): _____

Relationship of cases check all that apply]:

- pending case involves same parties, children, or issues;
- may affect court's jurisdiction;
- order in related case may conflict with an order in this case;
- order in this case may conflict with previous order in related case.

Statement as to the relationship of the cases: _____

2. [check **one** only]

I **do not** request coordination of litigation in any of the cases listed above.

_____ I **do** request coordination of the following cases: _____

3. [check **all** that apply]

_____ Assignment to one judge

_____ Coordination of existing cases

will conserve judicial resources and promote an efficient determination of these cases because: _____.

4. The Petitioner acknowledges a continuing duty to inform the court of any cases in this or any other state that could affect the current proceeding.

Dated: _____

Petitioner's Signature

Printed Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____

E-mail Address(es): _____

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I **CERTIFY** that I delivered a copy of this Notice of Related Cases to the _____ County Sheriff's Department or a certified process server for service on the Respondent, and [**check all used**] () e-mailed () mailed () hand delivered, a copy to {name} _____, who is the [**check all that apply**] () judge assigned to new case, () chief judge or family law administrative judge, () {name} _____ a party to the related case, () {name} _____, a party to the related case on {date} _____.

Signature of Petitioner/Attorney for Petitioner

Printed Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____

E-mail Address(es): _____

Florida Bar Number: _____

IF A NONLAWYER HELPED YOU FILL OUT THIS FORM, HE/SHE MUST FILL IN THE BLANKS BELOW:

[fill in **all** blanks] This form was prepared for the *{choose **only one**}*: () Petitioner () Respondent.

This form was completed with the assistance of:

{name of individual} _____,

{name of business} _____,

{address} _____,

{city} _____ *{state}* _____, *{telephone number}* _____.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

_____,
Petitioner,

Case No.: _____

and

_____,
Respondent.
_____ /

TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
FAMILY DIVISION
RULES OF COURTROOM ETIQUETTE

Lawyers who appear in court must follow the court's rules of behavior and etiquette. People who appear in court without a lawyer must follow the same rules of behavior. Each judge, magistrate and hearing officer sets the rules for his or her courtroom, but there are a number of rules and standards accepted and enforced in every courtroom. Each lawyer and party must be respectful to the court, the court staff, the witnesses, the bailiffs and each other. Additional rules for courtroom behavior are as follows:

1. Be aware that the judges, general magistrates, hearing officers, or any other court personnel cannot give you legal advice. You may only obtain legal advice from an attorney. You may obtain general information from the Twelfth Judicial Circuit's website at www.jud12.flcourts.org.
2. Arrive at least twenty (20) minutes before your hearing is scheduled to begin. There are unpredictable times when legal emergencies pressure the court to begin as early as possible. You should know that a judge may also dismiss your case if you are not present at the scheduled time.
3. All persons appearing before the court must dress in an appropriate manner. Shorts, hats, flip-flops, jeans, sneakers, tee shirts, and tank tops are not suitable for the courtroom.
4. Do not bring food or beverages into the courtroom. Never chew gum or use tobacco products in the courtroom.
5. Turn off your cell phone.
6. Do not bring children to the courthouse unless the judge or your attorney requests that you do so.
7. Stand when you are addressing the court and address the judge as "your honor."

8. Be prepared for court. Familiarize yourself with the issues, read the pleadings and other documents, and be prepared to present your case to the court.
9. Bring with you any evidence and witnesses you wish the court to consider. The court cannot consider written statements from witnesses.
10. Be aware that you must state in your pleadings the relief you want. The court cannot grant relief that you do not request in your pleadings.
11. Bring several copies of any documents that you intend to offer into evidence. You must provide a copy to the opposing party and his/her attorney. Each copy should be labeled "exhibit" and indicate the case number, names of the parties, the date, and have a space for the judge's signature.
12. Tell the truth. Any false statement made to the court under oath is perjury, which is a crime.
13. Be courteous. Do not interrupt the judge, any party, or any witness who is speaking. You will have the opportunity to present your case.
14. Speak directly to the judge or your attorney. Do not argue with the judge, the opposing party, his/her attorney, or a witness.
15. Be aware that any witnesses you bring with you to court may or may not be permitted in the courtroom with you until it is his/her turn to testify.
16. Do not call or write the judge a letter. The judge cannot talk to you or consider any written or oral evidence out of the presence of both parties.
17. Be respectful to all court personnel, including the judges, general magistrates, hearing officers, bailiffs, case managers, judicial assistants, clerks, and all other court staff.

I have read and agree to abide by the rules of courtroom etiquette.

Signature

Date

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR SARASOTA, MANATEE, AND DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA**

_____,
Petitioner,

and
_____,
Respondent.

Case Number _____
Division _____

Petitioner's Waiver or Non-Waiver of Return Hearing

I, _____, the Petitioner in this case, have filed a Petition for Protection Against Domestic Violence Dating Violence Repeat Violence Stalking Violence or Sexual Violence.

I understand that, after reviewing the Petition, the court will do one of the following:

a. Issue a temporary injunction and set the case for hearing with notice to the Respondent.

or

b. Not issue a temporary injunction and set the case for hearing only with notice to the Respondent

or

c. Deny the temporary injunction and not set the case for hearing

Petitioner please initial either Paragraph A or B below:

_____ A. If the court does not issue a temporary injunction for protection, I request that a hearing be set. I understand that notice of the hearing and copy of the Petition for Injunction will be provided to the Respondent.

_____ B. If the court does not issue a temporary injunction for protection, I do NOT want a hearing to be scheduled. I do NOT want the Respondent to be served with a notice of hearing or a copy of the Petition for Injunction without a temporary injunction for protection in place. I waive my right under F. S. § 741.30(5)(b) to have this case set for hearing. I further understand that nothing in this form affects my right to amend my petition. I have signed this waiver freely and voluntarily.

Petitioner; Date: _____

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF SARASOTA / MANATEE / DESOTO

Sworn to or affirmed and signed before me on _____ by _____.

____ Personally known or ____ Produced identification, _____ (type of identification produced)

[Print, type, or stamp commissioned name of notary or clerk below]

NOTARY PUBLIC or DEPUTY CLERK

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA SUPREME COURT APPROVED FAMILY LAW
FORM 12.980(h)
REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILING OF ADDRESS
(06/18)**

When should this form be used?

If you fear that disclosing your address would put you in danger because you are the victim of sexual battery, aggravated child abuse, stalking, aggravated stalking, harassment, aggravated battery, or domestic violence, you should complete this form and **file** it with the **clerk of the circuit court**.

This form should be typed or printed in black ink. After completing this form, you should **file** the original with the clerk of the circuit court in the county where your petition was filed and keep a copy for your records.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING E-FILING

The Florida Rules of Judicial Administration now require that all petitions, pleadings, and documents be filed electronically except in certain circumstances. **Self-represented litigants may file petitions or other pleadings or documents electronically; however, they are not required to do so.** If you choose to file your pleadings or other documents electronically, you must do so in accordance with Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.525, and you must follow the procedures of the judicial circuit in which you file. **The rules and procedures should be carefully read and followed.**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: _____
Division: _____

Petitioner,

and

Respondent.

REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILING OF ADDRESS

I, *{full legal name}* _____, request that the Court maintain and hold as confidential, the following address:

Address _____		
City _____	State _____	Zip _____
Telephone (area code and number) _____		

This request is being made for the purpose of keeping the location of my residence unknown for safety reasons pursuant to section 119.071(2)(j)1, section 741.30(3)(b)(a), section 784.046(4)(b)1, and section 784.0485(3)(b)1, Florida Statutes, or other statutory provision providing for the separate confidential filing for safety reasons.

Dated: _____

Signature

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE AS TO REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILING OF ADDRESS

I, ANGELINA COLONNESO, as Clerk of the Circuit Court, do hereby certify that I received and filed the above and will keep the above address confidential, subsequent to further order of the Court relative to such confidentiality.

ANGELINA COLONNESO
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

(SEAL)

By: _____
{Deputy Clerk}

Select Year:

The 2019 Florida Statutes

[Title XLVI](#)

CRIMES

[Chapter 784](#)

ASSAULT; BATTERY; CULPABLE NEGLIGENCE

[View Entire Chapter](#)

784.046 Action by victim of repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence for protective injunction; dating violence investigations, notice to victims, and reporting; pretrial release violations; public records exemption.—

(1) As used in this section, the term:

(a) “Violence” means any assault, aggravated assault, battery, aggravated battery, sexual assault, sexual battery, stalking, aggravated stalking, kidnapping, or false imprisonment, or any criminal offense resulting in physical injury or death, by a person against any other person.

(b) “Repeat violence” means two incidents of violence or stalking committed by the respondent, one of which must have been within 6 months of the filing of the petition, which are directed against the petitioner or the petitioner’s immediate family member.

(c) “Sexual violence” means any one incident of:

1. Sexual battery, as defined in chapter 794;
2. A lewd or lascivious act, as defined in chapter 800, committed upon or in the presence of a person younger than 16 years of age;
3. Luring or enticing a child, as described in chapter 787;
4. Sexual performance by a child, as described in chapter 827; or
5. Any other forcible felony wherein a sexual act is committed or attempted,

regardless of whether criminal charges based on the incident were filed, reduced, or dismissed by the state attorney.

(d) “Dating violence” means violence between individuals who have or have had a continuing and significant relationship of a romantic or intimate nature. The existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on the consideration of the following factors:

1. A dating relationship must have existed within the past 6 months;
2. The nature of the relationship must have been characterized by the expectation of affection or sexual involvement between the parties; and
3. The frequency and type of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship must have included that the persons have been involved over time and on a continuous basis during the course of the relationship.

The term does not include violence in a casual acquaintanceship or violence between individuals who only have engaged in ordinary fraternization in a business or social context.

(2) There is created a cause of action for an injunction for protection in cases of repeat violence, there is created a separate cause of action for an injunction for protection in cases of dating violence,

and there is created a separate cause of action for an injunction for protection in cases of sexual violence.

(a) Any person who is the victim of repeat violence or the parent or legal guardian of any minor child who is living at home and who seeks an injunction for protection against repeat violence on behalf of the minor child has standing in the circuit court to file a sworn petition for an injunction for protection against repeat violence.

(b) Any person who is the victim of dating violence and has reasonable cause to believe he or she is in imminent danger of becoming the victim of another act of dating violence, or any person who has reasonable cause to believe he or she is in imminent danger of becoming the victim of an act of dating violence, or the parent or legal guardian of any minor child who is living at home and who seeks an injunction for protection against dating violence on behalf of that minor child, has standing in the circuit court to file a sworn petition for an injunction for protection against dating violence.

(c) A person who is the victim of sexual violence or the parent or legal guardian of a minor child who is living at home who is the victim of sexual violence has standing in the circuit court to file a sworn petition for an injunction for protection against sexual violence on his or her own behalf or on behalf of the minor child if:

1. The person has reported the sexual violence to a law enforcement agency and is cooperating in any criminal proceeding against the respondent, regardless of whether criminal charges based on the sexual violence have been filed, reduced, or dismissed by the state attorney; or

2. The respondent who committed the sexual violence against the victim or minor child was sentenced to a term of imprisonment in state prison for the sexual violence and the respondent's term of imprisonment has expired or is due to expire within 90 days following the date the petition is filed.

(d) A cause of action for an injunction may be sought whether or not any other petition, complaint, or cause of action is currently available or pending between the parties.

(e) A cause of action for an injunction does not require that the petitioner be represented by an attorney.

(3)(a) The clerk of the court shall provide a copy of this section, simplified forms, and clerical assistance for the preparation and filing of such a petition by any person who is not represented by counsel.

(b) Notwithstanding any other law, the clerk of the court may not assess a fee for filing a petition for protection against repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence. However, subject to legislative appropriation, the clerk of the court may, each quarter, submit to the Office of the State Courts Administrator a certified request for reimbursement for petitions for protection issued by the court under this section at the rate of \$40 per petition. The request for reimbursement shall be submitted in the form and manner prescribed by the Office of the State Courts Administrator. From this reimbursement, the clerk shall pay the law enforcement agency serving the injunction the fee requested by the law enforcement agency; however, this fee may not exceed \$20.

(c) No bond shall be required by the court for the entry of an injunction.

(d) The clerk of the court shall provide the petitioner with a certified copy of any injunction for protection against repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence entered by the court.

(4)(a) The sworn petition shall allege the incidents of repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence and shall include the specific facts and circumstances that form the basis upon which relief is sought. With respect to a minor child who is living at home, the parent or legal guardian seeking the protective injunction on behalf of the minor child must:

1. Have been an eyewitness to, or have direct physical evidence or affidavits from eyewitnesses of, the specific facts and circumstances that form the basis upon which relief is sought, if the party against whom the protective injunction is sought is also a parent, stepparent, or legal guardian of the minor child; or

2. Have reasonable cause to believe that the minor child is a victim of repeat sexual or dating violence to form the basis upon which relief is sought, if the party against whom the protective injunction is sought is a person other than a parent, stepparent, or legal guardian of the minor child.

(b) The sworn petition must be in substantially the following form:

PETITION FOR INJUNCTION FOR PROTECTION
AGAINST REPEAT VIOLENCE, SEXUAL
VIOLENCE, OR DATING VIOLENCE

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Petitioner (Name), who has been sworn and says that the following statements are true:

1. Petitioner resides at (address) (A petitioner for an injunction for protection against sexual violence may furnish an address to the court in a separate confidential filing if, for safety reasons, the petitioner requires the location of his or her current residence to be confidential pursuant to s. 119.071 (2)(j), Florida Statutes.)

2. Respondent resides at (address).

3.a. Petitioner has suffered repeat violence as demonstrated by the fact that the respondent has: (enumerate incidents of violence)

b. Petitioner has suffered sexual violence as demonstrated by the fact that the respondent has: (enumerate incident of violence and include incident report number from law enforcement agency or attach notice of inmate release.)

c. Petitioner is a victim of dating violence and has reasonable cause to believe that he or she is in imminent danger of becoming the victim of another act of dating violence or has reasonable cause to believe that he or she is in imminent danger of becoming a victim of dating violence, as demonstrated by the fact that the respondent has: (list the specific incident or incidents of violence and describe the length of time of the relationship, whether it has been in existence during the last 6 months, the nature of the relationship of a romantic or intimate nature, the frequency and type of interaction, and any other facts that characterize the relationship.)

4. Petitioner genuinely fears repeat violence by the respondent.

5. Petitioner seeks: an immediate injunction against the respondent, enjoining him or her from committing any further acts of violence; an injunction enjoining the respondent from committing any

further acts of violence; and an injunction providing any terms the court deems necessary for the protection of the petitioner and the petitioner's immediate family, including any injunctions or directives to law enforcement agencies.

(5) Upon the filing of the petition, the court shall set a hearing to be held at the earliest possible time. The respondent shall be personally served with a copy of the petition, notice of hearing, and temporary injunction, if any, prior to the hearing.

(6)(a) When it appears to the court that an immediate and present danger of violence exists, the court may grant a temporary injunction which may be granted in an ex parte hearing, pending a full hearing, and may grant such relief as the court deems proper, including an injunction enjoining the respondent from committing any acts of violence.

(b) Except as provided in s. 90.204, in a hearing ex parte for the purpose of obtaining such temporary injunction, no evidence other than the verified pleading or affidavit shall be used as evidence, unless the respondent appears at the hearing or has received reasonable notice of the hearing.

(c) Any such ex parte temporary injunction shall be effective for a fixed period not to exceed 15 days. However, an ex parte temporary injunction granted under subparagraph (2)(c)2. is effective for 15 days following the date the respondent is released from incarceration. A full hearing, as provided by this section, shall be set for a date no later than the date when the temporary injunction ceases to be effective. The court may grant a continuance of the ex parte injunction and the full hearing before or during a hearing, for good cause shown by any party.

(7) Upon notice and hearing, the court may grant such relief as the court deems proper, including an injunction:

(a) Enjoining the respondent from committing any acts of violence.

(b) Ordering such other relief as the court deems necessary for the protection of the petitioner, including injunctions or directives to law enforcement agencies, as provided in this section.

(c) The terms of the injunction shall remain in full force and effect until modified or dissolved. Either party may move at any time to modify or dissolve the injunction. Such relief may be granted in addition to other civil or criminal remedies.

(d) A temporary or final judgment on injunction for protection against repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence entered pursuant to this section shall, on its face, indicate that:

1. The injunction is valid and enforceable in all counties of the State of Florida.

2. Law enforcement officers may use their arrest powers pursuant to s. 901.15(6) to enforce the terms of the injunction.

3. The court had jurisdiction over the parties and matter under the laws of Florida and that reasonable notice and opportunity to be heard was given to the person against whom the order is sought sufficient to protect that person's right to due process.

4. The date that the respondent was served with the temporary or final order, if obtainable.

(8)(a)1. The clerk of the court shall furnish a copy of the petition, notice of hearing, and temporary injunction, if any, to the sheriff or a law enforcement agency of the county where the respondent resides or can be found, who shall serve it upon the respondent as soon thereafter as possible on any day of the week and at any time of the day or night. When requested by the sheriff, the clerk of the court may transmit a facsimile copy of an injunction that has been certified by the clerk of the court, and this facsimile copy may be served in the same manner as a certified copy. Upon receiving a facsimile copy, the sheriff must verify receipt with the sender before attempting to serve it upon the respondent. In addition, if the sheriff is in possession of an injunction for protection that has been

certified by the clerk of the court, the sheriff may transmit a facsimile copy of that injunction to a law enforcement officer who shall serve it in the same manner as a certified copy. The clerk of the court shall be responsible for furnishing to the sheriff such information on the respondent's physical description and location as is required by the department to comply with the verification procedures set forth in this section. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the chief judge of each circuit, in consultation with the appropriate sheriff, may authorize a law enforcement agency within the chief judge's jurisdiction to effect this type of service and to receive a portion of the service fee. No person shall be authorized or permitted to serve or execute an injunction issued under this section unless the person is a law enforcement officer as defined in chapter 943.

2. When an injunction is issued, if the petitioner requests the assistance of a law enforcement agency, the court may order that an officer from the appropriate law enforcement agency accompany the petitioner and assist in the execution or service of the injunction. A law enforcement officer shall accept a copy of an injunction for protection against repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence, certified by the clerk of the court, from the petitioner and immediately serve it upon a respondent who has been located but not yet served.

(b) There shall be created a Domestic, Dating, Sexual, and Repeat Violence Injunction Statewide Verification System within the Department of Law Enforcement. The department shall establish, implement, and maintain a statewide communication system capable of electronically transmitting information to and between criminal justice agencies relating to domestic violence injunctions, dating violence injunctions, sexual violence injunctions, and repeat violence injunctions issued by the courts throughout the state. Such information must include, but is not limited to, information as to the existence and status of any injunction for verification purposes.

(c)1. Within 24 hours after the court issues an injunction for protection against repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence or changes or vacates an injunction for protection against repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence, the clerk of the court must forward a copy of the injunction to the sheriff with jurisdiction over the residence of the petitioner.

2. Within 24 hours after service of process of an injunction for protection against repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence upon a respondent, the law enforcement officer must forward the written proof of service of process to the sheriff with jurisdiction over the residence of the petitioner.

3. Within 24 hours after the sheriff receives a certified copy of the injunction for protection against repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence, the sheriff must make information relating to the injunction available to other law enforcement agencies by electronically transmitting such information to the department.

4. Within 24 hours after the sheriff or other law enforcement officer has made service upon the respondent and the sheriff has been so notified, the sheriff must make information relating to the service available to other law enforcement agencies by electronically transmitting such information to the department.

5. Subject to available funding, the Florida Association of Court Clerks and Comptrollers shall develop an automated process by which a petitioner may request notification of service of the injunction for protection against repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence and other court actions related to the injunction for protection. The automated notice shall be made within 12 hours after the sheriff or other law enforcement officer serves the injunction upon the respondent. The notification must include, at a minimum, the date, time, and location where the injunction for protection against repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence was served. The Florida

Association of Court Clerks and Comptrollers may apply for any available grants to fund the development of the automated process.

6. Within 24 hours after an injunction for protection against repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence is lifted, terminated, or otherwise rendered no longer effective by ruling of the court, the clerk of the court must notify the sheriff or local law enforcement agency receiving original notification of the injunction as provided in subparagraph 2. That agency shall, within 24 hours after receiving such notification from the clerk of the court, notify the department of such action of the court.

(9)(a) The court shall enforce, through a civil or criminal contempt proceeding, a violation of an injunction for protection. The court may enforce the respondent's compliance with the injunction by imposing a monetary assessment. The clerk of the court shall collect and receive such assessments. On a monthly basis, the clerk shall transfer the moneys collected pursuant to this paragraph to the State Treasury for deposit in the Crimes Compensation Trust Fund established in s. 960.21.

(b) If the respondent is arrested by a law enforcement officer under s. 901.15(6) for committing an act of repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence in violation of an injunction for protection, the respondent shall be held in custody until brought before the court as expeditiously as possible for the purpose of enforcing the injunction and for admittance to bail in accordance with chapter 903 and the applicable rules of criminal procedure, pending a hearing.

(10) The petitioner or the respondent may move the court to modify or dissolve an injunction at any time.

(11) Any law enforcement officer who investigates an alleged incident of dating violence shall assist the victim to obtain medical treatment if such is required as a result of the alleged incident to which the officer responds. Any law enforcement officer who investigates an alleged incident of dating violence shall advise the victim of such violence that there is a domestic violence center from which the victim may receive services. The law enforcement officer shall give the victim immediate notice of the legal rights and remedies available on a standard form developed and distributed by the Department of Law Enforcement. As necessary, the Department of Law Enforcement shall revise the Legal Rights and Remedies Notice to Victims to include a general summary of this section, using simple English as well as Spanish, and shall distribute the notice as a model form to be used by all law enforcement agencies throughout the state. The notice shall include:

(a) The resource listing, including telephone number, for the area domestic violence center designated by the Department of Children and Families; and

(b) A copy of the following statement: "IF YOU ARE THE VICTIM OF DATING VIOLENCE, you may ask the state attorney to file a criminal complaint. You also have the right to go to court and file a petition requesting an injunction for protection from dating violence which may include, but need not be limited to, provisions that restrain the abuser from further acts of abuse; direct the abuser to leave your household; and prevent the abuser from entering your residence, school, business, or place of employment."

(12) When a law enforcement officer investigates an allegation that an incident of dating violence has occurred, the officer shall handle the incident pursuant to the arrest policy provided in s. 901.15(7), and as developed in accordance with subsections (13), (14), and (16). Whether or not an arrest is made, the officer shall make a written police report that is complete and clearly indicates that the alleged offense was an incident of dating violence. Such report shall be given to the officer's supervisor and filed with the law enforcement agency in a manner that will permit data on dating violence cases to be compiled. Such report must include:

- (a) A description of physical injuries observed, if any.
- (b) If a law enforcement officer decides not to make an arrest or decides to arrest two or more parties, the grounds for not arresting anyone or for arresting two or more parties.
- (c) A statement which indicates that a copy of the legal rights and remedies notice was given to the victim.

Whenever possible, the law enforcement officer shall obtain a written statement from the victim and witnesses concerning the alleged dating violence. The officer shall submit the report to the supervisor or other person to whom the employer's rules or policies require reports of similar allegations of criminal activity to be made. The law enforcement agency shall, without charge, send a copy of the initial police report, as well as any subsequent, supplemental, or related report, which excludes victim or witness statements or other materials that are part of an active criminal investigation and are exempt from disclosure under chapter 119, to the nearest locally certified domestic violence center within 24 hours after the agency's receipt of the report. The report furnished to the domestic violence center must include a narrative description of the dating violence incident.

(13) Whenever a law enforcement officer determines upon probable cause that an act of dating violence has been committed within the jurisdiction, or that a person has violated a condition of pretrial release as provided in s. [903.047](#) and the original arrest was for an act of dating violence, the officer may arrest the person or persons suspected of its commission and charge such person or persons with the appropriate crime. The decision to arrest and charge shall not require consent of the victim or consideration of the relationship of the parties.

(14)(a) When complaints are received from two or more parties, the officers shall evaluate each complaint separately to determine whether there is probable cause for arrest.

(b) If a law enforcement officer has probable cause to believe that two or more persons have committed a misdemeanor or felony, or if two or more persons make complaints to the officer, the officer shall try to determine who was the primary aggressor. Arrest is the preferred response only with respect to the primary aggressor and not the preferred response with respect to a person who acts in a reasonable manner to protect or defend himself or herself or another family or household member from dating violence.

(15) A person who willfully violates a condition of pretrial release provided in s. [903.047](#), when the original arrest was for an act of dating violence as defined in this section, commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. [775.082](#) or s. [775.083](#), and shall be held in custody until his or her first appearance.

(16) A law enforcement officer acting in good faith under this section and the officer's employing agency shall be immune from all liability, civil or criminal, that might otherwise be incurred or imposed by reason of the officer's or agency's actions in carrying out the provisions of this section.

History.—s. 1, ch. 88-344; s. 70, ch. 88-381; s. 12, ch. 91-23; s. 7, ch. 94-134; s. 7, ch. 94-135; s. 14, ch. 94-170; s. 10, ch. 95-182; s. 38, ch. 95-184; s. 13, ch. 95-195; s. 1198, ch. 97-102; s. 8, ch. 97-155; s. 54, ch. 99-193; s. 21, ch. 2002-55; s. 2, ch. 2003-117; s. 1, ch. 2004-17; s. 142, ch. 2005-2; s. 1, ch. 2005-246; s. 109, ch. 2006-1; s. 2, ch. 2008-252; s. 8, ch. 2009-215; s. 2, ch. 2011-187; s. 2, ch. 2012-154; s. 297, ch. 2014-19; s. 5, ch. 2014-35; s. 3, ch. 2015-17; s. 2, ch. 2017-65; s. 9, ch. 2019-4.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: _____

Division: _____

Petitioner,

and

Respondent.

TEMPORARY INJUNCTION FOR PROTECTION AGAINST SEXUAL VIOLENCE

The Petition for Injunction for Protection Against Sexual Violence under Section 784.046, Florida Statutes, and other papers filed in this Court have been reviewed. Under the laws of Florida, the Court has jurisdiction of the petitioner and the subject matter and has jurisdiction of the respondent upon service of the temporary injunction. The term Petitioner as used in this injunction includes the person on whose behalf this injunction is entered.

It is intended that this protection order meet the requirements of 18 U.S.C. Section 2265 and therefore intended that it be accorded full faith and credit by the court of another state or Indian tribe and enforced as if it were the order of the enforcing state or of the Indian tribe.

SECTION I. NOTICE OF HEARING

Because this Temporary Injunction for Protection Against Sexual Violence has been issued without notice to Respondent, the Petitioner and Respondent are instructed that they are scheduled to appear and testify at a hearing regarding this matter on *{date}* _____, _____, at _____ a.m./p.m., when the Court will consider whether to issue a Final Judgment of Injunction for Protection Against Sexual Violence, which shall remain in effect until modified or dissolved by the Court, and whether other things should be ordered. The hearing will be before The Honorable _____, at the Manatee County Judicial Center, 1051 Manatee Avenue West, Bradenton, Florida. If Petitioner and/or Respondent do not appear, this temporary injunction may be continued in force, extended, or dismissed, and/or additional orders may be granted, including entry of a permanent injunction and the imposition of court costs. Petitioner and Respondent will be bound by the terms of any injunction or order issued at the final hearing. All witnesses and evidence, if any, must be presented at this time.

IF EITHER PETITIONER OR RESPONDENT DO NOT APPEAR AT THE FINAL HEARING, HE OR SHE WILL BE BOUND BY THE TERMS OF ANY INJUNCTION OR ORDER ISSUED IN THIS MATTER.

NOTICE: Because this is a civil case, there is no requirement that these proceedings be transcribed at public expense.

YOU ARE ADVISED THAT IN THIS COURT electronic recording only is provided by the court. A party may arrange in advance for the services of and provide for a court reporter to prepare a written transcript of the proceedings at that party's expense.

A RECORD, WHICH INCLUDES A TRANSCRIPT, MAY BE REQUIRED TO SUPPORT AN APPEAL. THE PARTY SEEKING THE APPEAL IS RESPONSIBLE FOR HAVING THE TRANSCRIPT PREPARED BY A COURT REPORTER. THE TRANSCRIPT MUST BE FILED WITH THE REVIEWING COURT OR THE APPEAL MAY BE DENIED.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Manatee County Jury Office, P.O. Box 25400, Bradenton, Florida 34206, (941)741-4062 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

SECTION II. FINDINGS

The statements made under oath by Petitioner make it appear that Section 784.046, Florida Statutes, applies to the parties, that Petitioner is a victim of sexual violence by Respondent and meets the requirements for an injunction established by law.

SECTION III. TEMPORARY INJUNCTION AND TERMS

This injunction shall be effective until the hearing set above and in no event for longer than 15 days, unless extended by court order or unless the Respondent is incarcerated, and if incarcerated, shall be effective for 15 days following the date Respondent is released from incarceration. If a final order of injunction is issued, the terms of this temporary injunction will be extended until service of the final injunction is effected upon Respondent. This injunction is valid and enforceable in all counties of the State of Florida. The terms of this injunction may not be changed by either party alone or by both parties together. Only the Court may modify the terms of this injunction. Either party may ask the Court to change or end this injunction.

Willful violation of the terms of this injunction, such as refusing to vacate the dwelling which the parties share, going to Petitioner's residence, place of employment, school, or other place prohibited in this injunction, telephoning, contacting or communicating with Petitioner, if prohibited by this injunction, or committing an act of sexual violence against Petitioner constitutes a misdemeanor of the first degree punishable by up to one year in jail, as provided by Sections 775.082 and 775.083, Florida Statutes.

Any party violating this injunction may be subject to civil or indirect criminal contempt proceedings, including the imposition of a fine or imprisonment and also may be charged with a crime punishable by a fine, jail, or both, as provided by Florida Statutes.

ORDERED and ADJUDGED:

1. **Violence Prohibited.** Respondent shall not commit, or cause any other person to commit, any acts of violence against Petitioner, including assault, aggravated assault, battery, aggravated battery, sexual assault, sexual battery, stalking, aggravated stalking, kidnapping, or false imprisonment, or any criminal offense resulting in physical injury or death. Respondent shall not commit any other violation of the injunction through an intentional unlawful threat, word, or act to do violence to Petitioner.

2. **No Contact. Respondent shall have no contact with the Petitioner unless otherwise provided in this section.**

a. Unless otherwise provided herein, Respondent shall have no contact with Petitioner. Respondent shall not directly or indirectly contact Petitioner in person, by mail, e-mail, fax, telephone, through another person, or in any other manner. Further, Respondent shall not contact or have any third party contact anyone connected with Petitioner's employment or school to inquire about Petitioner or to send any messages to Petitioner. Unless otherwise provided herein, **Respondent shall not go to, in, or within 500 feet of:** Petitioner's current residence *{list address}* _____

_____ or any residence to which Petitioner may move; Petitioner's current or any subsequent place of employment *{list address of current employment}* _____ or place where Petitioner attends school *{list address of school}* _____; or the following other places (if requested by Petitioner) where Petitioner or Petitioner's minor child(ren) go often:

{Initial if applies; write N/A if not applicable}

b. _____ Respondent may not knowingly come within 100 feet of Petitioner's automobile at any time.

c. _____ Other provisions regarding contact: _____

_____.

3. **Firearms.**

{Initial all that apply; write N/A if does not apply}

a. _____ Respondent shall not use or possess a firearm or ammunition.

b. _____ Respondent shall surrender any firearms and ammunition in Respondent's possession to the _____ County Sheriff's Department.

c. _____ Other directives relating to firearms and ammunition: _____

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4. **Mailing Address or Designated E-Mail Address(es).** Respondent shall notify the Clerk of the Court of any change in either his or her mailing address, or designated e-mail address(es), within 10 days of the change. All further papers (excluding pleadings requiring personal service) shall be served either by mail to Respondent's last known mailing address or by e-mail to Respondent's designated e-mail address(es). Service by mail shall be complete upon mailing or e-mailing.

5. **Additional order(s) necessary to protect Petitioner from sexual violence:** _____

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SECTION IV. OTHER SPECIAL PROVISIONS

{This section to be used for inclusion of local provisions approved by the chief judge as provided in Florida Family Law Rule 12.610.}

SECTION V. DIRECTIONS TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER IN ENFORCING THIS INJUNCTION

{Unless ordered otherwise by the judge, all provisions in this injunction are considered mandatory provisions and should be interpreted as part of this injunction.}

1. The Sheriff of Manatee County, or any other authorized officer, is ordered to serve this temporary injunction upon Respondent as soon as possible after its issuance.
2. **This injunction is valid and enforceable in all counties of the State of Florida.** Violation of this injunction should be reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency. Law enforcement officers of the jurisdiction in which a violation of this injunction occurs shall enforce the provisions of this injunction and are authorized to arrest without a warrant pursuant to section 901.15, Florida Statutes, for any violation of its provisions, which constitutes a criminal act under Section 784.047, Florida Statutes.
3. Should any Florida law enforcement officer having jurisdiction have probable cause to believe that Respondent has knowingly violated this injunction, the officer may arrest Respondent, confine him/her in the county jail without bail, and shall bring him/her before the Initial Appearance Judge on the next regular court day so that Respondent can be dealt with according to law. The arresting agent shall notify the State Attorney's Office immediately after arrest. **THIS INJUNCTION IS ENFORCEABLE IN ALL COUNTIES OF FLORIDA AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS MAY EFFECT ARRESTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 901.15(6), FLORIDA STATUTES.**
4. **Reporting alleged violations.** If Respondent violates the terms of this injunction and there has not been an arrest, Petitioner may contact the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the county in which

the violation occurred and complete an affidavit in support of the violation or Petitioner may contact the State Attorney's office for assistance in filing an action for indirect civil contempt or indirect criminal contempt. Upon receiving such a report, the State Attorney is hereby appointed to prosecute such violations by indirect criminal contempt proceedings, or the State Attorney may decide to file a criminal charge, if warranted by the evidence.

DONE AND ORDERED in Bradenton, Florida on _____.

CIRCUIT JUDGE

COPIES TO:

Sheriff of Manatee County

Petitioner : (or his or her attorney)

_____ by U. S. Mail

_____ by hand delivery in open court

_____ by e-mail to designated e-mail address(es)

Respondent:

_____ forwarded to sheriff for service

_____ State Attorney's Office

_____ Other: _____

I CERTIFY the foregoing is a true copy of the original **Temporary Injunction for Protection Against Sexual Violence** as it appears on file in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Manatee County, Florida, and that I have furnished copies of this order as indicated above

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

(SEAL)

By: _____
Deputy Clerk or Judicial Assistant

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: _____

Division: _____

Petitioner,

and

Respondent.

**ORDER SETTING HEARING ON PETITION FOR INJUNCTION
FOR PROTECTION AGAINST
 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPEAT VIOLENCE
 DATING VIOLENCE SEXUAL VIOLENCE STALKING
WITHOUT ISSUANCE OF AN INTERIM TEMPORARY INJUNCTION**

A Petition for Injunction for Protection Against: Domestic Violence filed under section 741.30, Florida Statutes; Repeat, Dating, or Sexual Violence filed under section 784.046, Florida Statutes; or Stalking filed under section 784.0485, Florida Statutes, has been reviewed. This Court has jurisdiction of the parties and of the subject matter. Upon review of the Petition, this Court concludes that a Temporary Injunction for Protection Against Domestic Violence; Repeat, Dating, or Sexual Violence; or Stalking, pending the hearing scheduled below, **NOT** be entered at this time but that an injunction may be entered after the hearing, depending on the findings made by the Court at that time.

FINDINGS:

The Court finds that based upon the facts, as stated in the Petition alone and without a hearing on the matter, there is no appearance of an immediate and present danger of domestic violence; repeat, dating or sexual violence, or stalking, or that stalking exists. Therefore, there is not a sufficient factual basis upon which the court can enter a Temporary Injunction for Protection Against Domestic, Repeat, Dating, or Sexual Violence, or Stalking, prior to a hearing. A hearing is scheduled on the Petition for Injunction for Protection Against Domestic, Repeat, Dating, or Sexual Violence, or Stalking, in Section II of this Order. Petitioner may amend or supplement the Petition at any time to state further reasons why a Temporary Injunction should be ordered which would be in effect until the hearing scheduled below.

NOTICE OF HEARING

Petitioner and Respondent are ordered to appear and testify at a hearing on the Petition for Injunction for Protection Against Domestic, Repeat, Dating, or Sexual Violence, or Stalking on:
_____, at _____ a.m./p.m. at the Manatee County Judicial Center, 1051 Manatee Avenue West, Bradenton, Florida at which time the Court will consider whether a Final Judgment of Injunction for Protection Against Domestic, Repeat, Dating, or Sexual Violence, or Stalking should be entered. If entered, the injunction will remain in effect until a fixed date set by the Court or until modified or dissolved by the Court. At the hearing, the Court will determine whether other things should be ordered, including, for example, such matters as time-sharing and support, if appropriate.

If Petitioner and/or Respondent do not appear, orders may be entered, including entry of a permanent injunction and the imposition of court costs. Petitioner and Respondent will be bound by the terms of any injunction or order issued at the final hearing.

IF EITHER PETITIONER OR RESPONDENT DO NOT APPEAR AT THE FINAL HEARING, HE OR SHE WILL BE BOUND BY THE TERMS OF ANY INJUNCTION OR ORDER ISSUED IN THIS MATTER.

All witnesses and evidence, if any, must be presented at this time. In cases where temporary support issues have been alleged in the pleadings, each party is ordered to bring his or her financial affidavit (Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.902(b) or (c)), tax return, pay stubs, and other evidence of financial income to the hearing.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND STALKING HEARINGS:

Court proceedings concerning domestic violence or stalking are required by law to be recorded. This recording may be by electronic means. No written transcript of the Court's recording will be provided to the parties. Either party may arrange for a court reporter to prepare a written transcript of the hearing at that party's expense.

REPEAT VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE, OR SEXUAL VIOLENCE HEARINGS:

The law does not require court proceedings concerning repeat, dating, or sexual violence to be recorded; however, either party may arrange for a court reporter to record the hearing and prepare a written transcript of the hearing at that party's expense. Arrangements for a court reporter must be made in advance.

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Nothing in this order limits Petitioner's rights to dismiss the petition.

DONE AND ORDERED in Bradenton, Florida, on _____.

CIRCUIT JUDGE

COPIES TO:

Sheriff of _____ County

Petitioner:

by hand delivery in open court

by e-mail to designated e-mail address(es)

Respondent: forwarded to sheriff for service

I CERTIFY the foregoing is a true copy of the original **Order Setting Hearing on Petition for Injunction** as it appears on file in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Manatee County, Florida, and that I have furnished copies of this order as indicated above.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

(SEAL)

By: _____
{Deputy Clerk }

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: _____

Division: _____

Petitioner,

and

Respondent.

**ORDER DENYING PETITION FOR INJUNCTION FOR PROTECTION AGAINST
() DOMESTIC VIOLENCE () REPEAT VIOLENCE
() DATING VIOLENCE () SEXUAL VIOLENCE () STALKING**

The Court has reviewed the Petition for Injunction for Protection Against Domestic, Repeat, Dating, or Sexual Violence, or Stalking filed in this cause, and finds that Petitioner has failed to comply with one or more statutory requirements applicable to that petition, including the following:

1. ____ Petitioner has failed to allege in a petition for domestic violence that Respondent is a family or household member as that term is defined by Chapter 741, Florida Statutes.
2. ____ Petitioner has used a petition form other than that which is approved by the Court and the form used lacks the statutorily required components.
3. ____ Petitioner has failed to complete a mandatory portion of the petition.
4. ____ Petitioner has failed to sign the petition.
5. ____ Petitioner has failed to allege facts sufficient to support the entry of an injunction for protection against domestic, repeat, dating, or sexual violence; or stalking because:

_____.

6. ____ Other: _____

_____.

It is therefore, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the petition is denied without prejudice to amend or supplement the petition to cure the above stated defects.

DONE AND ORDERED in Bradenton, Florida, on _____.

CIRCUIT JUDGE

COPIES TO:

Petitioner:

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I CERTIFY the foregoing is a true copy of the original **Order Denying Hearing on Petition for Injunction** as it appears on file in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Manatee County, Florida, and that I have furnished copies of this order as indicated above.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

By: _____
{Deputy Clerk}