

STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE \_\_\_\_\_ COURT \_\_\_\_\_  
 ) SS: ( \_\_\_\_\_ DIVISION, ROOM \_\_\_\_\_ )  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, )  
Petitioner (Your Name) )  
vs. )  
\_\_\_\_\_, )  
Respondent (Person to be Restrained) )

**PETITION FOR AN ORDER FOR PROTECTION AND REQUEST FOR A HEARING—Filed by Person Seeking Protection**

**IMPORTANT: This is a public document and a copy of it will be placed in the Court's file. A copy may also be sent to the Respondent.  
(Check those which apply)**

**1. I am filing this Petition for myself:**

- a. I am or have been a victim of domestic or family violence;
- b. I am or have been a victim of a sex offense;
- c. I am or have been a victim of stalking.

**2. The Respondent's relationship to me is:**

- a. the Respondent is my family or household member (*check only the line which best applies*):
  - the Respondent is, or used to be, my spouse;
  - the Respondent and I resided together in an intimate relationship;
  - the Respondent and I have a child in common;
  - the Respondent and I are dating, or have dated, each other;
  - the Respondent and I are, or have been, engaged in a sexual relationship;
  - the Respondent and I are related by blood or adoption. The Respondent is my \_\_\_\_\_;
  - the Respondent and I are, or used to be, related by marriage. The Respondent is my \_\_\_\_\_;
  - the Respondent is, or used to be, my guardian;
  - the Respondent is, or used to be, my ward;
  - the Respondent is, or used to be, my custodian;
  - the Respondent is, or used to be, my foster parent; or,
  - I am a minor child of a person in one of the types of relationships described above.
- b.  the Respondent has committed stalking against me.
- c.  the Respondent has committed a sex offense against me.

3. **How old is the Respondent?** \_\_\_\_\_ years old.
4. **Please list all cases (divorce, protection orders, paternity, guardianship, criminal, juvenile, civil) involving the Respondent, yourself, or a child you have with the Respondent (attach additional sheets of paper if necessary):**

Case Name	Case Number	County & State

\_\_\_\_\_ **Continued on Attachment 4a.**

5. **This case is filed in this county because:**
- \_\_\_\_\_ a. the Respondent lives in this county.
- \_\_\_\_\_ b. the incident(s) of domestic or family violence, stalking, or the sex offense happened in this county.
- \_\_\_\_\_ c. I live in this county.
6. **If you are not represented by an attorney, fill in your public mailing address:**

\_\_\_\_\_

This address will not be kept secret, so you should use a mailing address that you feel comfortable having public. If you want information on how to use the Attorney General’s Address Confidentiality Program, call that office at: 1-800-321-1907 to get information on how to participate in that program.

7. **The Respondent has committed the following act(s) of domestic or family violence, stalking, or a sex offense (check those which apply):**
- \_\_\_ the Respondent attempted to cause physical harm to me;
- \_\_\_ the Respondent threatened to cause physical harm to me;
- \_\_\_ the Respondent did cause physical harm to me;
- \_\_\_ the Respondent placed me in fear of physical harm;
- \_\_\_ the Respondent caused me to involuntarily engage in sexual activity by force, threat of force, or duress;
- \_\_\_ the Respondent committed stalking against me;
- \_\_\_ the Respondent committed a sex offense against me;
- \_\_\_ the Respondent committed an act of animal cruelty by beating, torturing, mutilating, or killing a vertebrate animal without justification with an intent to threaten, intimidate, coerce, harass or terrorize a family or household member.

8. Describe what happened in each of the above incidents including the date(s), place(s) and witnesses to each incident (*attach additional sheets of paper if necessary*):

Date of Incident #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Incident: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Incident:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

List the names of all of the people who were present during the incident. You must include your own name if you were present:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date of Incident #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Incident: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Incident:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

List the names of all of the people who were present during the incident. You must include your own name if you were present:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date of Incident #3: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Incident: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Incident:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

List the names of all of the people who were present during the incident. You must include your own name if you were present:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Continued on Attachment 8a.

9. I am asking the Court to order the following relief (*check all which apply*):

\_\_\_ Prohibit the Respondent from committing, or threatening to commit, acts of domestic or family violence, stalking, or sex offenses against me;

\_\_\_ Prohibit the Respondent from committing, or threatening to commit, acts of domestic or family violence, stalking, or sex offenses against my family or

household members, whose names are:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_;

\_\_\_ Prohibit the Respondent from harassing, annoying, telephoning, contacting, or directly or indirectly communicating with me;

\_\_\_ Order the Respondent to stay away from my residence, school, place of employment, or other place, which is the \_\_\_\_\_, located at:

\_\_\_\_\_;

\_\_\_ Order the Respondent to stay away from the following location(s) frequented by my family or household member(s), which may include a residence, school, or place of employment: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_;

***NOTE: The following requested relief may be granted immediately by the Judge, but the Court must hold a hearing within thirty (30) days:***

\_\_\_ Evict the Respondent from my residence, which is located at:

\_\_\_\_\_;

\_\_\_ Order the Respondent to give me the possession and use of the following:

\_\_\_ The residence located at: \_\_\_\_\_;

\_\_\_ An automobile/other motor vehicle described as: \_\_\_\_\_;

\_\_\_\_\_;

\_\_\_ Other necessary personal items, described as: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_;

\_\_\_\_\_;

\_\_\_ Order the following additional relief necessary to provide for my safety and welfare and the safety and welfare of my family or household members:

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\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_.

***NOTE: The following requested relief may be granted ONLY after notice to the Respondent and at a hearing to be held within thirty (30) days:***

\_\_\_ Specify the arrangements for parenting time with our minor child(ren);

\_\_\_ Require that parenting time be supervised by a third party;

\_\_\_ Deny the Respondent parenting time;

\_\_\_ Order the Respondent to pay my attorney fees;

\_\_\_ Order the Respondent to pay rent for my residence;

\_\_\_ Order the Respondent to make payment on a mortgage for my residence;

\_\_\_ Order the Respondent to pay child support for our minor child(ren);

\_\_\_ Order the Respondent to pay support/maintenance for me;

\_\_\_ Order the Respondent to reimburse me for expenses related

to the domestic or family violence, stalking, or sex offense as follows

*(specify the amount for each expense and bring documentation of the expense with you to Court for the Hearing):*

- \_\_\_ Medical expenses: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_ Counseling: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_ Shelter: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_ Repair or replacement of damaged property: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_ Other costs or fees I have as a result of bringing this case: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_ Prohibit the Respondent from using or possessing a firearm, ammunition, or deadly weapon;
- \_\_\_ Order the Respondent to surrender the following firearm(s), ammunition, or deadly weapon(s) to a specified law enforcement agency (*list each item below and attach an additional sheet of paper if necessary*):

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\_\_\_\_\_;

\_\_\_ Continued on Attachment 9a.

**10. Number of pages attached: \_\_\_\_\_**

By filing this Petition, I am respectfully requesting that the Court immediately issue an Ex Parte Order for Protection. I understand that, if I have asked the Court for any of the following:

- evicting the Respondent from my/our home;
- giving me the possession of personal property;
- establishing rules for child parenting time;
- requiring the Respondent to pay fees, expenses, or child support;
- forbidding the Respondent from possessing a firearm, ammunition, or a deadly weapon; or,
- ordering the Respondent to surrender firearm(s), ammunition, or deadly weapons,

I must also ask the Court to set a date for a Hearing within thirty (30) days of today's date.

I understand that if a Hearing is set, and if I fail to appear for the Hearing, the Court may terminate the Ex Parte Order and dismiss the case.

**I affirm, under the penalties for perjury, that the foregoing representations are true:**

- a. on the basis of my own personal knowledge.
- b. on the basis that I have been informed and believe that the facts stated are true. (*NOTE: If this Petition is made solely on the basis of Petitioner's information and belief, Petitioner must attach affidavits by one or more persons who have personal knowledge of the facts stated.*)

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**PETITIONER (Signature)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**PETITIONER (Type or print name)**