

FINAL PROTECTION FROM ABUSE ORDER <input type="checkbox"/> Extended Order <input type="checkbox"/> Amended Order	IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF _____ COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA NO. _____
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PLAINTIFF

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First Middle Last Plaintiff's DOB

Name(s) of All protected persons, including minor child/ren and DOB:

V.

DEFENDANT

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First Middle Last Suffix

Defendant's Address:

CAUTION:

- ☐ **Weapon Involved**
- ☐ **Weapon Present on the Property**
- ☐ **Weapon Ordered Relinquished**

DEFENDANT IDENTIFIERS			
DOB		HEIGHT	
SEX		WEIGHT	
RACE		EYES	
HAIR			
SSN			
DRIVERS LICENSE #			
EXP DATE		STATE	

The Court Hereby Finds: That it has jurisdiction over the parties and subject matter, and the Defendant has been provided with reasonable notice and opportunity to be heard.

The Court Hereby Orders:

- ☐ Defendant shall not abuse, harass, stalk or threaten any of the above persons in any place where they might be found.
- ☐ Except as provided in paragraph 5 of this order, Defendant shall not contact Plaintiff, or any other person protected under this order, by telephone or by any other means, including through third persons.
- ☐ Additional findings of this order are set forth below.

Order Effective Date _____ **Order Expiration Date** _____

NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANT

Violation of this order may result in your arrest on the charge of indirect criminal contempt which is punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000 and/or a jail sentence of up to six months. 23 PA C.S.A. §6114. Violation may also subject you to prosecution and criminal penalties under the Pennsylvania Crimes Code. A violation of this order may result in the revocation of the safekeeping permit, which will require the immediate relinquishment of your firearms, other weapons and ammunition to the sheriff. Plaintiff's consent to contact by Defendant shall **not** invalidate this order which can only be modified by further order of court. 23 PA C.S.A. § 6108(g).

This order is enforceable in all fifty (50) States, the District of Columbia, Tribal Lands, U.S. Territories and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico under the Violence Against Women Act, 18 U.S.C. §2265. If you travel outside of the State and intentionally violate this order, you may be subject to federal criminal proceedings under that Act. 18 U.S.C §§2261-2262. If you possess a firearm or any ammunition while this order is in effect, you may be charged with a federal offense even if this Pennsylvania order does not expressly prohibit you from possessing firearms or ammunition. 18 U.S.C §922(g)(8).

(Check all that apply)

Plaintiff or Protected Person(s) is/are:

- ☐ spouse or former spouse of Defendant
- ☐ parent of a child with Defendant
- ☐ current or former sexual or intimate partner with Defendant
- ☐ child of Plaintiff
- ☐ child of Defendant
- ☐ family member related by blood (consanguinity) to Defendant
- ☐ family member related by marriage or affinity to Defendant
- ☐ sibling (person who shares biological parenthood) of Defendant

Defendant was served in accordance with Pa. R.C.P. 1930.4 and provided notice of the time, date and location of the hearing scheduled in this matter.

AND NOW, on _____ the court having jurisdiction over the parties and the subject-matter, it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED as follows:

This order was entered by (check one):

- ☐ By agreement.
- ☐ By agreement without admission.
- ☐ After a hearing and decision by the court.
- ☐ After a hearing at which Defendant was not present, despite proper service being made.
- ☐ By default.
- ☐ Other: _____

Without regard as to how the order was entered, this is a final order of court subject to full enforcement pursuant to the Protection From Abuse Act.

Note: Space is provided below to allow for:

1. the court's general finding of abuse;
2. inclusion of the terms under which the order was entered (e.g., that the order was entered with the consent of the parties, or that the defendant, though properly served, failed to appear for the hearing, or the reasons why the plaintiff's request for a final PFA order was denied); and/or
3. information that may be helpful to law enforcement or the sheriff (e.g., whether a firearm or other weapon was involved in the incident of abuse and/or whether the defendant is believed to be armed and dangerous).

- ☐ Plaintiff's request for a final protection order is **denied**.
- ☐ Plaintiff's request for a final protection order is **granted**.

☐ 1. Defendant shall not abuse, stalk, harass, threaten or attempt to use physical force that would reasonably be expected to cause bodily injury to Plaintiff or any other protected person in any place where they might be found.

☐ 2. Defendant is completely evicted and excluded from the residence at: _____
(NONCONFIDENTIAL ADDRESS FROM WHICH DEFENDANT IS EXCLUDED) or any other residence where Plaintiff or any other person protected under this order may live. Exclusive possession of the residence is granted to Plaintiff. Defendant shall have no right or privilege to enter or be present on the premises of Plaintiff or any other person protected under this order.

☐ On the following date, (below), Defendant may enter the residence to retrieve his/her clothing and other personal effects, provided that Defendant is in the company of a law enforcement officer or sheriff when such retrieval is made and [insert date and any other conditions]: _____

☐ 3. Except as provided in paragraph 5 of this order, Defendant is prohibited from having **ANY CONTACT** with Plaintiff, either directly or indirectly, or any other person protected under this order, at any location, including but not limited to any contact at Plaintiff's school, business, or place of employment. Defendant is specifically ordered to stay away from the following locations for the duration of this order.

☐ 4. Except as provided in paragraph 5 of this order, Defendant shall not contact Plaintiff, or any other person protected under this order, by telephone or by any other means, including through third persons.

☐ 5. Temporary custody of the minor children: (listed below)...

(In the space above, state to whom primary physical custody is awarded; state terms of partial custody or visitation, if any.)

Check all that apply.

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☐ There is a current custody order as to the children of the parties: _____
(Enter the county court and docket number.)

☐ A custody petition is pending.

☐ A hearing is scheduled for: _____
(Date, time and location)

☐ THIS ORDER DOES NOT SUPERSEDE THE CURRENTCUSTODY.

☐ THIS ORDER SUPERSEDES ANY PRIOR ORDER RELATING TO CHILD CUSTODY.

The custody provisions of paragraph 5 of this order are temporary. Either party may initiate custody proceedings pursuant to the custody statute at 23 Pa.C.S. § 5321 et seq. Any valid custody order entered after the final Protection From Abuse order supersedes the custody provisions of this order.

☐ 6. FIREARMS, OTHER WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION RESTRICTIONS

(Check all that apply)

☐ Defendant is prohibited from possessing, transferring or acquiring any firearms for the duration of this order.

☐ Defendant shall relinquish to the sheriff the following firearms licenses owned or possessed by Defendant: _____

☐ Defendant is directed to relinquish to the sheriff any firearm, other weapon or ammunition listed in Attachment A to Final Order, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Defendant may relinquish any firearms, other weapons or ammunition to the sheriff. As an alternative, Defendant may either relinquish firearms, other weapons and ammunition to a third party provided Defendant and the third party first comply with all the requirements to obtain a safekeeping permit, or relinquish firearms, other weapons and ammunition to a licensed firearms dealer for consignment sale, lawful transfer or safekeeping pursuant to 23 Pa.C.S.A. § 6108.2(e). Defendant must relinquish any firearm, other weapon, ammunition or firearm license ordered to be relinquished no later than 24 hours after service of this order. Failure to timely relinquish any firearm, other weapon, ammunition or any firearm license ordered to be relinquished shall result in a violation of this order and may result in criminal conviction under the Uniform Firearms Act, 18 Pa.C.S.A. § 6105.

☐ 7. Any firearm delivered to the sheriff or transferred to a licensed firearm dealer, or a qualified third party who satisfies the procedural and substantive requirements to obtain a safekeeping permit issued under 23 Pa. C.S.A. §6108.3 pursuant to this order or the temporary order shall not be returned to Defendant until further order of court or as otherwise provided by law.

☐ 8. The following additional relief is granted as authorized by §6108 of the Act:

☐ Defendant is prohibited from stalking, as defined in 18 Pa.C.S.A. §2709.1, or harassing, as described in 18 Pa.C.S.A. §2709, the following family and household members of Plaintiff:

1. _____
Name Relationship to Plaintiff

Address (optional)

2. _____
Name Relationship to Plaintiff

Address (optional)

3. _____
Name Relationship to Plaintiff

Address (optional)

☐ (Other relief) _____

☐ 9. Defendant is directed to pay temporary support for... _____

As follows: _____
(In the space above, insert amount, frequency and other terms and conditions of the support order.)

This provision for support shall remain in effect until a final support order is entered by this court. However, this order shall lapse automatically if Plaintiff does not file a complaint for support with the Domestic Relations Section of the court within two weeks of the date of this order. The amount of this temporary order does not necessarily reflect Defendant's correct support obligation, which shall be determined in accordance with the guidelines at the support hearing. Any adjustments in the final amount of support shall be credited, retroactive to this date, to the appropriate party.

☐ 10. ☐ (a) The costs of this action are imposed on Defendant, as follows:

☐ (b) Because this order followed a contested proceeding, or a hearing at which Defendant was not present, despite being served with a copy of the petition, temporary order and notice of the date, time and place of the hearing, Defendant is ordered to pay an additional \$100 surcharge to the court, which shall be distributed in the manner set forth in 23 Pa C.S.A. §6106(d).

☐ (c) Upon a showing of good cause or a finding that the Defendant is unable to pay, the costs of this action are waived.

☐ 11. Defendant shall pay \$_____ to Plaintiff by _____ as compensation for Plaintiff's out-of-pocket losses, which are as follows: _____ An installment scheduled is ordered as follows: _____.

OR

☐ Plaintiff is granted leave to present a petition, with appropriate notice to Defendant, to:

(Insert the name of the judge or court to which the petition should be presented)

requesting recovery of out-of-pocket losses. The petition shall include an exhibit itemizing all claimed out-of-pocket losses, copies of all bills and estimates of repair, and an order scheduling a hearing. No fee shall be required by the prothonotary's office for the filing of this petition.

☐ 12. THIS ORDER SUPERSEDES ANY PRIOR PROTECTION FROM ABUSE ORDER OBTAINED BY THE SAME PLAINTIFF AGAINST THE SAME DEFENDANT.

☐ 13. All provisions of this order shall expire on: (CHECK ONE)

☐ _____ (insert days, months or years)

OR

☐ in three years, on _____ (insert expiration date)

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NOTICE TO SHERIFF, POLICE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS

The police and sheriff who have jurisdiction over Plaintiff's residence OR any location where a violation of this order occurs OR where Defendant may be located, shall enforce this order. The court shall have jurisdiction over any indirect criminal contempt proceeding, either in the county where the violation occurred or where this protective order was entered. An arrest for violation of paragraphs 1 through 7 of this order may be without warrant, based solely on probable cause, whether or not the violation is committed in the presence of the police or any sheriff. 23 Pa.C.S.A. §6113.

Subsequent to an arrest, and without the necessity of a warrant, the police officer or sheriff shall seize all firearms, other weapons and ammunition in Defendant's possession that were used or threatened to be used during the violation of the protection order or during prior incidents of abuse and any other firearms in Defendant's possession.

The _____ shall maintain possession of the firearms, other weapons or ammunition until further order of this court.

When Defendant is placed under arrest for violation of this order, Defendant shall be taken to the appropriate authority or authorities before whom Defendant is to be arraigned. A "Complaint for Indirect Criminal Contempt" shall then be completed and signed by the police officer, sheriff OR Plaintiff. Plaintiff's presence and signature are not required to file the complaint.

If sufficient grounds for violation of this order are alleged, Defendant shall be arraigned, bond set and both parties given notice of the date of the hearing.

BY THE COURT:

Judge

Date

☐ This order was entered pursuant to the consent of the plaintiff and defendant.

Plaintiff's Signature

Defendant's Signature