

ORDERS OF PROTECTION

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PROTECTION?

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AN ORDER OF
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UNDER AN
ORDER OF
PROTECTION,
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ABUSER NOT
DO?

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ORDER OF
PROTECTION.

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THE ORDER IS
VIOLATED.

WHAT IS AN ORDER OF PROTECTION?

AN ORDER OF PROTECTION (OOP) IS A LEGAL ORDER SIGNED BY A JUDGE.

THE PERSON FILING/PETITIONING FOR THE ORDER OF PROTECTION IS THE "PETITIONER" AND THE PERSON IT IS AGAINST IS THE RESPONDENT

A POLICE REPORT IS NOT REQUIRED TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION FOR AN OOP

AN OOP WILL NOT GO ON THE ABUSER'S/RESPONDENT'S RECORD AS LONG AS THEY ABIDE BY THE ORDER.

ONCE THE ORDER IS SIGNED BY THE JUDGE, IT DEEMS ANY CONTACT, DIRECT OR INDIRECT, STALKING, HARASSMENT, ETC. FROM THE ABUSER/RESPONDENT- AN ARRESTABLE CRIME.

*UNDER AN ORDER OF
PROTECTION, AN
ABUSER/RESPONDENT
CAN BE ORDERED NOT TO:*

*THREATEN OR ABUSE THE
PETITIONER, THE PETITIONER'S
CHILDREN, OR THE
PETITIONER'S PETS*

*CONTACT THE PETITIONER,
DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, OR
THE PETITIONER'S CHILDREN*

*INTERFERE WITH THE
PETITIONER'S UTILITIES*

*OWN OR HAVE ACCESS TO
FIREARMS*

*PETITIONER CAN ALSO
ASK THE COURT*

*TO HAVE THE RESPONDENT
MOVE OUT OF PETITIONER'S
HOME IMMEDIATELY*

*TO ORDER THE RESPONDENT
TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT,
ALIMONY, AND/OR THE
HOUSEHOLD BILLS*

*TO SEPARATE YOUR CELL
PHONE LINES*

*FOR RESPONDENT NOT TO
COME AROUND THE
PETITIONER OR THE
PETITIONER'S CHILDREN, NO
MATTER WHERE THE
PETITIONER IS*

***WHO CAN GET AN
ORDER OF
PROTECTION?***

***PEOPLE WHO ARE
RELATED BY BLOOD,
MARRIAGE, OR ADOPTION***

***PEOPLE WHO ARE OR WHO
HAVE LIVED TOGETHER***

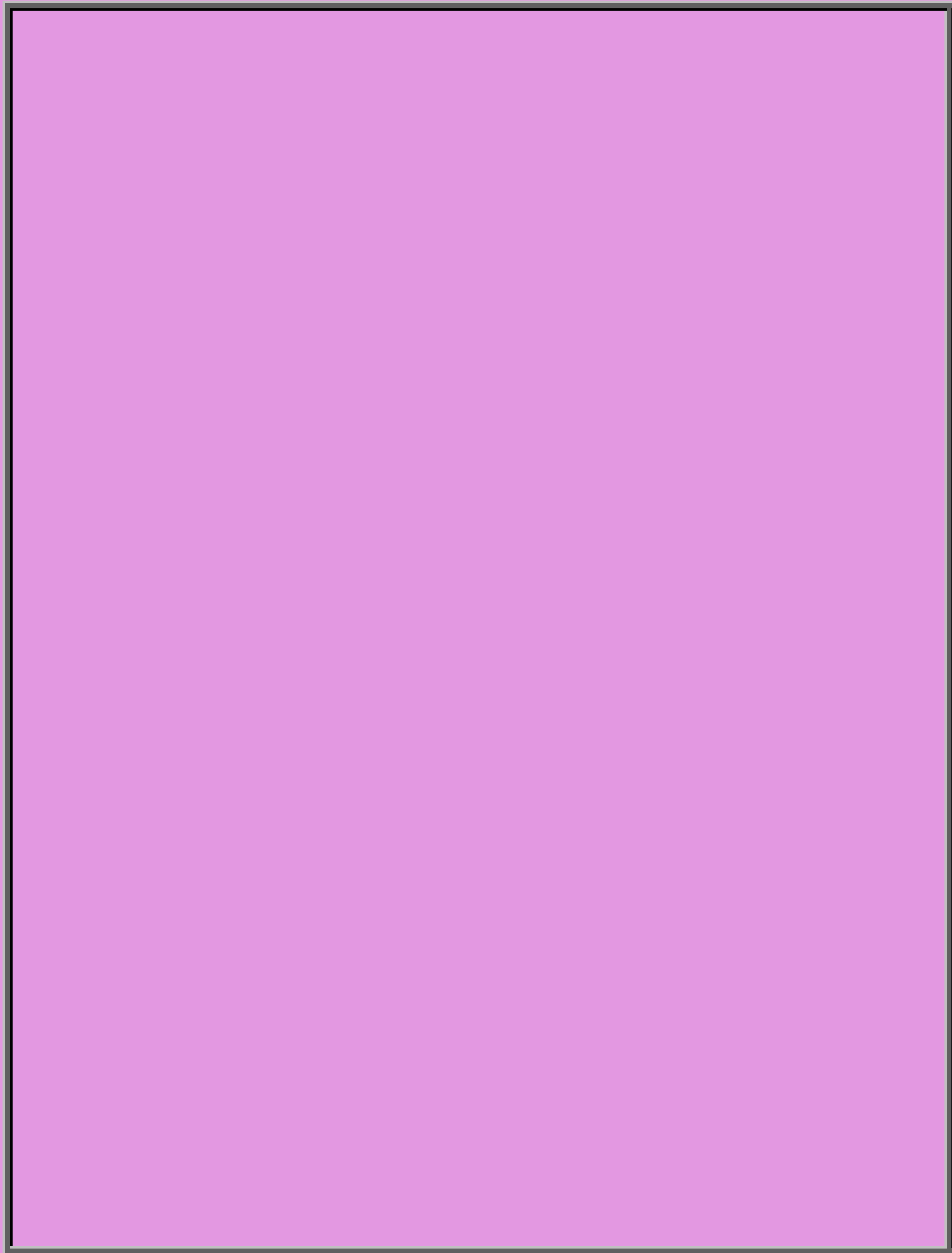
***PEOPLE WHO ARE OR HAVE
DATED OR HAVE HAD SEX***

***WHO CAN GET AN
ORDER OF
PROTECTION?***

***PEOPLE WHO ARE OR HAVE
BEEN MARRIED OR WHO
SHARE CHILDREN
TOGETHER***

***A PERSON WHO HAS BEEN
SEXUALLY ASSAULTED BY
THE RESPONDENT***

***A PERSON WHO HAS
BEEN STALKED BY THE
RESPONDENT***



HOW TO GET AN ORDER OF PROTECTION

*GO TO THE CIRCUIT COURT
CLERK'S OFFICE TO FILE A
PETITION FOR THE ORDER OF
PROTECTION*

BRING:

- *AN ADDRESS FOR THE RESPONDENT (HOME, WORKPLACE, SCHOOL, ETC.)*
- *THE RESPONDENT'S DATE OF BIRTH*
- *A PARENT OR GUARDIAN IF PETITIONER IS UNDER THE AGE OF 18*

NOTE:

*THE ORDER WILL GO INTO EFFECT UPON AN
OFFICER SERVING THE RESPONDENT.*

*(THE RESPONDENT CAN'T BE HELD RESPONSIBLE
FOR VIOLATING THE ORDER IF THEY DON'T KNOW
IT EXISTS.)*

***WHAT TO DO IF
THE ORDER IS
VIOLATED***

***IF THERE IS IMMEDIATE DANGER
WHEN THE ORDER IS VIOLATED
OR THE PETITIONER IS AFRAID
FOR THEIR LIFE, CALL 911***

***IF THERE'S NO IMMEDIATE
DANGER AND THE PETITIONER
WANTS TO REPORT THE
VIOLATION, CALL THE LOCAL
POLICE DEPARTMENT.***

*IF THERE ARE QUESTIONS, ANYONE CAN
CALL THE CHATTANOOGA HAMILTON
COUNTY FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER AT
423-643-7600 OR COME IN AT
5705 UPTAIN RD. CHATTANOOGA,
TN. 37411*

NO APPOINTMENTS NECESSARY

*CHATTANOOGA HAMILTON COUNTY
FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER CAN HELP
REFER YOU TO LEGAL AID OF EAST
TENNESSEE*

423-643-7600

*HAMILTON COUNTY TN CIRCUIT
COURT*

*625 GEORGIA AVE. CHATTANOOGA,
TN. 37402*

423-209-6700