

Commonwealth of Puerto Rico  
GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE

**Court of First Instance**

Superior  Municipal Court of \_\_\_\_\_

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| _____<br>Petitioner<br>v.<br>_____<br>Respondent |
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Case No. \_\_\_\_\_

Re: Protection Order

Law No. 57 of 2023, Abuse Prevention,  
Family Preservation, and Child Safety,  
Well-being, and Protection Act

**APPLICATION FOR PROTECTION ORDER**

To the Honorable Court:

Comes now the petitioner and respectfully states, alleges, and prays:

1) My name is: \_\_\_\_\_ .

2) I request a protection order in favor:

| Name of child | Age | Name of child | Age |
|---------------|-----|---------------|-----|
| 1.            |     | 6.            |     |
| 2.            |     | 7.            |     |
| 3.            |     | 8.            |     |
| 4.            |     | 9.            |     |
| 5.            |     | 10.           |     |

3) I am the children's \_\_\_\_\_ .  
(Relation to the child or children. E.g. father, mother, official, other)

4) The personal information of the respondent against whom the protection order is sought is:

First and Last Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Nickname: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex:  Male  Identifies as: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Female  I don't know.  
 Intersex  I rather not answer.

5) Which of the following best describes the respondent? (Check all that apply):

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black or of African Descent | <input type="checkbox"/> Identifies as: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> White                       | <input type="checkbox"/> I don't know.        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Indigenous Peoples          | <input type="checkbox"/> I rather not answer. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian                       |   |

6) Which of the following best describes the respondent? (Check all that apply):

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Puerto Rican   | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American (USA) | <input type="checkbox"/> European             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dominican      | <input type="checkbox"/> Identifies as: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Colombian      | <input type="checkbox"/> I don't know.        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mexican        | <input type="checkbox"/> I rather not answer. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cuban          |   |

7) Respondent's mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone numbers: ( ) - ( ) -

Workplace: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: ( ) -

Workplace address: \_\_\_\_\_

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8) The respondent is the children's \_\_\_\_\_ .  
(Relation to the child or children; e.g. father, mother, other)

9)  Diligent efforts have been unsuccessful in serving on the respondent the summons issued and a copy of the application filed with this court. Such efforts consisted of:

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

There is a likelihood that serving prior notice on the respondent would cause the irreparable harm that the protection order is intended to prevent.

There is imminent risk of abuse.

10) The children have been the victim of  abuse  neglect  suspected abuse  there is imminent risk that they will be abused  the children have been exposed to domestic violence, based on the following events:

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

11) Who has parental rights over the children?

\_\_\_\_\_  
If the persons with parental rights over the children are not a party to this case, provide the following information:

First and Last Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone numbers: ( ) - \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) - \_\_\_\_\_

First and Last Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone numbers: ( ) - \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) - \_\_\_\_\_

12) The children live with: \_\_\_\_\_

13) A protection order has been previously issued against the respondent:  Yes  No

A. Number of protection orders: \_\_\_\_\_ date(s) (dd/mm/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_  
Courtroom \_\_\_\_\_

B. The respondent has violated a prior protection order:  Yes  No

C. Presently,  there is  there is no criminal or civil action pending for these events in  
Courtroom \_\_\_\_\_ of the Court of First Instance, case number  
\_\_\_\_\_.

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D. There is a criminal investigation underway by the  State Police  \_\_\_\_\_  
Municipal Police, on \_\_\_\_\_.

I request that this Court grant the following remedies:

1. Award temporary custody of the following children to the petitioner or to the closest relative who can ensure their best interests and safety:

| Name of the child | Name of person with custody |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1.                |                             |
| 2.                |                             |
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2. Order the respondent to vacate the home shared with the children, regardless of any right that may be claimed on the same.

3. Order the respondent to refrain from disturbing, harassing, pursuing, intimidating, threatening or otherwise interfering with the exercise of temporary custody over the children, or to contact the petitioner by any electronic means, by phone, letter or through third parties.

4. Order the respondent to refrain from approaching or entering any place where the children may be.

Order the respondent to refrain from calling, approaching, or entering:

the children's home and surroundings.

the place where the children attend school and surroundings.

the children's daycare and surroundings.

the home of the children's relatives and surroundings.

any place where the children may be.

other place: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Order the respondent to pay rent or mortgage on the home where the children live.  
Payment will be made: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Order the respondent to pay child support.  Order that child support payments be made through the Child Support Administration (ASUME, by its Spanish acronym).

8. Order the respondent to participate in programs or receive the necessary treatment to cease the abusive behavior or negligence toward the children.

9. Order the respondent to pay for the programs or necessary treatment the children receive or should receive as victims of abuse or neglect.

10. Order the respondent to refrain from disposing of real or personal property belonging to the children.

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11. Order that custody of the children’s pets:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of pets)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Description of pets)

be surrendered to: \_\_\_\_\_ . (Law No. 154  
of August 4, 2008, Animal Protection and Welfare Act).

12. Order the respondent to stay away and refrain from approaching the pets. (Law No. 154  
of August 4, 2008, Animal Protection and Welfare Act).

13. Refer the case to the Department of the Family on the belief that there is a child who has  
been or is at risk of being a victim of abuse or neglect.

I further request the following relief:

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I request that the Court grant this application and the relief sought, and any other provisional  
remedy that this Court may deem appropriate.

In \_\_\_\_\_ , Puerto Rico, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ .  
(day) (month) (year)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Petitioner

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Petitioner