

**REASONS YOU MAY FILE FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER**

Check all that apply regarding your situation:

**\*\*ADULT\*\***

\_\_\_ 1. I am a victim of “**Domestic Violence**” as described:

**I.C. 5-26.5-1-3 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

Sec.3. “Domestic Violence” includes conduct that is an element of an offense under I.C. 35-42 or a threat to commit an act described in I.C. 35-42 by a person against a person who:

- (1) is or was a spouse of;
- (2) is or was living as if a spouse of;
- (3) has a child in common with;
- (4) is a minor subject to the control of; or
- (5) is an incapacitated individual under the guardianship or otherwise subject to the control of;

the other person regardless of whether the act or threat has been reported to a law enforcement agency or results in a criminal prosecution.

*As added by P.L. 273-2001 Sec 3*

\_\_\_ 2. I am a victim of “**Stalking**” as described:

**I.C. 35-45-10-1 STALKING**

Sec.1. As used in this chapter, “**Stalk**” means a knowing or an intentional course of conduct involving **repeated or continuing harassment** of another person that would cause a reasonable person to feel terrorized, frightened, intimidate, or threatened and that actually causes the victim to feel terrorized, frightened, intimidated, or threatened. The term does not include statutorily or constitutionally protected activity.

\_\_\_ 3. I am a victim of a “**Sexual Offense**” as described:

**I.C. 35-42-4-4 SEXUAL OFFENSE**

“Sexual Conduct” means sexual intercourse, deviate sexual conduct, exhibition of the uncovered genitals intended to satisfy or arouse the sexual desires of any person, sado-masochistic abuse, sexual intercourse or deviate sexual conduct with an animal, or any fondling or touching of a child by another person or of another person by a child intended to arouse or satisfy the sexual desires of either the child or the other person.

\_\_\_ 4. I am a victim of “**Workplace Violence**” as described:

**HEA 1232 WORKPLACE VIOLENCE**

“.....not involving family members or household members....”Where a person is involved in a **repeated and continually** harassment of another person, at work, that would cause a reasonable person to feel terrorized, frightened, intimidated, or threatened and that actually causes the victim to feel terrorized, frightened, intimidated, or threatened.

**\*\*\*NOTICE\*\*\***

Address listed on the WHITE forms will be considered public information.

If you are living at a safe location, please list that address on the GREEN confidential form so the court will know how to contact you.

**\*\*\*\*Please See Page 2\*\*\*\***

**Please answer the following questions to help us determine the correct filing procedure. Please return this form back to Clerk's Office Staff when completed.**

1. Is there now, or has there ever been a **divorce case** between the PARENT and Respondent (person you are filing against)?  Yes  No

If **YES**, where was your divorce filed? \_\_\_\_\_ (County), \_\_\_\_\_ (State)

2. Is there now, or has there ever been a **protective order case** between the Petitioner (CHILD) and Respondent (person you are filing against)?  Yes  No

If **YES**, where was your protective order filed? \_\_\_\_\_ (County), \_\_\_\_\_ (State)

3. Is there now, or has there ever been a **paternity, custody or support case** between the PARENT and Respondent?  Yes  No

If **YES**, where was your case filed? \_\_\_\_\_ (County), \_\_\_\_\_ (State)

4. Are the Petitioner (CHILD) and Respondent living in the same household?  Yes  No

5. Are there any other criminal or civil cases involving either the Petitioner or Respondent?  Yes  No

If **YES**, where did these criminal/civil cases occur? \_\_\_\_\_ (County), \_\_\_\_\_ (State)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\* Please note\*\***

Filling out this protective order petition does **NOT** guarantee a protective order will be granted. These determinations are made solely by the either the Decatur County Superior/Circuit Court Judge's.

The Clerk's Office can **NOT** assist you in locating a correct address or date of birth for the respondents. This information is up to **YOU** to provide.

Also, the Clerk's Office employees are **NOT** permitted to give any kind of legal advice. If you have legal questions you will need to consult an attorney for advice.