

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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 COUNTY OF _____)
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 Complainant)
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 vs.)
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 _____)
 Respondent.)
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IN THE MAGISTRATES COURT
 CASE NUMBER: _____

PETITION FOR EMERGENCY RESTRAINING
 ORDER

I ask this court to issue an Emergency Restraining Order, because:

1. I am (check one):
 - a. The victim of the criminal offense(s) (as defined in S.C. Code Ann. §16-3-1900(3)) that occurred in this State; or
 - b. A competent adult who resides in this State on behalf of a minor child who is a victim of a criminal offense(s) (as defined in S.C. Code Ann. §16-3-1900(3)) that occurred in this State; or
 - c. A witness who assisted the prosecuting entity in the prosecution of a criminal offense(s) (as defined in S.C. Code Ann. §16-3-1900(3)) that occurred in this State.

2. This is the county where this case should be handled, since (check one):
 - a. The respondent currently resides in this county; or,
 - b. The criminal offense(s) occurred in this county; or,
 - c. The respondent does not live in this State, or cannot be found, but I live in this county.

3. The respondent was convicted of the following qualifying criminal offense(s) for which the victim was the subject of the crime(s) or a witness which assisted the prosecuting entity: _____

4. The conviction(s) took place in _____ County on _____ (date). The prosecuting entity/agency was _____, and in the _____ Court.

5. Complainant requests: (Check one or more)
 - a. That the respondent be temporarily enjoined from abusing, threatening to abuse, or molesting the victim, witness, or members of the victim's or witness's family.
 - b. That the respondent be temporarily enjoined from entering or attempting to enter the victim's or witness's place of residence, employment, education, or other location.
 - c. That the respondent be temporarily enjoined from communicating or attempting to communicate with the victim, witness, or members of the victim's or witness's family in a way that would violate the provisions of this section.

Sworn to and Subscribed before me)
 this _____ day of _____, 20____)
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 _____)
 Notary Public for South Carolina)
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 My Commission expires _____)

 Signature of Complainant or
 Person on Behalf of Complainant under 18 years
 old

NOTICE TO RESPONDENT: YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO RETAIN COUNSEL TO REPRESENT YOU.