

FAMILY COURT TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDERS

You may request a Family Court temporary restraining order (TRO) if the person abusing you:

- ❖ Is someone you are married to or were married to
- ❖ Is a family member
- ❖ Is a blood relative
- ❖ Lives with you (*Does not include those who are, or were, adult roommates or cohabitants only by virtue of an economical or contractual affiliation*)
- ❖ Is someone with whom you had a child
- ❖ Is in a dating relationship with you

If none of the above situations apply to you, you may request a District Court temporary restraining order. Please call the Service Center at 244-2706 for more information.

You **must** submit **one (1) complete copy, either typewritten or handwritten, legibly in black ink of each** of the following documents when applying for a Family Court temporary restraining order:

1. HRS 586 Temporary Restraining Order Transmittal Cover Sheet (if submitting a request in person) **OR**

HRS 586 Temporary Restraining Order Facsimile Transmittal Cover Sheet (if submitting request by facsimile-*see below criteria*)

AND

2. Ex Parte Petition for an HRS 586 Temporary Restraining Order
3. Temporary Restraining Order
4. Notice of a Temporary Restraining Order and Notice of Hearing
5. Proof of Service

All Documents must be submitted **correctly and completely** in person or via fax (*only as per criteria stated below*), between the hours of **8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.** to the Service Center of the Second Circuit Court, 2145 Main Street, Suite 141-A, Wailuku, HI Phone: 244-2706 Fax: 244-2767 (*Faxes are only allowed as per criteria stated below*).

Some things to keep in mind when applying for a Family Court TRO:

- TRO documents may be submitted by facsimile **ONLY** from the districts of Hana, Lahaina, Molokai and Lanai between the hours of **8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.**
- It is important that the documents are filled out as completely as possible and typed or handwritten, legibly and in black ink **ONLY** in order to be reviewed by the judge.
- It is important that **ALL** the documents are provided as per instructions above in order to be reviewed by the judge.
- If the petitioner is under the age of 18, the petition must be filed by the petitioner's guardian on behalf of the petitioner utilizing the forms in the section:
TRO documents filed on behalf of other(s)
- If the respondent is under the age of 18, the petition must be filed naming the respondent's guardian on behalf of the respondent.
- The process may take up to a *few hours* to complete. If the application is submitted late in the day, the documents may not be completed until the next business day.
- If you have more information to include that the form allows, add additional page(s).