

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 NOTE: Rule 9 of the Hawaii Court Record Rules; Parties' Responsibility to protect Personal Information and Account Numbers; Effective September 1, 2012

You **must** submit **one (1) typewritten and complete copy of each** of the following 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)

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

Documents must be submitted **correctly and completely** in person between the hours of **8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.** to the Service Center of the Second Circuit Court, 2145 Main Street, Suite 141-A, Wailuku, HI Phone: 244-2706.

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 3:00 p.m. only.**
- It is important that the documents are filled out as completely as possible and typed.
- It is important that **ALL** the documents are provided as per instructions above
- If the petitioner is under the age of 18, the petition must be filed by the petitioner's guardian on behalf of the petitioner.
- 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).