

## PLEASE READ BEFORE COMPLETING PAPERWORK

The filing of a petition for protection against domestic/repeat violence is a serious legal proceeding. You should not file because of an argument. You must truly believe you are in imminent danger of violence from which you will receive physical injury or death and you sincerely need protection.

The temporary order will require that both parties appear in court. **A TEMPORARY INJUNCTION CANNOT BE DISMISSED WITHOUT APPEARANCE IN COURT, AND APPROVAL OF THE PRESIDING JUDGE.** At the hearing you should be prepared to proceed with your case. Since the hearing is mandatory, if either party fails to appear, that party may be held in contempt of court.

You need to provide as much information as possible for JSO to serve the respondent. A valid service address is mandatory, without it, the respondent will **NOT** be served, and the Judge will not proceed with your case.

I have read this notice carefully, and I understand my responsibility in filing a petition for protection against domestic/repeat violence.

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