

STEPS TO OBTAIN AN ORDER OF PROTECTION

FILE A PETITION

The first step is to file a Petition for Order of Protection with the court. A court hearing will be set.

COURT HEARING

There will then be a hearing where both parties can present their arguments to the judge before he makes his final decision.

VIOLATION

If the abuser violates the Order of Protection, he/she can be charged with a Class A misdemeanor, which could mean up to one year in jail.