



**The Second Judicial District Court
Protection Order Help Center
1 S. Sierra St., 3rd Floor, Room 308
Reno, Nevada**



Protection Orders in District Court

- Nevada Revised Statutes
 - NRS Chapter 3 and NRS Chapter 4
 - NRS Chapter 33
 - NRS Chapter 200
 - NRS Chapter 178 – “no contact” orders
- Legislative Updates - 2023
 - SB 382:
 - removes requirement from NRS Chapter 3 that district court must appoint counsel for a minor adverse party
 - statements made during TPO proceedings involving minor adverse parties are not admissible in criminal proceedings



District Court Relationship Types

- Closely related by blood or marriage (parent, stepparent, child, grandmother/father, in-law)
 - This does not include a sibling or cousin, unless there is a custodial or guardianship relationship established
- Married or registered domestic partners
- Divorced or separated
- Parents of a child in common
- Dating or used to date
 - Defined as “frequent, intimate associations primarily characterized by the expectation of affection or sexual involvement”
 - This does not include a casual relationship
- If the adverse party is a minor



Reno/Sparks Justice Court Relationship Types

A Stalking and Harassment Order can be requested through Reno or Sparks Justice Court if the applicant and the adverse party are:

- Not closely related by blood or marriage, divorced, parents of a shared child, dating/used to date.
- Examples of qualifying relationships include, but are not limited to:
 - Neighbors, roommates, friends, co-workers, acquaintances, strangers, ex in-laws, your ex's new partner, your partner's ex, your fiancé's child.
- Specific blood relations
 - This includes siblings or cousins.



NRS 33.018 Acts which constitute domestic violence; exceptions.

1. Domestic violence occurs when a person commits one of the following acts against or upon the person's spouse or former spouse, any other person to whom the person is related by blood or marriage, any other person with whom the person has had or is having a dating relationship, any other person with whom the person has a child in common, the minor child of any of those persons, the person's minor child or any other person who has been appointed the custodian or legal guardian for the person's minor child:

- (a) A battery.
- (b) An assault.
- (c) Coercion pursuant to [NRS 207.190](#).
- (d) A sexual assault.

(e) A knowing, purposeful or reckless course of conduct intended to harass the other person. Such conduct may include, but is not limited to:

- (1) Stalking.
- (2) Arson.
- (3) Trespassing.
- (4) Larceny.
- (5) Destruction of private property.
- (6) Carrying a concealed weapon without a permit.
- (7) Injuring or killing an animal.
- (8) Burglary.
- (9) An invasion of the home.

(f) A false imprisonment.

(g) Pandering.

2. The provisions of this section do not apply to:

- (a) Siblings, except those siblings who are in a custodial or guardianship relationship with each other; or
- (b) Cousins, except those cousins who are in a custodial or guardianship relationship with each other.

3. As used in this section, "dating relationship" means frequent, intimate associations primarily characterized by the expectation of affectional or sexual involvement. The term does not include a casual relationship or an ordinary association between persons in a business or social context.

(Added to NRS by [1985, 2283](#); A [1995, 902](#); [1997, 1808](#); [2007, 82, 1275](#); [2017, 3179](#); [2019, 1805](#))



Types of Protection Orders

Adverse Party is an Adult or Minor

- Temporary Protection Orders Against Domestic Violence
 - Expires after a maximum of 45 days unless EPO hearing is set
 - Hearing not required
 - Advanced notice to adverse party not required
- Extended Protection Orders Against Domestic Violence
 - Up to two years
 - Hearing required within 45 days of TPO
 - Advanced notice of hearing to adverse party required
- High Risk Protection Order
 - Emergency Order - seven days
 - Extended Order up to one year – Advanced notice of hearing required



NRS 3.2201 Jurisdiction over certain orders for protection from a child; sealing of records.

1. The district court has exclusive jurisdiction to accept an application for, to consider an application for, and to issue or deny the issuance of any of the following orders when the adverse party against whom the order is sought is a child who is under 18 years of age:

- (a) A temporary or extended order for protection against domestic violence pursuant to NRS 33.017 to 33.100, inclusive.
- (b) A temporary or extended order for protection against harassment in the workplace pursuant to NRS 33.200 to 33.360, inclusive.
- (c) An emergency or extended order for protection against high-risk behavior pursuant to NRS 33.500 to 33.670, inclusive.
- (d) A temporary or extended order for protection against sexual assault pursuant to NRS 200.378.
- (e) A temporary or extended order for protection against stalking, aggravated stalking or harassment pursuant to NRS 200.591.

2. If the district court issues an order listed in subsection 1, the order must be served upon:

- (a) The child who is the adverse party; and
- (b) The parent or guardian of the child.

3. The juvenile court has exclusive jurisdiction over any action in which it is alleged that a child who is the adverse party in an order listed in subsection 1 has committed a delinquent act by violating a condition set forth in the order.

4. If the district court issues an order listed in subsection 1 and the adverse party reaches the age of 18 years while the order is still in effect, the order remains effective against the adverse party until the order expires or is dissolved by the district court.

5. The district court shall automatically seal all records related to the application for, consideration of and issuance of an order listed in subsection 1 as provided in NRS 62H.140 upon the dissolution or expiration of the order or when the adverse party reaches the age of 18 years, whichever is earlier, unless, at such a time, the order is still in effect, in which case the records must be automatically sealed by the district court upon the expiration or dissolution of the order.

6. A district court may appoint a master to conduct the proceedings described in this section.

7. An admission, representation or statement made during a proceeding described in this section is not admissible in any criminal proceeding.

8. As used in this section, “criminal proceeding” means:

- (a) A trial or hearing before a court in a prosecution of a person charged with violating a criminal law of this State; or
- (b) A delinquency proceeding which is conducted pursuant to title 5 of NRS.



Additional Types of Protection Orders Adverse Party is a Minor

- Protection Order Against Harassment in the Workplace
 - TPO – 15 days
 - Notice provisions and exceptions
 - EPO up to one year with notice and a hearing
- Protection Order Against Sexual Assault or Harassment or Stalking
 - Sexual Assault TPO
 - 30 days without notice
 - EPO up to three years with notice and a hearing
 - Harassment & Stalking TPO
 - 45 days without notice
 - EPO up to two years with notice and a hearing



Where Do the Forms Come From?

- The Nevada Supreme Court created a committee to develop Statewide forms
- They are available online at:
https://nvcourts.gov/AOC/Programs_and_Services/Protection_Orders/Overview/
- Forms are also available on www.washeocourts.com



What Do I Need to Start a TPO Case?

- TPO Application Forms and Packets
 - All necessary documents to apply for a TPO have been compiled into forms and packets. Each packet includes visual, step-by-step instructions.
 - Forms and packets may be obtained:
 - by downloading them at www.washoecourts.com
 - at the Courthouse at 1 South Sierra Street, 3rd Floor
 - at the Courthouse at 75 Court Street, Room 101



Where Can I Start A Protection Order Case?

1 South Sierra Street

Protection Order Help Center: Room 308

Resource Center: 3rd Floor Lobby



75 Court Street

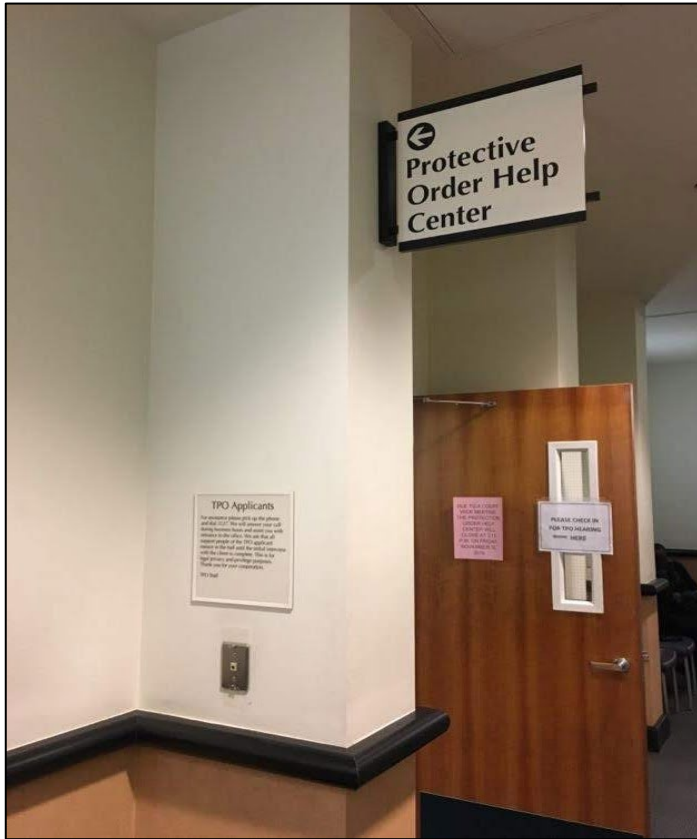
Law Library: Room 101



Protection Order Help Center

1 South Sierra Street Courthouse

Monday - Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. 775-328-3127



- Assists applicants with filing temporary protection applications
- Provides a safe place for applicants to fill out their application
- Provides a safe place for applicants to wait for any hearings
- Telephonic access to interpreters



Resource Center

1 S. Sierra Street – Third Floor

Monday – Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
775-325-6731

- Located at the front counter in the lobby
- Provides applicants with temporary protection order applications and assists with e-filing
- Provides packets and forms for family law cases
- Provides information on court procedures
- Telephonic access to interpreters



75 Court Street Courthouse Law Library

Monday & Thursday 8-5, Tuesday & Wednesday 10-7, Friday 8-12, 775-328-3250



- Assist applicants with filing temporary protection applications electronically
- Provides packets and forms for family law cases
- Provides information on court procedures
- Offers resources for legal research
- Hosts the Lawyer in the Library Program
- Provides computer terminals for work and internet access
- Copy machines are available



www.washoecourts.com

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Second Judicial District Court website. At the top left is the court's logo, which includes the Great Seal of the State of Nevada. The text next to the logo reads "Second Judicial District Court, State of Nevada, Washoe County". To the right of the logo is a blue banner with a green "a" icon and the text "Pay fees, fines, and copies online using a credit or debit card." Below this banner are two search boxes: "Website Search" and "Quick Case Search". A larger search box with a question mark icon and the text "Enter your search here..." is also present. Below the search boxes is a small disclaimer: "This site is protected by reCAPTCHA and the Google Privacy Policy and Terms of Service apply." The main navigation menu includes "Judges & Calendars", "Electronic Filing", "Daily Calendar", "Case Inquiry", "Departments/Programs", "Forms & Packets", and "Notices". The main content area features a blue header with the text "ONLINE HEARINGS AND PUBLIC ACCESS TO PROCEEDINGS - CLICK HERE". Below this is a red warning message: "*Be alert and protect yourself from scams!*". The warning text states: "The District Court has been made aware of recent scams in which callers impersonate Court personnel. Please be aware the District Court will not solicit payments via phone. Should you have questions about a payment that is due, please contact the District Court at 775-328-3110". Below the warning is a large blue heading: "Second Judicial District Court - Welcome!". Underneath the heading are four blue buttons: "Jury Service (Opens New Window)", "Quick Links (Opens Below)", "Top Requests (Opens Below)", and "Other Resources (Opens Below)". At the bottom of the main content area is the text "Court News and Updates".



Forms and Packets

The screenshot shows the website for the Second Judicial District Court, State of Nevada, Washoe County. The header includes the court's name and logo, a payment button for fees, fines, and copies, and search bars for website and quick case searches. A navigation menu lists various services, with 'Forms & Packets' highlighted. The main content area is titled 'Available Online Forms and Packets' and includes a welcome message, a mandatory electronic filing notice, and sections for instructional videos and family-related forms.

Second Judicial District Court
State of Nevada
Washoe County

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Website Search Quick Case Search

Enter your search here...

Judges & Calendars Electronic Filing Daily Calendar Case Inquiry Departments/Programs **Forms & Packets** Notices

Available Online Forms and Packets

Welcome to the Forms and Packets section of the Website. The items below were created and have been approved for use in the Second Judicial District Court. For other forms, please visit the [Legal Forms](#) section of the Law Library page

*Electronic filing is mandatory for all cases. **Administrative Order 2018-12.***

- [Click Here for Electronic Filing Information and to create a new account.](#)

Instructional Videos

- [How to Attach an Exhibit \(External link to YouTube\)](#)
- [How to Electronically File via Eflex \(External link to YouTube\)](#)
- [How to File Miscellaneous Documents \(External link to YouTube\)](#)

Family Related Forms

- [List of packets and forms - Rev. September 2023](#)
- [Sample Custody Schedules](#)



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- ▢ All Other Family Related Packets
- ▢ Adult Guardianships
- ▢ Conversions
- ▢ Defaults
- ▢ Divorces, Annulments, Legal Separations
- ▢ Ex Parte Motions
- ▢ Minor Guardianships
- ▢ Miscellaneous Forms
- ▢ Motions
- ▢ Name Changes
- ▢ Objection to Masters Recommendation
- ▢ Release of Blocked Trusts
- ▢ Answers and Responses
- ▢ Stipulations
- ▢ Custody and or Visitation
- ▢ Termination of Parental Rights
- ▢ Temporary Protection Orders
 - ▢ F-13 Temporary Protection Order Motion
 - ▢ F-14 Temporary Protection Order (Without Minor Children)
 - ▢ F-15 Temporary Protection Order (With Minor Children)
 - ▢ Forms
- ▢ Protection Orders Against a Person Under the Age of 18
 - ▢ F-16 Temporary Protection Order Against Domestic Violence
 - ▢ F-17 Temporary Protection Order Against Domestic Violence (with minor child(ren))
 - ▢ F-18 Protection Order Against Sexual Assault or Harassment or Stalking
 - ▢ F-20 High Risk Protection Order
 - ▢ Protection Order Against Harassment in the Workplace

General Jurisdiction Related Forms

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- ▢ Foreclosure Mediation
- ▢ General Forms Information
 - ▢ **Probate Forms and Packets**
- ▢ Judgments for Money
- ▢ High Risk Protection Orders
 - ▢ Application For And Declaration In Support of High-Risk Protection Order
 - ▢ Motion To Modify or Dissolve or Extend or Enforce Protection Order
 - ▢ Notice of Hearing
 - ▢ Notice of Surrender of Firearms
 - ▢ Notice of Transmittal
 - ▢ Opposition to Application for High Risk Protection Order
 - ▢ Response to Application for High Risk Protection Order
- ▢ Law Enforcement Application

line - Click here to get help +



When Will I Know If My Application Was Approved?

- Business unit dedicated to processing TPO applications:
 - Judicial Administrative Oversight
 - 1 Court Master
 - 2 Court Clerks
 - 3 Deputy Clerks
- The Court Master reviews applications throughout the day
Decision within 1 business day
- Staff will contact the applicant once an order is issued
- Staff will forward any granted orders to the WCSO for service



What If I Need A TPO After Business Hours?

- Current Process
 - Adverse party arrested for domestic battery and is presently in custody
 - Adverse party will be served in jail
- Hours of Service
 - Saturday, Sunday and Holidays
 - 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.
 - Monday – Friday
 - 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
 - Answerwest answers initial calls and refers to SJDC employee



What If I Want to Extend My TPO?

- If an extended protection order was requested in the application, an extension hearing will be scheduled 30-45 days after TPO is issued
- Hearings are scheduled sooner if parties share custody of children
- Protection order can be extended for up to two years
- If a 45-day TPO was requested, applicant needs to file an ex parte motion to extend the protection order.



Expanding Access to the Court Using Electronic Filing

- Ability to apply for a TPO from anywhere in the community
 - Training is available for domestic violence advocates and other community agencies to electronically initiate a TPO case
- Remote availability of the process may prevent an applicant from having to come to the Court to submit a TPO application
- Guided TPO application available on eFlex
- To learn how you can participate contact Celina Galindo



Important Contacts

- Protection Order Help Center - 775-328-3127
- Resource Center - 775-325-6731
- Law Library - 775-328-3250
- Emily Reed, Assistant Court Administrator - 775-325-6625
- Barbara Keyl, Litigant Services Manager - 775-325-6741





Questions

