MAINE JUDICIAL BRANCH

PROTECTION FROM ABUSE AND PROTECTION FROM HARASSMENT
FILING CODES AND LEAD DOCUMENTS

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This form is a brief overview of the filing codes and lead documents that must be selected to properly start or eFile into a protection from abuse or protection from harassment case in eFileMaine.

PLEASE NOTE: Documents marked below as "**REQUIRED**" must be submitted. Filings that do not include all requirements will be rejected pursuant to M.R. Civ. P. 5(f) and M.R.E.C.S. 35(D).

1. **PROTECTION FROM ABUSE – CASE INITIATION**
   a. Case Information:
      Case category – Family
      Case type – Protection from Abuse

   b. Filings/Lead Documents:
      i. **Complaint (PA-001)** – **REQUIRED**
      [Filing Document – Complaint – Filed]

      PLEASE NOTE: The following documents must be completed and uploaded as separate attachments to the Complaint as the lead document:
      1. Certificate for Electronic Filing of Complaint or Motion to Extend (PA-027) – **REQUIRED**
      2. Protection Order Service Information (PA-005) – **REQUIRED**

      ii. **Affidavit of Confidential Address (PA-015) (if applicable)**
      [Other Filing – Affidavit for Confidential Address – Filed]

2. **PROTECTION FROM HARASSMENT – CASE INITIATION**
   a. Case Information:
      Case category – Civil
      Case type – Protection from Harassment

   b. Filings/Lead Documents:
      i. **Complaint (PA-006)** – **REQUIRED**
      [Filing Document – Complaint – Filed]

      PLEASE NOTE: The following documents must be completed and uploaded as separate attachments to the Complaint as the lead document:
      1. Certificate for Electronic Filing of Complaint or Motion to Extend (PA-027) – **REQUIRED**
      2. Protection Order Service Information (PA-005) – **REQUIRED**

      ii. **Affidavit of Confidential Address (PA-015) (if applicable)**
      [Other Filing – Affidavit for Confidential Address – Filed]

3. DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO DISSOLVE/MODIFY/AMEND TEMPORARY PROTECTION ORDER

a. Filings/Lead Documents:

i. Motion to Dissolve/Modify/Amend (PA-010) – REQUIRED
[Motion – Def Motion Dissolve/Mod/Amend Temp Order – Filed]

ii. Affidavit of Confidential Address (PA-015) (if applicable)
[Other Filing – Affidavit for Confidential Address – Filed]

4. PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO DISMISS COMPLAINT

a. Filings/Lead Documents:

i. Motion to Dismiss Complaint (PA-012) – REQUIRED
[Motion – Motion to Dismiss – Filed]

5. PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO EXTEND PROTECTION ORDER – POST-JUDGMENT FILING

a. Filings/Lead Documents:

i. Plaintiff's Motion to Extend Order for Protection (PA-013) – **REQUIRED**
[Filing Document – Motion Extend Prot Order w/Modif– Filed]
[Filing Document – Motion Extend Prot Order w/o Modif – Filed]

PLEASE NOTE: The following documents must be completed and uploaded as separate attachments to the Complaint as the lead document:

1. Certificate for Electronic Filing of Complaint or Motion to Extend (PA-027) – **REQUIRED**
2. Protection Order Service Information (PA-005) – **REQUIRED**

ii. Affidavit of Confidential Address (PA-015) (if applicable)
[Other Filing – Affidavit for Confidential Address – Filed]

6. MOTION TO MODIFY FINAL PROTECTION ORDER – POST-JUDGMENT FILING

a. Filings/Lead Documents:

i. Motion to Modify Final Protection Order (PA-022) – REQUIRED
[Filing Document – Motion to Modify/Amend – Filed (no fee)]
[Filing Document – Motion to Modify/Amend – Filed - $80.00]

PLEASE NOTE: The following document must be completed and uploaded as a separate attachment to the motion as the lead document:

1. Protection Order Service Information (PA-005) – **REQUIRED**

ii. Affidavit of Confidential Address (PA-015) (if applicable)
[Other Filing – Affidavit for Confidential Address – Filed]

7. PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO EXTINGUISH FINAL PROTECTION ORDER – POST-JUDGMENT FILING

a. Filings/Lead Documents:

i. Plaintiff's Motion to Extinguish Final Protection Order (PA-039) – **REQUIRED**
[Motion – Plt Motion to Modify/Extinguish Final Order – Filed]

PLEASE NOTE: The following document must be completed and uploaded as a separate attachment to the motion as the lead document:

1. Protection Order Service Information (PA-005) – **REQUIRED**

ii. Affidavit of Confidential Address (PA-015) (if applicable)
[Other Filing – Affidavit for Confidential Address – Filed]