

## **ORC 2151.34 Juvenile Civil Protection Orders (JCPO)**

### **Important Definitions:**

**Petitioner:** A person who files a petition or on whose behalf a petition is filed.

**Respondent:** The party (under the age of 18 years old) against whom a civil complaint is brought. (<http://law.yourdictionary.com>)

### **Who Can File for JCPO?**

The person filing the petition can be an adult or another juvenile, even if filing on his/her own behalf.

### **ORC 2151.34 Offenses**

- JCPO can be requested and granted based on allegations of behavioral components of these crimes and without a delinquency finding.
  - Felonious assault (ORC 2903.11)
  - Aggravated assault (ORC 2903.12)
  - Assault (ORC 2903.13)
  - Aggravated menacing (ORC 2903.21)
  - Menacing (ORC 2903.22)
  - Menacing by stalking (ORC 2903.211)
  - Any sexually oriented offence (ORC 2950.01)
  - Aggravated trespass (ORC 2911.211)
  - Domestic violence (ORC 3113.31 (A)(1))

### **Relief Granted by JCPOs**

- Respondent shall not:
  - Harm, attempt to harm, threaten, follow, stalk, harass, force sexual relations upon, or commit sexually oriented offenses upon protected person(s)
  - Enter residence, school, business or place of employment or other specific locations
  - Remove, damage, hide or dispose of property or pets

- Not initiate or have contact with protected person(s)
  - Not cause or encourage any other person to do any act prohibited by JCPO
  - Possess, use, carry, or obtain any deadly weapon
- Respondent shall:
- Stay away from protected person(s)
  - Be electronically monitored

### **JCPO Forms**

- Available at the Clerk's Office, 9300 Quincy Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup>. Floor
- Available through The Supreme Court of Ohio  
[http://www.sconet.state.oh.us/JCS/domesticViolence/protection\\_forms/juvenileForms/default.asp](http://www.sconet.state.oh.us/JCS/domesticViolence/protection_forms/juvenileForms/default.asp)

### **Fees and Costs**

- No cost or fee will be charged in connection with filing, issuance, registration, or service of a JCPO or for obtaining a certified copy of a JCPO.

### **Jurisdiction**

- Juvenile Division of the Court of Common Pleas in the county the person to be protected by the protection order resides.

### **Victim Advocate**

- If you need assistance, please contact Jerry Franciscus at (216) 443-7395

**Teen Dating Issues:** Contact, Megan Gergan at Domestic Violence & Child Advocacy Center at (216) 229-2420, Ext. 256.

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