

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, 2nd. Floor
- Available through The Supreme Court of Ohio
<https://www.supremecourt.ohio.gov/courts/services-to-courts/children-families/dom-rel-juvenile-forms/>

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.

(Bench Guide for Ohio Courts, Domestic Violence & Child Advocacy Center, Legal Aid Society of Cleveland in collaboration with Bellefaire JCB and Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court, page 1).