

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
IN AND FOR \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY, FLORIDA

\_\_\_\_\_,  
Petitioner,

Case No.:  
Division:

and

\_\_\_\_\_,  
Respondent.

**FINAL INJUNCTION FOR PROTECTION AGAINST  
EXPLOITATION OF A VULNERABLE ADULT**

\_\_\_\_\_ has filed a Petition for Injunction for Protection Against Exploitation of a Vulnerable Adult under section 825.1035, Florida Statutes, seeking an injunction to protect \_\_\_\_\_ who has been identified as a "Vulnerable Adult." References to "Vulnerable Adult" are to \_\_\_\_\_. If the Petition was filed by the Vulnerable Adult, then references to "the Petitioner" are also to the Vulnerable Adult. If the Petition was filed by someone other than the Vulnerable Adult, as permitted under the statute, then references to "the Petitioner" are to the person who signed and filed the Petition seeking an injunction to protect the Vulnerable Adult.

The Petition and other papers filed in this Court have been reviewed. Under the laws of Florida, the Court has jurisdiction over the Vulnerable Adult, the Petitioner, the subject matter, and has jurisdiction over the Respondent upon service of the temporary injunction or Order Setting Hearing On Petition For Injunction For Protection Against Exploitation Of A Vulnerable Adult Without Issuance Of An Interim Temporary Injunction.

**It is intended that this protection order meet the requirements of 18 U.S.C. Section 2265 and therefore intended that it be accorded full faith and credit by the court of another state or Indian tribe and enforced as if it were the order of the enforcing state or of the Indian tribe.**

**SECTION I. HEARING**

This cause came before the Court for a hearing to determine whether an Injunction for Protection Against Exploitation of a Vulnerable Adult in this case should be:

\_\_\_\_\_ issued \_\_\_\_\_ modified \_\_\_\_\_ extended.

The hearing was attended by:

\_\_\_\_\_ Petitioner  
\_\_\_\_\_ Petitioner's Counsel  
\_\_\_\_\_ Respondent  
\_\_\_\_\_ Respondent's Counsel  
\_\_\_\_\_ Vulnerable Adult (if not the Petitioner)

## SECTION II. FINDINGS

On \_\_\_\_\_ {date}, a notice of this hearing was served on Respondent together with a copy of Petitioner's petition to this Court and the temporary injunction, if issued. If any assets or lines of credit are ordered to be frozen, the depository or financial institution was served with a notice of hearing and with the temporary injunction, if issued, as provided in section, 655.0201, Florida Statutes, on \_\_\_\_\_ {dates}. If Petitioner is not the Vulnerable Adult, a notice of this hearing was served on the Vulnerable Adult together with a copy of Petitioner's petition to this Court and the temporary injunction, if issued, on \_\_\_\_\_ {date}.

Service was within the time required by Florida law, and Respondent was afforded an opportunity to be heard. The court had jurisdiction over the parties and subject matter under state law and that reasonable notice and opportunity to be heard were given to the person against whom the order was sought, in a manner that was sufficient to protect that person's right to due process.

After hearing the testimony of each party present and of any witnesses, or upon consent of Respondent, the Court finds, based on the specific facts of this case:

- a. The Vulnerable Adult is the victim of exploitation or that the Vulnerable Adult is in imminent danger of becoming a victim of exploitation.
- b. There is a likelihood of irreparable harm and nonavailability of an adequate remedy at law.
- c. The threatened injury to the Vulnerable Adult outweighs possible harm to the Respondent.
- d. Where the injunction freezes assets of the Respondent, the court finds probable cause that exploitation has occurred, the freeze only affects the proceeds of such exploitation, and there is a substantial likelihood that such assets will be ordered to be returned to the Vulnerable Adult.
- e. The relief provides for the Vulnerable Adult's physical or financial safety.

## SECTION III. INJUNCTION AND TERMS

**This injunction is effective until modified or dissolved. The injunction is valid and enforceable in all counties of this state. Law enforcement officers may use their arrest powers under section 901.15(6), Florida Statutes, to enforce the terms of the injunction. Any violation of this injunction, whether or not at the invitation of Petitioner, the Vulnerable Adult, or anyone else, may subject Respondent to civil or indirect criminal contempt proceedings, including the imposition of a fine or imprisonment, and may also result in an award of economic damages and attorney's fees and courts costs as provided by section 825.0135, Florida Statutes. Furthermore:**

**(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), a person who willfully violates an injunction for protection against the exploitation of a vulnerable adult commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in sections 775.082 or 775.083, Florida Statutes. A person may violate such injunction by:**

**1. Refusing to vacate the dwelling shared with the Vulnerable Adult if ordered to do so by the injunction;**

2. Going to or being within 500 feet of the Vulnerable Adult's residence if ordered to stay away;
3. Exploiting or unduly influencing the Vulnerable Adult;
4. Committing any other violation of the injunction through an intentional unlawful threat, word, or act to do violence to the Vulnerable Adult;
5. Telephoning, contacting, or otherwise communicating with the Vulnerable Adult directly or indirectly, unless the injunction specifically allows indirect contact through a third party;
6. Knowingly and intentionally coming within 100 feet of the Vulnerable Adult's motor vehicle, regardless of whether that vehicle is occupied if ordered to stay away; or
7. Defacing or destroying the Vulnerable Adult's personal property.

(b) A person who has two or more prior convictions for violation of an injunction or foreign protection order against the same victim, and who subsequently commits a violation of any injunction or foreign protection order against the same victim, commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in sections 775.082, 775.083, or 775.084, Florida Statutes. The term "conviction" means a determination of guilt which is the result of a plea or a trial, regardless of whether adjudication is withheld or a plea of nolo contendere is entered.

**ORDERED and ADJUDGED:** This is an Injunction for Protection Against Exploitation of a Vulnerable Adult. The person identified as a Vulnerable Adult is \_\_\_\_\_, and references to the Vulnerable Adult are to \_\_\_\_\_.

1. **Exploitation Prohibited.** Respondent shall not commit, or cause any other person to commit, any acts of exploitation, as defined in section 825.103(1), Florida Statutes, of the Vulnerable Adult. Respondent shall not commit any other violation of the injunction through an intentional unlawful threat, word or act against the Vulnerable Adult.
2. **Provisions concerning the home.** (Initial the following paragraphs if they apply)

\_\_\_\_\_ **Possession of the Home.** The Vulnerable Adult and NOT the Respondent shall have temporary possession of the home or other dwelling ("home") located at: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Transfer of Possession of the Home.** A law enforcement officer with jurisdiction over the home shall place the Vulnerable Adult in possession of the home, accompanying the Vulnerable Adult to the home for that purpose, if requested.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Personal Items.** Respondent, **in the presence of a law enforcement officer**, may return to the home at a time arranged with the law enforcement department with jurisdiction over the home, for the purpose of obtaining his or her clothing and items of personal health and hygiene and tools of the trade. A law enforcement officer with jurisdiction over the home from which these items are to be retrieved shall accompany Respondent to the home and stand by to ensure that he/she vacates the home with only his/her personal clothing, toiletries, tools of the trade, and any items listed in the following paragraph. The law enforcement agency shall not be responsible for storing or transporting any property. **IF TEMPORARY POSSESSION OF THE HOME IS AWARDED TO THE VULNERABLE ADULT AND NOT TO THE RESPONDENT, AND THE RESPONDENT GOES TO THE HOME WITHOUT A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, IT IS A VIOLATION OF THIS INJUNCTION.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Damage or removal:** Respondent shall not damage or remove any furnishings or fixtures from the parties' former shared premises.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Other tangible personal property:**

---

---

---

3. **Other provisions concerning contact.** (Initial the following paragraphs if they apply)

\_\_\_\_\_ Unless otherwise provided, Respondent shall have no contact with the Vulnerable Adult. Respondent shall not directly or indirectly contact the Vulnerable Adult in person, by mail, e-mail, fax, telephone, through another person, or in any other manner. Further, Respondent shall not contact or have any third-party contact with anyone connected with the Vulnerable Adult's employment or school to inquire about the Vulnerable Adult or to send any messages to the Vulnerable Adult. Unless otherwise provided, Respondent shall not go to, in, or within 500 feet of the home of the Vulnerable Adult, the current or any subsequent place of employment of the Vulnerable Adult or the following other places (if requested in the Petition) where the Vulnerable Adult goes often:

---

---

\_\_\_\_\_ Respondent may not knowingly come within 100 feet of the Vulnerable Adult's automobile at any time whether or not it is occupied.

4. **Provisions concerning assets.** (Initial the following paragraphs if they apply)



5. **Mailing Address or Designated E-Mail Address(es).** Respondent shall notify the Clerk of the Court of any change in either his or her mailing address, or designated e-mail address(es), within 10 days of the change. All further papers (excluding the final injunction, if entered without Respondent being present at the hearing, and pleadings requiring personal service) shall be served either by mail to Respondent's last known mailing address or by e-mail to Respondent's designated e-mail address(es). Service shall be complete upon mailing or e-mailing.
  
6. **Additional order(s) necessary to protect the Vulnerable Adult from Exploitation:**

---

---

**SECTION IV. DIRECTIONS TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER IN ENFORCING THIS INJUNCTION**

*{Unless ordered otherwise by the judge, all provisions in this injunction are considered mandatory provisions and should be interpreted as part of this injunction.}*

1. The County Sheriff, or any other authorized law enforcement officer, is ordered to serve this injunction upon Respondent as soon as possible after its issuance. Except where the Vulnerable Adult is the Petitioner, the County Sheriff, or any other authorized law enforcement officer, is ordered to serve this injunction upon the Vulnerable Adult as soon as possible after its issuance. If any assets are frozen under section 4 of this injunction, the County Sheriff, or any other authorized law enforcement officer, is ordered to serve this injunction upon the financial institution(s) where assets subject to dissipation are held or where a credit line may be exploited as soon as possible after its issuance.
  
2. **This injunction is valid in all counties of the State of Florida.** Violation of this injunction should be reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency. Law enforcement officers of the jurisdiction in which a violation of this injunction occurs shall enforce the provisions of this injunction and are authorized to arrest without warrant pursuant to section 901.15, Florida Statutes, for any violation of its provisions which constitutes a criminal act under Florida Statutes.
  
3. THIS INJUNCTION IS ENFORCEABLE IN ALL COUNTIES OF FLORIDA AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS MAY EFFECT ARRESTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 901.15(6), FLORIDA STATUTES. The arresting agent shall notify the State Attorney's Office immediately after arrest.
  
4. **Reporting alleged violations.**
  - (1) In the event of a violation of an amended injunction for protection against exploitation of a Vulnerable Adult when the person who violated such amended injunction has not been arrested, the Petitioner may contact the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the county in

which the violation is alleged to have occurred and complete an affidavit in support of the violation.

(2) The affidavit shall be filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court. If the affidavit alleges that a crime has been committed, the Clerk of the Circuit Court or the office assisting the Petitioner shall also forward a copy of the affidavit to the appropriate law enforcement agency for investigation. Within 20 days after receipt of the affidavit, the local law enforcement agency shall complete its investigation and forward the affidavit and a report containing the agency's findings to the State Attorney. The State Attorney shall determine within 30 business days whether its office will proceed to file criminal charges, prepare a motion for an order to show cause as to why the Respondent should not be held in criminal contempt, prepare both as alternative findings, or file notice that the case remains under investigation or is pending subject to another action.

(3) If, based on its familiarity with the case, the court has knowledge that the Vulnerable Adult is in immediate danger if the court fails to act before the decision of the State Attorney to prosecute, it should immediately issue an order of appointment of the State Attorney to file a motion for an order to show cause as to why the Respondent should not be held in contempt. If the court does not issue an order of appointment of the State Attorney, it shall immediately notify the State Attorney that the court is proceeding to enforce the violation through a ruling of criminal contempt.

DONE AND ORDERED in \_\_\_\_\_ {county}, Florida on \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
CIRCUIT JUDGE

COPIES TO:

Sheriff of \_\_\_\_\_ County

Petitioner: (or his or her attorney)

\_\_\_\_\_ by U.S. Mail

\_\_\_\_\_ by hand-delivery in open court

\_\_\_\_\_ by e-mail to designated e-mail address(es)

Vulnerable Adult (if other than Petitioner):

\_\_\_\_\_ by U.S. Mail

\_\_\_\_\_ by hand delivery in open court

\_\_\_\_\_ by e-mail to designated e-mail address(es)

Respondent:

\_\_\_\_\_ forwarded to the Sheriff for service

\_\_\_\_\_ State's Attorney's Office  
\_\_\_\_\_ other: \_\_\_\_\_

I CERTIFY the foregoing is a true copy of the original **Final Injunction for Protection Against Exploitation of a Vulnerable Adult** as it appears on file in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of \_\_\_\_\_ County, Florida, and that I have furnished copies of this order as indicated above.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

(SEAL)

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
*{Deputy Clerk or Judicial Assistant}*