

# Georgia's

## Protective Order Registry

### **O.C.G.A. 19-13-50 “Family Violence and Stalking Protective Order Registry Act”**

- The GA Commission on Family Violence was a central partner in the development of this legislation
- Signed by former Governor Roy Barnes on March 30, 2001
- Law became effective on July 1, 2001
- Implemented a centralized database for Georgia Protective Orders on July 1, 2002

### **Goal of the Georgia Protective Order Registry**

- To enhance the safety of the victim by providing law enforcement officers, prosecuting attorneys and the courts access to protective orders issued by the courts of this state and foreign courts 24 hours of the day, 7 days of the week.

### **Georgia Protective Order Registry Flow Process**

- Victim Files Protective Order
- Judge Issues Order
- Order Given to Court Clerk
- Court Clerk indexes required data and electronically scans a copy of the order
- Court Clerk sends a hard copy of the order to the Sheriff's Office
- Protective Order is transmitted to the Georgia Superior Court Clerks Cooperative Authority (GSCCCA) Server
- GSCCCA transmits orders nightly to the Georgia Protective Order Registry
- Georgia Protective Order Registry processes the orders
- Information is available via the Georgia Protective Order Registry Website
- Georgia Protective Order Registry transmits orders to the National Crime Information Center (NCIC)

**File Retention** – Inactive records will remain on NCIC for the remainder of the year in which the record was cleared or expired, plus 5 years.

### **Standardized Forms Currently Accepted in the Registry**

- Family Violence Ex parte
- Family Violence Six Month
- Family Violence Twelve Month
- Stalking Three Year/Permanent
- Stalking Permanent Pursuant to Criminal Conviction
- Continuance
- Modification
- Dismissal

Standardized forms can be downloaded from the Georgia Superior Court Clerks Cooperative Authority website at <https://www.gsccca.org/file/family-violence-forms> .

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### **Georgia Registry Features**

- Search for orders by Civil Action File Number, County, or Respondent Name
- View Order Information
  - ✓ Civil Action File Number
  - ✓ Clerk's and Sheriff's Originating Identification Number
  - ✓ County Order Was Issued
  - ✓ Protective Order Conditions
  - ✓ Effective, Expiration and Service Dates
  - ✓ Respondent and Petitioner Information
- View or Print an Image of the Order
- Run Reports by Expiration Date of Order, Order Type, Order Status, County

### **Agencies Allowed to Access the Registry include:**

- All Classes of Courts
- Sheriff's Offices
- Police Departments
- 911 Offices
- Probation Offices
- District Attorney's
- Solicitor's Offices'
- Department of Corrections
- Department of Pardons and Parole

### **Steps to gain access to the Georgia Protective Order website**

- Obtain a User ID/Password form from GCIC or by accessing the GCIC website at <http://gcicweb/gcicweb.htm> under 'Other Links'
- Fill out form and return to GCIC
- GCIC will assign a User ID/Password
- Confirmation Form will be faxed/emailed back to the user

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