INSTRUCTIONS FOR FLORIDA SUPREME COURT APPROVED FAMILY LAW FORM 12.980(i)
MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF INJUNCTION FOR PROTECTION AGAINST DOMESTIC, REPEAT, DATING, OR SEXUAL VIOLENCE, OR STALKING (06/24)

Where can I look for more information?

Before proceeding, you should read General Information for Self-Represented Litigants found at the beginning of these forms. The words that are in **bold underline** are defined in that section. The clerk of the circuit court or family law intake staff can help you complete any necessary domestic violence forms and can give you information about local domestic violence victim assistance programs, shelters, and other related services. You may also call the Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-500-1119. For further information, see Chapter 741, Florida Statutes, and Rule 12.610, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure.

When should this form be used?

If you are the **petitioner** on a previously entered injunction for protection against domestic violence, repeat violence, dating violence, sexual violence, or stalking, and that injunction will soon expire, you may use this form to request that the court **extend the injunction. You must file a motion for extension BEFORE the previously entered order expires.**

This form should be typed or printed in black ink. After completing this form, you should sign it. You must file this form electronically pursuant to Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.525 OR bring the form to a clerk in the county where you live. You should keep a copy for your records. If you have any questions or need assistance completing this form, a court clerk or family law intake staff can help you.

What should I do next?

For your case to proceed, you will need to set a **hearing** on your motion. You must properly notify the other party of the motion and hearing. You should check with the clerk of court for information on the local procedure for scheduling a hearing. When you know the date and time of your hearing, you should file **Notice of Hearing (General)**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.923, or other appropriate notice of hearing form. You will need to serve a copy of your motion and Notice of Hearing on the other party by U.S. mail, e-mail, or hand delivery. Service of your motion must be in a manner that is reasonably calculated to apprise the other party of your motion and the hearing. Please note that if notice is mailed or e-mailed, the court in certain circumstances may not consider mailing or e-mailing to be adequate notice. If you want to be sure, you should consider using certified mail, return receipt requested, or having the motion personally served. This is a technical area of the law; if you have any questions about it, you should consult a lawyer. For more information on personal service, see the instructions for **Summons: Personal Service on an Individual,** Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.910(a).

You will need to appear at the hearing on your motion. After the hearing, if the judge grants your motion, he or she will prepare an **Order Extending Injunction for Protection Against Domestic Violence, Repeat Violence, Dating Violence, or Sexual Violence**, **or Stalking,** Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.980(m). After the judge signs the order, the clerk will provide you with the necessary copies. **Make sure that you keep a certified copy of the previously entered injunction AND a certified copy of the order extending that injunction with you at all times.**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING E-FILING

The Florida Rules of General Practice and Judicial Administration now require that all petitions, pleadings, and documents be filed electronically except in certain circumstances. **Self-represented litigants may file petitions or other pleadings or documents electronically; however, they are not required to do so.** If you choose to file your pleadings or other documents electronically, you must do so in accordance with Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.525, and you must follow the procedures of the judicial circuit in which you file. **The rules and procedures should be carefully read and followed.**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING E-SERVICE

After the initial service of process of the petition or supplemental petition by the Sheriff or certified process server, the Florida Rules of General Practice and Judicial Administration now require that all documents required or permitted to be served on the other party must be served by electronic mail (e-mail) except in certain circumstances. **You must strictly comply with the format requirements set forth in the Rules of General Practice and Judicial Administration** and you **must** review Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.516. You may find this rule at www.flcourts.org through the link to the Rules of General Practice and Judicial Administration provided under either Family Law Forms: Getting Started, or Rules of Court in the A-Z Topical Index.

SELF-REPRESENTED LITIGANTS MUST SERVE DOCUMENTS BY E-MAIL UNLESS OTHERWISE EXCUSED. If a self-represented litigant has been excused from serving documents by email and then elects to serve and receive documents by e-mail, the procedures must always be followed once that election is made.

To serve and receive documents by e-mail, you must designate your e-mail addresses by using the **Designation of Current Mailing and E-mail Address**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915, and you must provide your e-mail address on each form on which your signature appears. Please **CAREFULLY** read the rules and instructions for: **Certificate of Service (General),** Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.914; **Designation of Current Mailing and E-mail Address**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915; and Florida Rule of General Practice and Judicial Administration 2.516.

Special notes . . .

When completing this form, you should make sure that your reasons for requesting that the injunction be extended are stated clearly and that you include all relevant facts.

Disclosure from Nonlawyer, Remember, a person who is NOT an attorney is called a **nonlawyer**. If a nonlawyer helps you fill out this form, that person must give you a copy of a **Disclosure from Nonlawyer**, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure Form 12.900(a), before he or she helps you. A nonlawyer helping you fill out this form also **must** put his or her name, address, and telephone number on the bottom of the last page of every form he or she helps you complete.

If you require that your address be confidential for safety reasons, you should complete a **Request for Confidential Filing of Address**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.980(h), and file it with the clerk of the circuit. You should then write “confidential” in the space provided on the petition.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE _____ JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR _____ COUNTY, FLORIDA

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Petitioner,

Case No.: _____

Division: _____

And

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Respondent,

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF INJUNCTION FOR PROTECTION AGAINST ( ) DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ( ) REPEAT VIOLENCE ( ) DATING VIOLENCE ( ) SEXUAL VIOLENCE ( ) STALKING

I, *{full legal name}* _____, declare under penalties of perjury, that the following statements are true:

SECTION I. PETITIONER
(This section is about you. It must be completed; however, **if you fear that disclosing your address would put you in danger because you are the victim of sexual battery, aggravated child abuse, stalking, aggravated stalking, harassment, aggravated battery, or domestic violence**, you should complete and file **a Request for Confidential Filing of Address**, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.980(h), and write "confidential" in the space provided on this form for your address and telephone number.)

1. Petitioner currently lives at the following address: *{street address}* _____
   {city, state, and zip code} _____
   Telephone Number: *{area code and number}* _____

2. Petitioner's attorney's name, address and telephone number is: _____
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   (If you do not have an attorney, write "none.")

SECTION II. RESPONDENT
(This section is about the person you want to be protected from. It must be completed.)

New information about Respondent, since the current injunction was issued: (If known, write Respondent's new address, place of employment, physical description, vehicle, aliases or nicknames, or attorney's name.)

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SECTION III. CASE HISTORY AND REASON FOR SEEKING EXTENSION OF INJUNCTION

1. Describe any attempts since the date of the current injunction by either Petitioner or Respondent to get an injunction for protection in this or any other court (other than the injunction you are asking to extend in this motion).

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2. Describe any other court cases (including city, state, and case numbers, if known) since the date of the current injunction between Petitioner and Respondent, including any cases involving the parties' minor child(ren), divorce, juvenile dependency, guardianship, or other civil or criminal cases.

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3. Petitioner requests that the previously entered injunction for protection against domestic violence, repeat violence, dating violence, sexual violence, or stalking, be extended for the following **specific** reasons: *{State **in detail** why you wish the injunction to remain in effect.}*

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_____ Please indicate here if you are attaching additional pages to continue these facts.

4. Petitioner genuinely fears the continued threat of violence or stalking by Respondent.

SECTION IV. REQUESTED RELIEF

1. Petitioner understands that the Court will hold a hearing on this motion and that he or she must appear at the hearing.

2. Petitioner asks the Court to enter an order in this case that extends the previously entered injunction for a period of _____ or ☐ until modified or dissolved by the court.

I certify that a copy of this document was ☐ mailed ☐ e-mailed ☐ mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, ☐ furnished to a law enforcement officer for personal service to the person(s) listed below on *{date}* _____

Other party or his/her attorney:
Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Designated E-Mail Address(es): _____
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UNDER PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I DECLARE THAT I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING DOCUMENT AND THAT THE FACTS STATED IN IT ARE TRUE. I UNDERSTAND THAT THE STATEMENTS MADE IN THIS MOTION ARE BEING MADE UNDER PENALTIES OF PERJURY, PUNISHABLE AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 92.525, FLORIDA STATUTES.

Dated: _____ _____
Signature of Petitioner

IF A NONLAWYER HELPED YOU FILL OUT THIS FORM, HE/SHE MUST FILL IN THE BLANKS BELOW:
[fill in **all** blanks] This form was prepared for the: {choose only one} ( ) Petitioner ( ) Respondent
This form was completed with the assistance of:
{name of individual} _____,
{name of business or individual} _____,
{address} _____,
{city} _____,{state} ,_____ {telephone number} _____.
{email address} _____.