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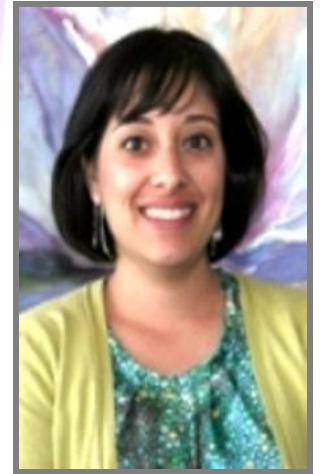
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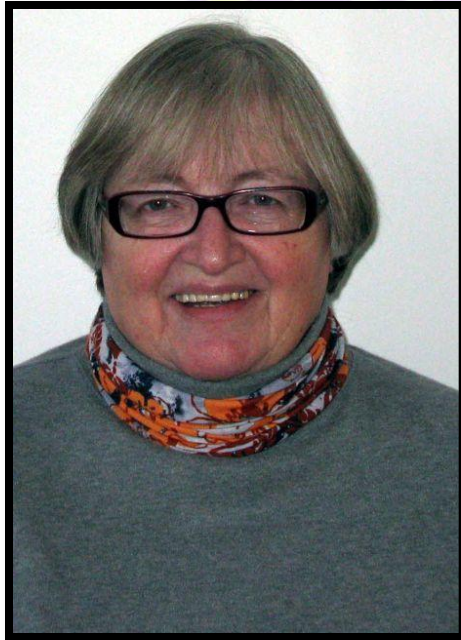
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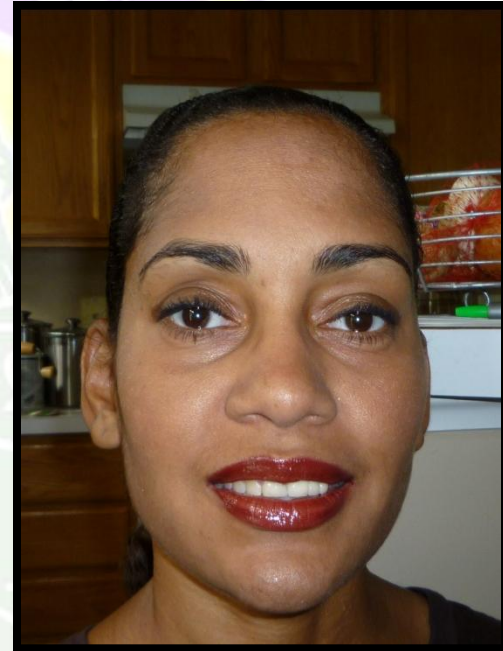
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Protection Orders and Full Faith and Credit

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What Is a Protection Order?

- Under VAWA, a “protection order” is defined as “...any injunction, restraining order, or any other order issued by a civil or criminal court for the purpose of preventing violent or threatening acts or harassment against, sexual violence, or contact or communication with or physical proximity to another person...”

- This expansive definition also includes “any support, child custody or visitation provisions, orders, remedies or relief issued as part of any protection order, restraining order or injunction.” 18 U.S.C. § 2266(5).

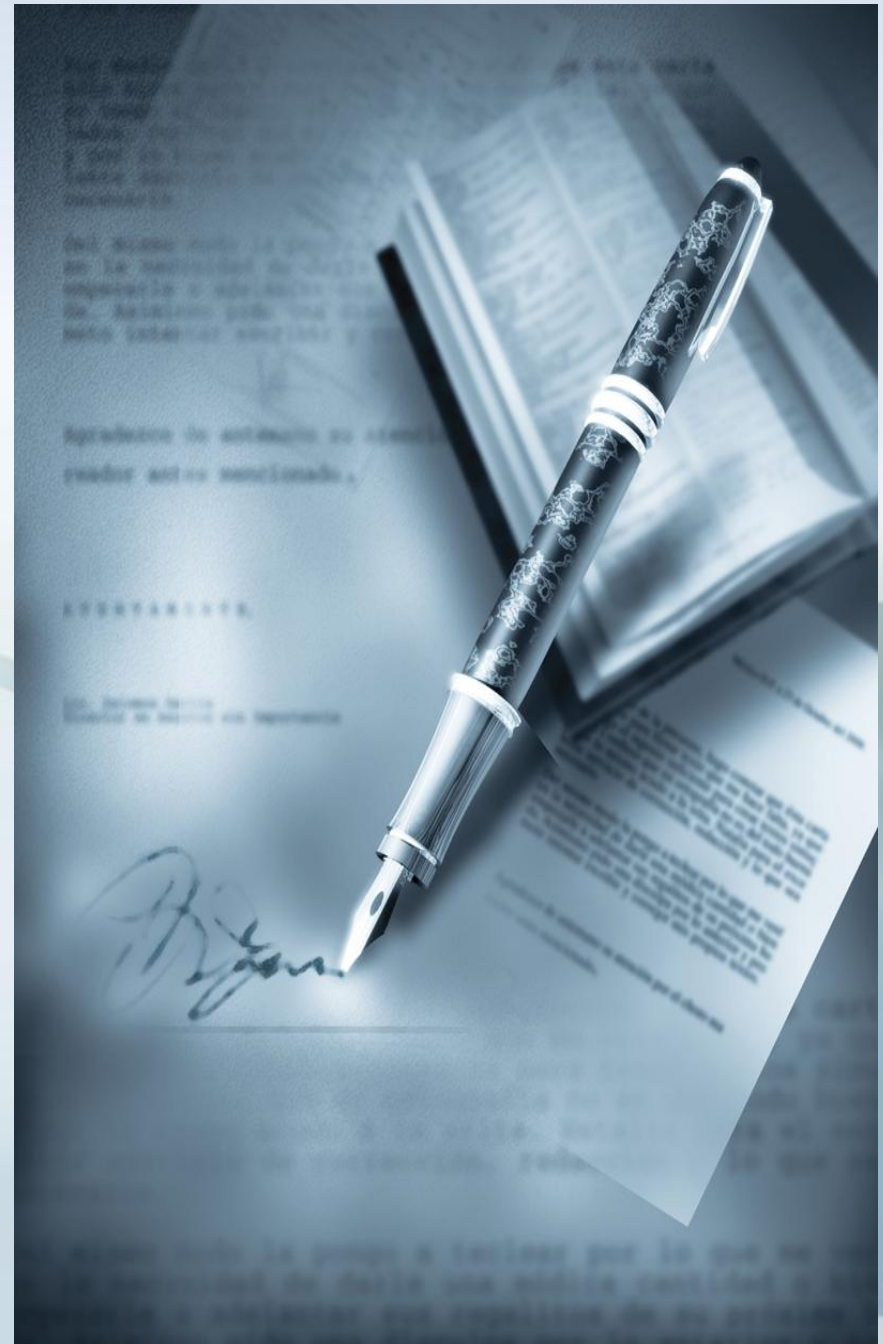
Protection Orders:

- These orders may be hand written or oral.
- They may be on a form or they may be issued orally by a judge or judicial official.
- Orders also vary in length and content.



Orders issued to prevent domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence or stalking may be called many things including:

- **Stay Away Order**
- **No Contact Order**
- **Restraining Order**
- **Injunction for Protection**
- **Harassment Order**
- **Protection from Abuse Order**
- **Stalking Protection Order**
- **Orders not to Abuse, Harass, Contact, etc. that are part of bail, probation or parole conditions**
- **Protective provisions in divorce or dissolution agreements**
- **Injunction for Protection**
- **Emergency, temporary or *ex parte* order**



Other protection orders:

- Conditions on bail or release, on probation or parole and criminal no contact orders;
- “No contact” orders in divorce decrees;
- Directives in “parenting time” orders that prohibit contact, threatening behavior, etc.;
- Think broadly when discussing what type of legal orders a survivor already has.
- Full faith and credit will generally apply.

Purpose of protection orders:

- **To stop the respondent from further threats, physical or sexual abuse, harassment, or stalking by a person found to have inflicted violence against a family member, intimate partner, or dating partners; defined by law of the state, tribe or territory issuing the PO.**
- **Some jurisdictions allow a petitioner to obtain an order against someone who they do not have an intimate relationship with. For example, stranger stalking orders and stranger sexual assault orders.**

Things Advocates and Attorneys should consider:

- **Does the survivor plan on leaving your jurisdiction for work, travel, or a permanent move?**

Questions to ask regarding travel?

- Are you moving to a different community?
- Do you work and live in different locations?
- Are you going to school out of state or off tribal land?
- Are you planning a vacation or extended travel?
- Do you shop in another state or off the military installation?
- Are you going to an event outside the community where you reside?

Things Advocates and Attorneys should consider:

- **What is the appropriate jurisdiction for a person to get a protection order?**
 - **Where abuse happened.**
 - **Where abuse started and finished (cyber)**
 - **Where DV victim needs protection – within a state, tribe, territory and jurisdiction to which victim flees (25 states)**

Survivors Can Flee and Get an Order

- **Alabama**
- **Arizona**
- **Arkansas**
- **Delaware**
- **Florida**
- **Hawaii**
- **Idaho**
- **Indiana**
- **Iowa**
- **Kentucky**
- **Massachusetts**
- **Minnesota**
- **New Hampshire**
- **New Jersey**
- **North Dakota**
- **Oklahoma**
- **Rhode Island**
- **Texas**
- **Tennessee**
- **Utah**
- **Vermont**
- **Virginia**
- **Washington**
- **West Virginia**
- **Wyoming**

You can travel with a protection order!



The Concept: Full Faith and Credit

“Full Faith and Credit shall be given in each State to the public Acts, Records, and judicial Proceedings of every other State. And the Congress may by general laws prescribe the Manner in which such Acts, Records and Proceedings shall be provided, and the Effect thereof.”

U.S. Constitution, Article IV, Section 1.

Examples of FFC

- Driver's license
- Birth certificates
- School diplomas
- Divorce decrees
- Death certificates

The Violence Against Women Act

The Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) mandates that protection orders must be given full faith and credit.

VAWA was enacted in 1994 and revised in 2000, and 2006. Significant changes have occurred to the full faith and credit provision during each revision.

Full Faith and Credit

18 U.S.C. § 2265 (a)

Full faith and credit for protection orders means that when a protection order that was issued by any State, Indian tribe, or territory is violated in any other jurisdiction, courts and law enforcement personnel must enforce it as if the order had been issued in the enforcing jurisdiction.

Jurisdiction Requirement

18 U.S.C. § 2265 (b)

A protection order issued by a State or tribal court is consistent with this subsection if --

(1) such court has jurisdiction over the ***parties and matter*** under the law of such State or Indian tribe, or territory;

AND

Due Process Requirement

18 U.S.C. § 2265 (b) continued:

(2) ***reasonable notice*** and ***opportunity to be heard*** is given to the person against whom the order is sought sufficient to protect that person's right to due process. In the case of ex parte orders, notice and opportunity to be heard must be provided within the time required by State, tribal or territorial law, and in any event within a reasonable time after the order is issued, sufficient to protect the respondent's due process rights.

Enforcement:

What happens when a protection order is violated?

Enabling Statutes

To provide clarification to the Federal law, most state legislatures have passed their own full faith and credit laws that NCPOFFC calls enabling statutes.

Every Jurisdiction is both...

ISSUING

- **issue orders in New Jersey that will be carried to other jurisdictions & require enforcement there**
- **should issue clear orders to facilitate enforcement & protect New Jersey residents when they travel to other jurisdictions**

ENFORCING

- **(law enforcement & courts) presented with orders from other jurisdictions to enforce in New Jersey**

Which Jurisdiction's Laws Apply?

The ISSUING Jurisdiction Determines:

- whom the order protects**
- the terms and conditions of the order**
(including all relief issued)
- how long the order remains in effect**
(e.g. pendency of a criminal case,
lifetime, 18 months)

Which Jurisdiction's Laws Apply?

The ENFORCING Jurisdiction Determines:

- how the order is enforced**
(e.g. whether it is contempt of court or a crime)
- the arrest authority of responding law enforcement**
- detention & notification procedures**
- penalties & sanctions for violations**

Extending Project Passport: “Getting Everybody on the Same Page”

Key Concept of “Model Template...”

RECOGNIZABILITY:

- Consistency in
FORMAT
- Info for facial
validity on ONE PAGE
- Passes “squint test”

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| And/or on behalf of minor family member(s): (list name and DOB) | | Other Protected Persons/DOB: | |
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| <input type="text"/> | | DRIVERS LICENSE # STATE EXP DATE | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Weapon Involved | | <input type="text"/> | |
| THE COURT HEREBY FINDS: | | | |
| That it has jurisdiction over the parties and subject matter, and the Respondent has been provided with reasonable notice and opportunity to be heard. | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Additional findings of this order are as set forth below. | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> That the above named Respondent be restrained from any contact with the Petitioner/Plaintiff. | | | |
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| WARNINGS TO RESPONDENT: | | | |
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| Federal law provides penalties for possessing, transporting, shipping, or receiving any firearm or ammunition (18 U.S.C. Section 922(g)(8)). | | | |
| Only the Court can change this order. | | | |
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Benefits of the Model Template

- Commonly agreed upon elements & format
- Recognized across jurisdictions
- Identifies Federal gun law prohibitions
- Enhances enforcement
- Flexible to jurisdictional and statutory requirements
- Facilitates sharing common data nationally
- Strengthens sovereignty for state and tribal jurisdictions

The Major Elements

Generic Phrases: *Modifiable Across Types*

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Relationship Respondent & Weapon Information


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The Major Elements

- ③ *Relationship Info* – *Helps determine order; provisions; Brady – Y/N?*
- ④ *Respondent Identifiers Box* – *Physical & NCIC numerical identifiers*
- ⑤ *“Weapon Involved”* **for officers; not firearms laws**

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Distinguishing Features _____

The Major Elements

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Findings: Qualifying order for FF&C – notice & opportunity to be heard

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Orders: Brady qualified? Y/N?

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8 *Warnings:* **Federal interstate DV and firearms laws; language modified on some for VAWA III judicial notification requirement**

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9 *Expiration of Order:* **For officers:**
Moved to first page – easily locatable;
still valid & enforceable?

First Page vs. Cover Page?

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10 *First page* of official order – it is not removable; order is incomplete without

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If a petitioner travels with a protection order:

Registering the Order

- **Filing or registration of a protection order is a process that allows an protection order issued in another jurisdiction to be domesticated.**
- **Easier to enforce.**

Not registering the Order

- **Still enforceable.**
- **It helps to have a paper copy of your protection order so that law enforcement has the ability to see the terms and conditions of the order.**

No Registration Requirement For Enforcement

**Federal and many state laws do not
require registration or filing as a
prerequisite for enforcement.**

18 U.S.C. §2265(d)(2)

Registration

PROS:

- The survivor is in the new state or tribe on a temporary or permanent basis (vacation, visiting family, moved here permanently).
- Provides notice to law enforcement and courts of the existence of the order and the presence of the victim in the state or tribe.
- Facilitates enforcement by law enforcement and the courts, should it be necessary.
- May stop future firearms purchases under the Brady Act.

CONS:

- Inconvenience: Difficult to access the place to register.
- Improper Disclosure to Abuser: Possibility that notice will be sent to the abuser (although contrary to 18 U.S.C. §2265(d)(1)).
- Improper Public Disclosure: Registration may make the document a searchable public record. (Although contrary to Limits on Internet Publication)

Notification

18 U.S.C. § 2265(d)(1)

A State, Indian tribe, or territory shall not notify or require notification that the protection order has been registered or filed in that enforcing State, tribal, or territorial jurisdiction unless requested to do so by the party under such order.

Domestication

Advantages

Ease of validation for legal system professionals

Local police, prosecutors and courts will readily enforce

Local order is useful for other matters

Concerns

Multiple Court appearances

Service may be difficult – if respondent is not local

Disclosure of victim location

Petitioner may not be eligible or relief available

Potential loss of stalking, federal crimes

What is the cost for obtaining a protection order?



VAWA 2000 No Fees Certification Requirement

Jurisdictions receiving STOP grants & Arrest grants
MUST certify that:

“their laws, policies, and practices do NOT require, in connection with the prosecution of any misdemeanor or felony domestic violence offense, or in connection with the filing, issuance, registration, or service of a protection order, or a petition for a protection order, to protect a victim of domestic violence, stalking, or sexual assault, that the victim bear the costs associated with the filing of criminal charges against the offender, or the costs associated with the filing, issuance, registration, or service of a warrant, protection order, petition for a protection order, or witness subpoena, whether issued inside or outside the State, tribal, or local jurisdiction.”

What Types of Orders Are Included?

- | The statute refers to orders “issued to protect a victim of domestic violence, stalking, sexual assault, or dating violence,”
- | Look to the state law definitions of “domestic violence,” “stalking,” “sexual assault,” and “dating violence.”

Victims Must NOT be Forced to Pay....

The “no fees” certification requirement includes:

- filing fees
- other fees associated with issuance
- registration fees
- service of process fees
(e.g. fees for certified copies, motions to withdraw, modify, or dismiss, appeals)
for a warrant, protection order, petition for a protection order, or witness subpoena
in both the civil and criminal law systems.

Specific Types of Protection Orders Entitled to Full Faith and Credit *

Ex Parte orders

Mutual Orders

“Criminal” Protection Orders; conditions on
release, bond, sentencing,
probation or parole

Consent or Agreed Orders

Military Orders

Custody Provisions

Tribal Orders



Ex Parte

Ex Parte Orders

Under Federal law:

18 U.S.C. § 2265(b)(2):

“In the case of ex parte orders, notice and opportunity to be heard must be provided within the time required by State or tribal law, and in any event within a reasonable time after the order is issued, sufficient to protect the respondent’s due process rights.”

This means that ex parte orders ARE entitled to full faith and credit as long as the respondent has notice of the order, even if the hearing has not yet been held but only until the date of the hearing, unless it is extended by the issuing court and then to all extension dates (requires inquiry).

Mutual Protection Orders *

“Mutual” Protection Orders

Under 18 U.S.C. § 2265(c):

Protection order provisions issued against the petitioner are ONLY entitled to full faith and credit if:

- The respondent filed a cross or counter petition AND the court made specific findings that each party was entitled to a protection order.

Criminal Protection Orders *

Criminal Protection Orders

Under 18 U.S.C. § 2266:

Under the federal law, protection orders issued by criminal courts ARE entitled to full faith and credit.

Criminal protection orders include those found in pre-trial release orders, conditional release orders, bond conditions, probation orders and parole conditions.

Consent Orders *

Consent Orders

Protection orders issued based upon consent agreements between the parties are entitled to full faith & credit, provided they satisfy the requirements of 18 U.S.C. § 2265(b).

Thus, if the court had subject matter & personal jurisdiction, & the respondent had notice & an opportunity to be heard, a consent order must be enforced as if it had been issued in the enforcing jurisdiction.

Military POs

**Are things
different if the
petitioner or
respondent
are in the
military?**



Military Protection Orders

Most military protection orders do not meet the requirements for inter-jurisdictional enforceability because they are usually issued by a commanding officer and the respondent is not accorded due process or an opportunity to be heard to rebut the allegations of abuse.

MILITARY

Civilian Orders = Enforceable

- Enforceable on military installations.
- May be a problem to obtain service.
- Problems getting a final protection order against someone who is deployed.

Military Orders = Not Enforceable off Base

- Military orders are not afforded full faith and credit.
- Military orders are only good on the military installation on which they were issued.

Enforcement of Civilian Orders on Military Installations

- Federal law allows for civil protection orders to be enforced on military installations.
- Civilian Orders of Protection: Shall have the same force and effect on military installations as they do in the issuing jurisdiction. 10 U.S.C. §1561a.
- Civilian Order of Protection is defined the same as of the definition used in 18 U.S.C. §2266(5).

**Are there
children
involved?**

**How should
decisions be
made if the
Petitioner has
children?**

**What things
should be
considered?**



PO Court can grant:

- Temporary custody of minor children
- Temporary visitation with minor children
- Support
- Enjoin the respondent from removing the children from the person having legal custody of the children

Custody

- The custody provision in the protection order may expire before the protection order does.
- It is important to review legal strategies regarding extending the temporary child custody provision in the protection order or pursuing a custody order in family or other appropriate court.
- Note, different in some states if parties are not married.
- Custody matters are very complex. The survivor may need an attorney to assist him/her in creating a custody and visitation order that protect both the abused parent and the children.

Types of Court Orders

Custody Provision in Protection Order:

- Temporary
- Primary purpose: violence prevention
- Secondary purpose: preservation of status quo or prevention of abduction
- Issued to protect the safety of the petitioner, child, and other protected parties.

Separate Custody Orders (Divorce, paternity, etc.):

- Permanent
- Primary purpose: determines custody and visitation
- Secondary purpose; safety of vulnerable parties
- Issued to determine the parties' parenting time and responsibilities and provide for support and visitation
- Protective provisions subject to VAWA FFC.

Court's Point of View

Protection Order:

- Issued: Court uses their emergency or injunctive power to issue ex parte order
- Standard of Proof –
ex parte: Reasonable grounds to believe the petitioner/child is in danger of harm or threatened by harm;
final: Preponderance of the evidence
- Factors to weigh: Evidence of abuse, petitioner/child's safety

Custody/Divorce Order:

- Issued: Statutory authority of the Court to regulate post-separation familial relationships
- Standard of Proof: Preponderance of the evidence
- Factors to Weigh: Best interests of the child, parental rights; DV provisions/safety



**What about orders issued
by Tribes?**

Tribes

Issued by Tribal Court

- Protection orders issued by a tribal court is afforded full faith and credit and must be enforced as if it was issued by the enforcing state or territory.

Issued by State

VAWA full faith and credit does not mandate that a tribe has to enforce an order issued by a state or territory. Many tribes will enforce the orders.

However, tribes are limited to *civil* jurisdiction over Non-Native offenders and *criminal* jurisdiction over Native offenders for certain crimes.

Tribal Protection Orders

- 18 U.S.C. §2265 applies to tribal court orders. States are required to recognize and enforce valid tribal court protection order.

Tribal Court Jurisdiction

18 U.S.C. §2265(e)

For purposes of this section, a tribal court shall have full civil jurisdiction to enforce protection orders, including authority to enforce any order through civil contempt proceedings, exclusion of violators from Indian lands, and other appropriate mechanisms, in matters arising within the authority of the tribe.

Resources for Help with Tribal Protection Orders

- Enforcement of civil protection orders in Indian Country can be very complex.
- For more information regarding enforcement of protection orders on tribal land please contact:
- **Southwest Center for Law and Policy (SWCLP) (520) 623-8192 or**
- **Tribal Law and Policy Institute (TLPI) at (651)-644-1125.**



What about Battered Immigrant or Trafficked Women?

Immigrant or Trafficked Women

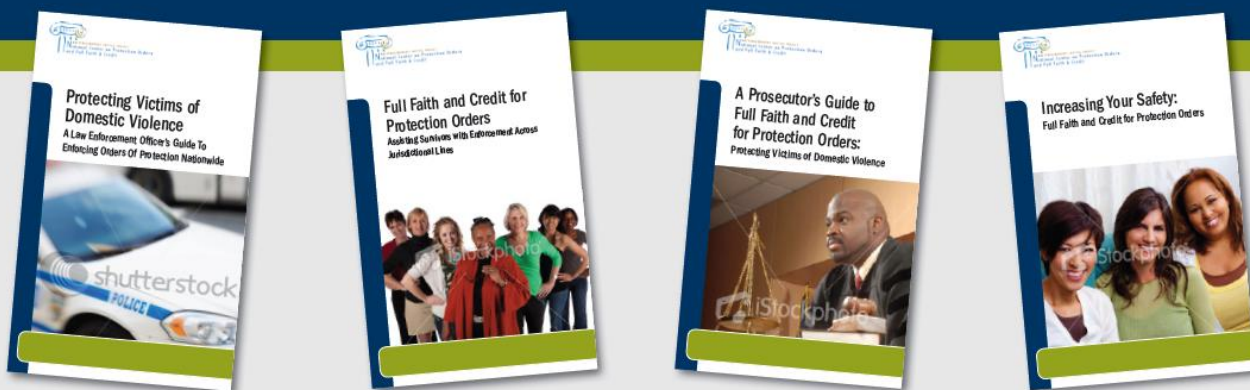
- Being a U.S. citizen is not a prerequisite to obtaining a protection order.
- No federal mandate for CJS staff/advocates to report undocumented victims.
- Know the climate and culture of your court's with regard to immigrants obtaining help.
- PO attorney/advocate work with immigration attorney.
- It is important that the attorney/advocate has expertise in both immigration law and domestic violence.
- Immigrant, refugee, and trafficked women may be eligible to self-petition for citizenship or pursue U/T visas.

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- **Encourage your client to consult with a domestic violence advocate in her new jurisdiction early in this process.**

Contact the NDVH or state DV/SA coalitions for contact information for local centers and attorneys in new jurisdiction.

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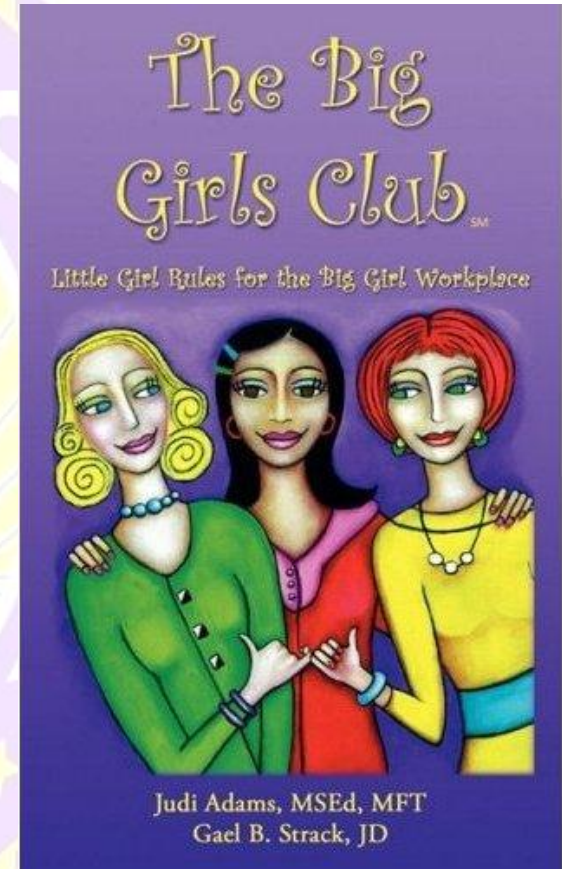
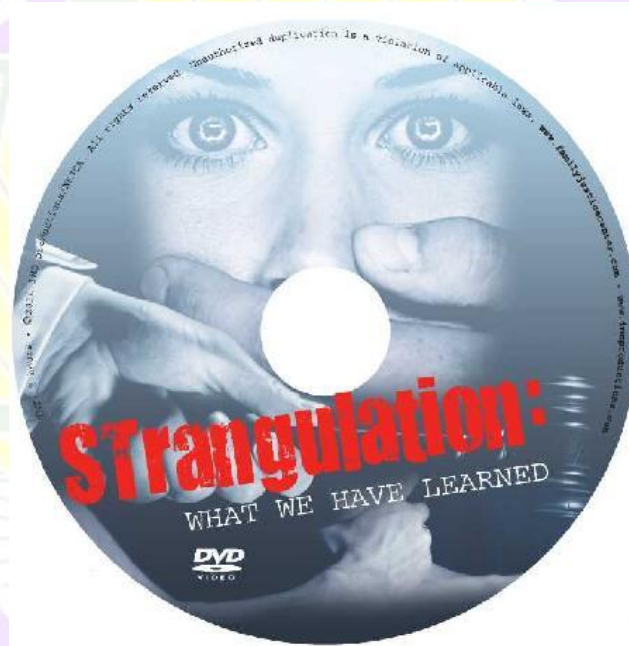
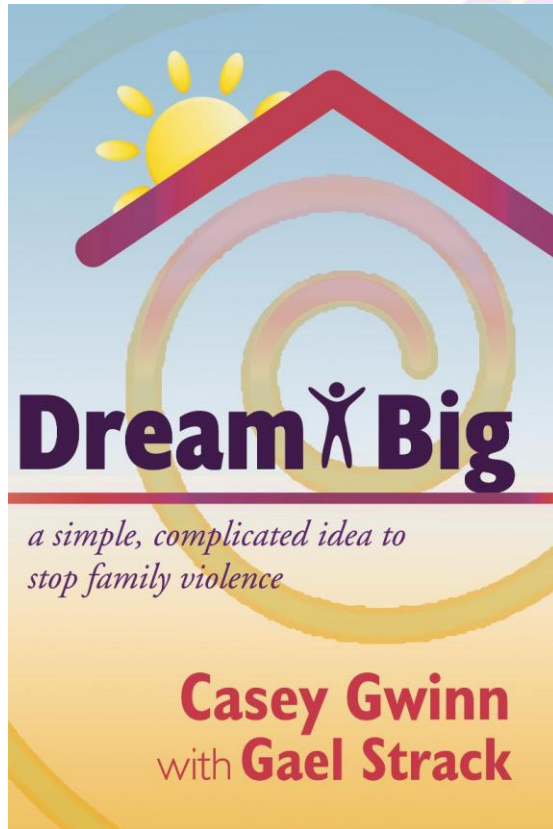
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