INFORMATION SHEET

The Pro Bono Restraining Order Project (PBRO) is a Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence (CCADV) program in conjunction with four of its member programs. It provides no cost limited scope representation to victims/survivors of domestic violence at restraining order hearings in Hartford, Rockville, Danbury, and Norwich courts.

PROJECT DOCUMENTS AND FORMS:

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- RELEASE OF INFORMATION: Signed or verbal authorization MUST be provided by the client through a Release of Information (ROI) form before making any project referrals to CCADV. Advocates who do not have their program's ROI form should ask their supervisor for it.
- <u>REFERRAL FORM</u>: This form initiates the referral process and must be fully completed by the advocate. The first page of this form is sent to the attorney for a conflict check.
- TRO COURT DOCUMENTS: The client's TRO orders are to be sent to the CCADV Project Manager along with the referral form.
 - > ORDER OF PROTECTION (JD-CL-99) (obtained after the Judge grants the RO request)
 - ADDITIONAL ORDERS OF PROTECTION (JD-CL-100) (obtained after the Judge grants the RO request)
 - ORDER FOR AND NOTICE OF COURT HEARING RETURN OF SERVICE RELIEF FROM ABUSE (JD-FM-140) (obtained after the Judge grants the RO request)
 - > <u>APPLICATION FOR RELIEF FROM ABUSE</u> (JD-FM-137)
 - AFFIDAVIT RELIEF FROM ABUSE (JD-FM-138)
- ADVOCATE SURVEY: This form evaluates the referral process and will be sent to the advocate as a link via email after the hearing occurs.

✤ QUALIFICATION FOR PROJECT REFERRAL:

- Referred client must be referred through one of the participating member programs: Interval House, The Network, The Center for Empowerment and Education, and Safe Futures.
- Referred client must have an upcoming restraining order hearing in one of the following courts: Hartford, Rockville, Danbury, or Norwich.
- Referred client must be an APPLICANT filing a restraining order.
- Referred client must not have an attorney representing them on pending legal matters.
- No income restriction for referred client.