## AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared [CLIENT'S FULL LEGAL NAME], known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed below, and who, being by me duly sworn, did state upon oath as follows:

- 1. My name is \_\_\_\_\_\_ [CLIENT'S FULL LEGAL NAME]. I am over the age of eighteen (18) years, of sound mind, capable of making this Affidavit, and personally acquainted with the facts stated herein.
- 2. I reside at \_\_\_\_\_ [CLIENT'S ADDRESS], \_\_\_\_\_ [CITY], Texas.
- I was previously in a relationship with Jason \_\_\_\_\_ [EX'S FULL LEGAL NAME] (hereinafter referred to as "Respondent"). [NATURE OF RELATIONSHIP e.g., "We were married for \_\_\_\_ years and divorced on \_\_\_\_\_ " OR "We were in a dating relationship for \_\_\_\_ months/years that ended on \_\_\_\_\_"].
- On \_\_\_\_\_ [DATE OF INCIDENT], at approximately \_\_\_\_\_ [TIME], Respondent came to my residence at the address listed above. He appeared to be intoxicated and/or under the influence of drugs. He began banging loudly on my front door.
- 5. I did not open the door. Instead, I communicated with him through my Ring doorbell camera and instructed him to leave my property immediately. This interaction was recorded by my Ring doorbell camera, and the footage has been preserved.
- 6. Respondent appeared to leave, but I later discovered he had not actually left the premises.
- 7. Approximately one hour later, at around \_\_\_\_\_ [TIME], I exited my home through the back door to take out the trash.
- 8. Respondent had concealed himself behind my vehicle in my driveway/backyard. When I approached, he suddenly jumped out from his hiding place, startling me.
- Respondent immediately began screaming at me, saying things such as
   \_\_\_\_\_\_[SPECIFICS OF WHAT HE YELLED, IF RECALLED].
- 10. Fearing for my safety, I turned to re-enter my home.

- 11. Respondent then physically assaulted me by grabbing my arm to prevent me from leaving. When I attempted to pull away, we struggled briefly before he forcefully threw me to the ground.
- 12. While I was on the ground, Respondent grabbed my cell phone from my hand, deliberately smashed it, and then threw it into my swimming pool to prevent me from calling 911 for emergency assistance.
- 13. I suffered injuries including \_\_\_\_\_\_ [DESCRIBE ANY PHYSICAL INJURIES SUCH AS BRUISES, SCRAPES, ETC.] as a result of this assault.
- 14. The altercation continued until my neighbor, \_\_\_\_\_\_ [NEIGHBOR'S NAME], heard the disturbance and came to my aid. Upon seeing my neighbor approach, Respondent fled the scene.
- 15. Due to Respondent's actions, I was unable to call 911 myself, but \_\_\_\_\_\_ [HOW POLICE WERE CONTACTED - e.g., "my neighbor called 911 on my behalf" OR "I used my neighbor's phone to call 911"].
- 16. [INCLUDE ANY PRIOR INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE: "This is not the first time Respondent has been violent toward me. On or about \_\_\_\_\_ [DATE], Respondent \_\_\_\_\_ " (DESCRIBE PRIOR INCIDENT)].
- 17. I am afraid of Respondent and fear that he will continue to harass, threaten, and physically harm me in the future. I believe that Respondent poses a clear and present danger to my physical safety and well-being.
- 18. I am requesting a Protective Order to prevent Respondent from committing further acts of family violence against me, from communicating with me in any manner, and from coming within \_\_\_\_\_\_ feet of my residence, workplace, or other places I regularly visit.

I swear under penalty of perjury that the facts stated in this Affidavit are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

[CLIENT'S FULL LEGAL NAME], Affiant

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me, the undersigned authority, on this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, **20**.

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_\_