

**NON-REMOVABLE MILLE LACS BAND OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS
IN THE COURT OF CENTRAL JURISDICTION**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING FOR A HARASSMENT RESTRAINING ORDER

(Minn. Stat. § 609.748)

WHAT IS AN HRO?

A Harassment Restraining Order (HRO) is a court order that may help protect you from harassment. A HRO will order the person harassing you, your minor child, or another person you have guardianship over to stop harassing you and have no contact unless allowed in the court order.

WHO MAY FILE?

Petition for a Harassment Restraining Order can be filed by:

- Any adult who is the victim of harassment
- Any adult on behalf of his or her minor child(ren)
- An adult on behalf of a person he or she has guardianship over

WHAT IS HARASSMENT?

Under Minn. Stat. 609.748, subd. 1, harassment is defined as:

- A single incident of physical or sexual assault.
- A single incident of stalking/harassment.
- A single incident of nonconsensual dissemination of private sexual images
- Repeated incidents of intrusive or unwanted acts, words, or gestures that have a substantial adverse effect or are intended to have a substantial adverse effect on the safety, security, or privacy of another
- A pattern of attending public events after being notified that the offender's presence at the event is harassing to another.
- Targeted residential picketing which includes the following acts when committed on more than one occasion:
 - Marching, standing, or patrolling by one or more persons directed solely at a particular residential building in a manner that adversely affects the safety, security, or privacy of an occupant of the building; or
 - Marching, standing or patrolling by one or more persons which prevents an occupant of a residential building from gaining access to or exiting from the property on which the residential building is located.

HOW DO I APPLY FOR A RESTRAINING ORDER?

The person applying for the HRO is called the **Petitioner**. To file for an HRO, the Petitioner must complete (**write clearly and legibly**) and file with the Clerk of Court the following:

1. ***Petition for Harassment Restraining Order***
2. ***Confidential Address/Phone Number Request*** (if you want the Court not to release your address or phone number)