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## Family Law

## FAMILY VIOLENCE AND FAMILY LAW

If you've been the victim of family violence and you're going through a separation, you may need assistance from the Family or Federal Circuit Court for your family law matters as well as the Local Court if you require a Protection Order.

Domestic Violence Orders describe two types of orders:-

1. **Temporary Protection Orders**, which are orders made on an interim basis and pending a final hearing taking place; and
2. **Protection Orders**, which are final orders, usually made for a period of two years.

In order to obtain a Protection Order, you need to establish the following:-

- a. A relevant relationship;
- b. That the other party has committed domestic violence;
- c. That a protection order is necessary or desirable to protect the victim from domestic violence.

Domestic Violence can take many forms. It can be physical, sexual, emotional, economical, or psychological and includes behaviours that otherwise control or dominate a person.

### Talk To Us on (07) 3128 0222

- ➔ **Know where you stand**
- ➔ **Know what your options are, both short and long term.**
- ➔ **Give yourself peace of mind and a way forward.**



The Family and Federal Circuit Courts take domestic violence very seriously. When making orders in children's cases, the court is required to make orders that are in the best interests of the children. One of the main considerations of the Court in determining where the best interests of children lie is the need to protect children from physical or psychological harm from being subjected or exposed to abuse or family violence.

**If you're in this situation, we can answer questions, like:-**

- Will my ex partner get access to the kids, even though there's been domestic violence?
- What sort of orders can be made for my protection? For the kids' protection?
- The violence wasn't physical. Does that mean it doesn't count?
- What sort of evidence will I need to provide there's been domestic violence?
- The kids are scared to go with their father. Can I do anything?

**We have the answers and your solutions.**

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