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Instructions: Use this form if the protected person has asked to renew the restraining order against you and you want to respond in writing. There is no court fee to file this form.

1 Protected Person (see form DV-700, item 1):

2 Your Name: _____

! Address where you can receive court papers

(This address will be used by the court and by the person in 1 to send you official court dates, orders, and papers. For privacy, you may use another address like a post office box, a Safe at Home address, or another person's address, if you have their permission and can get your mail regularly. If you have a lawyer, give their information.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

! Your contact information (optional)

(The court could use this information to contact you. If you don't want the person in 1 to have this information, leave it blank or provide a safe phone number or email address. If you have a lawyer, give their information.)

Email Address: _____ Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Your lawyer's information (if you have one)

Name: _____ State Bar No.: _____

Firm Name: _____

Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of

Fill in case number:

Case Number:

3 Your Hearing Date (Court Date)



Your hearing date is listed on form DV-710, (*Notice of Hearing to Renew Restraining Order*). If you do not agree to having the restraining order renewed, attend your hearing date. If you do not attend your hearing, the judge could renew the restraining order against you for at least five years, or make it a permanent order with no expiration.

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4 Do you agree with the request to renew the restraining order?

- a. I agree.
- b. I do not agree.

Explain why you disagree, or describe a different order that you would agree to: _____

5 Additional Reasons I Do Not Agree With the Request (optional)

If you do not agree to the request to renew restraining order, you may explain why (*give specific facts and reasons*):

Check here if you need more space. Attach a sheet of paper and write “DV-720, Additional Reasons I Do Not Agree With the Request” at the top.

6 Lawyer's Fees and Costs

If the person in ① checked item ⑤ on form DV-700, this means that they have asked the judge to order you to pay their lawyer's fees and costs. You may also ask for lawyer's fees and costs. The judge can order the person in ① to pay for your lawyer's fees and costs if:

- (1) The person in ①'s request for restraining order is denied;
- (2) The judge decides that the request was frivolous or was made only to abuse, intimidate, or cause unneeded delay; and
- (3) The person in ① can afford to pay for your lawyer's fees and costs.

Check here if you want the person in ① to pay for some or all of your lawyer's fees and costs.

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7 Your signature

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information above is true and correct.

Date: _____

Type or print your name



Sign your name

8 Your lawyer's signature (if you have one)

Date: _____

Lawyer's name



Lawyer's signature

Your Next Steps

- Turn in (file) your completed form with the court.
- Have someone (not you) mail the person in ① a copy of this form, and complete _____, *Proof of Service by Mail*. File form DV-250 with the court. *(The person who mails this form must be at least 18 years old and cannot be you or someone protected on the restraining order.)*
- Prepare for your court date by gathering evidence or witnesses, if you have any. If you need an interpreter for your court date, use _____ to request an interpreter, or ask the court clerk how you can request one. If you need a disability accommodation, use _____ to request assistance, and contact the disability/ADA coordinator at your local court for more information.
- Free legal help is available at your court's self-help center. Find your local court's self-help center at _____

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