

## **Notice to Petitioner Regarding Information Provided in Petition and Affidavit**

- The information given in your Petition and Affidavit will be used by the judge when deciding whether to issue an Order for Protection.
- You may refuse to provide the requested information. If you refuse to provide the information, the judge may not be able to issue an Order for Protection.
- If you supply the information, it will become public information as soon as the Court receives notice that the Order for Protection has been served upon the Respondent. You may, however, request that your address and telephone number not be given to the Respondent or made a part of the public file.
- The Court administrator's office will deliver a copy of the Petition and Order for Protection to the sheriff, who will serve it on the Respondent.
- If there is a claim of child abuse contained in the Petition, it will be reported to the appropriate authority.

### **Notice to Applicant/Petitioner**

1. Notification of a change in residence should be given immediately to the court administrator and to the local law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over the new residence of the applicant.
2. The reason for notification of a change in residence is to forward an Order for Protection to the proper law enforcement agency.
3. The Order for Protection must be forwarded to the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over the new residence within 24 hours of notification of a change in residence whether notification is given to the court administrator or to the local law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over the applicant's new residence.