

The Law

In Florida, Petitioners may now request their pet(s) be included in their Petition for Injunction for Protection Against Domestic Violence.

Using Pets to Control

89% of pet-owning women entering domestic violence shelters report that their abuser threatened, harmed, or killed a family pet.

May Prevent:

The court may order the Respondent to have no contact with the pet and prohibit the Respondent from taking, transferring, encumbering, concealing, harming, or otherwise disposing of the pet.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FAMILY PETS

FLORIDA'S INJUNCTION FOR PROTECTION LAWS OFFER PROTECTION FOR YOUR PETS

Here to Help:

If you are a victim and need an Injunction for Protection, contact Coast to Coast Legal Aid of South Florida at 954-736-2400. For more information, CoastToCoastLegalAid.org

Relevant Factor

When deciding whether to grant a Final Judgment, the court must consider if the Respondent ever intentionally injured or killed a family pet.

Did you know?

Due to concern for their pets, as many as 48% of victims and survivors of domestic violence delay seeking safety for themselves and their families.

PETITIONERS MAY BE GRANTED:

the exclusive care, possession, or control of an pet that is owned, possessed, harbored, kept, or held by the Petitioner, the Respondent, or a minor child residing in the residence or household of the Petitioner or Respondent.



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