



PUBLIC GUIDE INFORMATION SHEET

TOPIC: Request for Continuance – to request postponing a hearing

How to Fill Out a Request for Continuance of a Petition for Protection Order DV-108

Please read these instructions before filling out the form. If you have questions, please contact the Clerk of the Court. While Court staff cannot provide you with legal advice, staff may be able to provide you with referrals and resources to those who can assist you.

What is a continuance: When a court moves a hearing to a future date it is called a continuance. Most continuances postpone a hearing up to a month's time but depending on the facts the judge may decide to postpone the hearing for less or more time.

Information of person Filing Form: Please provide your name, address, and phone number in the "Information of Person Filing Form" section.

Then check the box that best describes who you are:

- Check "Petitioner" if you are the person who brought the case to court or asked the court to review the case.
- Check "Respondent" if you are the person who is being sued or tried in court by someone else.
- Check "Attorney/Advocate" if you are filling out this form on behalf of someone else either as their attorney or their advocate and write the name of the person you are representing on the line provided.
- Check "Other" if you are not the Petitioner, the Respondent, or an Attorney/Advocate for someone else. Then, describe who you are on the line provided (e.g. Grandparent of Child, Petitioner's Employer, etc.).

Case No.: Write in the case number. If you do not know it, look at the Notice of Hearing or Petition for Protection for the number. If you still cannot find the number, ask a Wadaapé Advocate or a Court Clerk.

Petitioner/Respondent: Write in the names of **both** sides:

Write in the name of the person who is requesting the protection order. -AND-

Write in the full name of the Respondent (the person against whom the petition for protection is being filed)

Question 1. Check the box(s) that describes your role in the case. If you check 'Other' you will need to describe your role, such as attorney for Petitioner or Respondent.

Question 2. Prior Continuance Requested: Please check the box which applies to your request. Have you applied for a continuance before in this same case? If so, please check "HAVE." But if



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not, check the box that indicates you have never requested this for this same case before.

Question 3: Scheduled Date of Hearing. Please fill in the blanks concerning the day, month, year, and time of the hearing.

Question 4: Request To Change Hearing Date: Check the box if you would like the Court to move the hearing to a different time and date.

Question 5: Reason for Change of Date Request: Please provide the reason(s) why you want to move the hearing date. If you wish you could also propose the date and time when you want to move the hearing to.

Case Name and Number at top of Page 2. At the top of page 2 write in the same names you wrote on for questions 1 and 2. Also write in the case number.

Question 6: Check and Read: Please read this section carefully and remember – if the Court does not grant a change of date, and you do not attend, the Court may give the other party everything they request. Also, if the Court grants a change of hearing date and time, and you fail to show up for that new hearing, the Court may give the other party everything they request. It is important to understand that you need to attend your hearing.

Signature: Finally, please write the date that you completed this form on the lines provided and write and sign your name on the lines below.

Note: By signing and dating this form, you are promising that the information you have provided on this form is truthful and correct. If you are not truthful, the court may hold you in contempt or you could be accused of perjury (lying to the court).