

## **Emergency Protection From Abuse Order**

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An **Emergency Protection From Abuse Order** can be requested after 12:15 p.m. until the close of business daily at the office of your **Magisterial District Judge**. After business hours and on weekends, your police department can connect you with the “on duty” Magisterial District Judge. The Magisterial District Judge may issue an Emergency PFA Order, but not a Temporary PFA Order.

If you are granted an Emergency Protection From Abuse Order, **your Emergency Order will expire at the end of the next business day.**

**If you want a Temporary PFA Order**, go to the Lehigh County Family Court Office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. and file a Petition For PFA.

### **LEHIGH COUNTY FAMILY COURT OFFICE**

Lehigh County Courthouse  
Room 423  
455 W. Hamilton Street  
Allentown, PA  
610-782-3390

#### **Turning Point**

(Domestic Violence Assistance)  
610-437-3369  
Toll Free 24-Hour Hotline  
1-877-438-4957

#### **Lehigh County Children and Youth**

610-782-3064

#### **Domestic Violence Prosecutors Office**

610-782-3100

#### **Domestic Violence Detectives Office**

610-782-3322

610-782-3768

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for professional legal advice.  
For legal advice,  
contact a lawyer.***

## **Court of Common Pleas of Lehigh County Family Court Office**

## **How to Obtain a Protection From Abuse Order**

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