

Frequently Asked Questions:

For all forms: <http://www.courts.state.co.us/Forms/Index.cfm>

For all Colorado Statutes: <http://www.checkerboard.co>

How to File Documents with the Court

- Take Original + three copies to Clerk, (*total of four*) with a Certificate of Delivery attached to each
- Ask the Clerk to date-stamp all of them
- Clerk will keep the Original and One Copy
- You keep one stamped copy for **your** files
- The last stamped copy is mailed **to the other party**

Where do I file?

- Any county where the DV acts occurred
- Any county where one of the parties resides
- Any county where one of the parties is employed

Filing Fee :

- There is **no filing fee** *if* the person seeking the Protection Order is the victim of domestic abuse, stalking, sexual assault, or unlawful sexual contact.
- Otherwise, the filing fee is \$60.00

What is Service?

Service is formal notice to the other party that there is a case involving them before the Court. Both parties have a constitutional right to a fair opportunity to appear and be heard. Service is how the Court ensures that both parties have a fair opportunity to appear and be heard.

See: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Caq1IWUVih8>

How is Service Accomplished?

(for persons served in Colorado)

In a Protection Order case:

- by Personal Service
 - served by 3rd party, without an interest in the action;
 - must file "Return of Service" with Court

Colorado Legal Services:

Provides legal services to indigent clients on a variety of civil matters, including: Consumer Finance, Education, Employment, Family law, Health, Housing, Individual rights, Juvenile matters & others

Denver (Adams, Arapahoe, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas, Elbert, Jefferson; seniors in Clear Creek, Gilpin)
Address: 1905 Sherman St., Suite 400, Denver
Phone: **(303) 837-1313**

Colorado Springs (El Paso, Lincoln, Teller; Chaffee, Custer, Fremont, Park counties)
Address: 617 S Nevada Ave., CO Springs
Phone: **(719) 471-0380**

Fort Collins (Larimer)
Address: 211 West Magnolia Street
Phone: **(970) 493-2891**

Migrant Farmworker Division (all counties)
Address: 1905 Sherman, Denver
Phone: **(800) 864-4330**

- Pro Se litigants are parties without an attorney
- All parties are seen on first-come, first served basis
- Clinics are staffed by volunteer attorneys & paralegals
- No income/indigency requirements