

A 209A Abuse Prevention Order is commonly referred to as a restraining order. It is a legal tool designed to protect a family and/or household member, current or former spouse or domestic partner, or one who is currently or previously was involved in a dating or intimate relationship from domestic violence.

Whether you are the one seeking the restraining order, or you are the subject of a restraining order, you need legal assistance, immediately. You need to understand the process, the law, your rights, your obligations, and how to successfully maintain the restraining order, or, vigorously defend against a restraining order if you believe you have been falsely accused.

If you are seeking the protection of a 209A Restraining Order, **Family Law Associates** will aggressively defend your position and secure your legal rights. We will also help you navigate life while the 209A Order is in effect to ensure your safety.

If you are the subject of a 209A Restraining Order, do not appear at the initial hearing without legal representation. Do not contact the other party in person, through text, telephone, email, or another person. Call **Family Law Associates** immediately for an emergency consultation. We will provide you with sound legal advice to assist you in protecting your rights, avoid further criminal charges, and deal with any concurrent criminal charges.