

WHAT IS A TEMPORARY PROTECTIVE ORDER (T.P.O.)?

A Temporary Protective Order (TPO) is a civil order issued by a Superior Court Judge for the protection of victims of Family Violence or Stalking. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. 19-13-4, a

Temporary Protective Order can:

- *Direct a party to refrain from committing acts of family violence or stalking.
- *Grant to a spouse possession of the residence or household of the parties and exclude the other spouse from the residence or household.
- * Require a party to provide suitable alternative housing for a spouse, former spouse, or parent and the parties' child or children.
- *Award temporary custody of minor children and establish temporary visitation rights.
- * Order either party to make payment for the support of minor children / support of spouse.
- * Order a party to refrain from harassing or interfering with the other.

For assistance in obtaining a TPO,

Contact Terrie Southerland
BCSO Victim's Advocate
At 770-382-5050 Ext. 6362



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

**Victim Assistance
770-387-5106**

**District Attorney
770-387-5080**

**Magistrate Court
770-387-5070**

**Womens Shelter
Tranquility House
(Christian League for Battered Women)**

**770-386-8779
24 Hour Crisis Line**

Domestic Violence And Stalking

Compliments of:

Bartow County Sheriffs Office
104 Zena Drive
Cartersville, GA 30121

Non Emergency: 770-382-5050
Emergency - DIAL 911

SHERIFF CLARK MILLSAP

CASE NUMBER: _____