

Pro se Motion to Modify the No-Contact Order

Motions to modify the no-contact order can be filed by your Assistant Public Defender; however, if you do not have an attorney you may use these forms or the complaining witness may file it as well. Courts will likely need to hear from the complaining witness to rule on this motion. There are *three* forms attached to that we hope will help you with this matter: (1) Defendant's Motion to Modify the No- Contact Order; (2) Notice of Hearing; (3) Order Modifying the No-Contact Order.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARING AND FILING YOUR MOTION

1. Fill out all of the attached forms correctly.
 - In each document's "heading," circle either COUNTY (for Misdemeanor cases) or CIRCUIT (for Felony cases)
 - Write in your name, case number, and the court division.
 - Fill in all of the spaces where you see a " _____ "
 - Where you see words separated by a slash mark (/), you need to circle one of the words.
 - Write the current date in the last paragraph of the Motion and Notice of Hearing.

****DO NOT** fill in the court date or time on the Notice of Hearing.

 - Sign on the line above "DEFENDANT, PRO SE" on the Motion and Notice of Hearing.
 - Write your telephone number and address in the blanks below your signature.
 - Write the name and telephone number for your probation officer.

****DO NOT** sign and **DO NOT** write a date on the Order. The judge will sign and date the order in court.

2. Once you have the specific instructions from the court, **make 4 copies** of the Motion and Notice of Hearing.

File the original Motion and Notice of Hearing and Order to:

- **Clerk of Court** (select the county/location that applies):
 - Manatee County: P.O. Box 25400, Bradenton, FL 34206
 - Sarasota County: P.O. Box 3079, Sarasota, FL 34230
 - Venice: P.O. Box 3079, Sarasota, FL 34230
 - Arcadia: 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, FL 34266

Mail a copy of the Motion and Notice of Hearing to each party listed below:

- **State Attorney** (select the county/location that applies):
 - Bradenton: 1112 Manatee Avenue West, 6th Floor, Bradenton, FL 34205
 - Sarasota: 2071 Ringling Blvd, #400, Sarasota, F 34237
 - Venice: 4000 South Tamiami Trail, Room 135, Venice, FL 34293
 - Arcadia: 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, FL 34266
- **Your probation officer**
- **The judge** (select the county/location that applies):
 - Bradenton: Manatee County Judicial Center, P.O. Box 3000, Bradenton, FL 34206
 - Sarasota: Judge Lynn Silvertooth Judicial Center, 2002 Ringling Blvd, Sarasota, FL 34237
 - Venice: Robert L. Anderson Adm Center, 4000 South Tamiami Tr, Venice, FL 34293
 - Arcadia: Desoto County Courthouse: 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, FL 34266

Keep a copy of the Motion and Notice of Hearing for yourself.

3. When you go to court, bring your copy of the Motion, Notice of Hearing, and Order.

4. The Judge will notify you in the mail of a hearing date or final disposition of your motion. The Judge may deny or grant your motion without a hearing. Additionally, you can check the status of your motion on the Clerk's website.

IN THE COUNTY / CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN
AND FOR SARASOTA/MANATEE/DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA
CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION

STATE OF FLORIDA

CASE NUMBER: _____

vs.

DIVISION: _____

DEFENDANT, *pro se*

**DEFENDANT'S PRO SE MOTION TO
MODIFY THE NO-CONTACT ORDER TO NO HARMFUL CONTACT**

COMES NOW the Defendant, *pro se* and moves this Court to Modify the Order of No-Contact issued in this case, and in support of this motion states:

Check the box of any grounds that may apply AND Circle appropriate choices separate by / .

I appeared before the Court of the _____ day of _____, 20____, before Judge _____, Courtroom Number _____.

I was ordered to have no contact with the **VICTIM/WITNESS** _____ until further order of the Court.

The **VICTIM/WITNESS** and I wish to have contact with one another and state that we are willing to appear and be heard before the Court to have the order modified to no harmful contact.

Additional grounds supporting this request include:

WHEREFORE, the Defendant respectfully requests this Court grant this motion and modify the no-contact order previously entered in this case to a no violent contact order.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing motion has been furnished to the Office of the State Attorney, _____ (address), this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Respectfully submitted,

DEFENDANT (Signature)

Telephone: (_____) _____

Address: _____

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NOTICE OF HEARING

TO: OFFICE OF THE STATE ATTORNEY

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the motion listed below has been scheduled for hearing before
Judge _____, in courtroom # _____, on the _____ day of _____, 20 ____.
at _____ a.m./p.m. or as soon thereafter as may be heard.

**DEFENDANT'S PRO SE MOTION TO MODIFY
THE NO-CONTACT ORDER TO NO HARMFUL CONTACT**

DATED this _____ of _____, 20 ____.

Respectfully submitted,

DEFENDANT (Signature)

Telephone: (____) _____

Address: _____

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**ORDER ON DEFENDANT'S PRO SE MOTION
TO MODIFY NO-CONTACT ORDER TO NO VIOLENT CONTACT**

THIS CAUSE, having come before the Court on the Pro Se Motion to Modify the No-Contact Order to No Violent Contact. This Court having reviewed the file, taken testimony, and being otherwise fully advised in the premises therein, it is hereby:

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Defendant's pro se Motion to Modify the No-Contact Order to No Violent Contact is hereby:

GRANTED – DENIED

DONE AND ORDERED this _____ day of _____, 20____.

CIRCUIT/COUNTY COURT JUDGE

Copies furnished to:

Defendant, *pro se*
Office of the State Attorney