

RHODE ISLAND FAMILY COURT  
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 99-3

RE: HEARINGS AFTER DENIALS OF DOMESTIC ABUSE EX PARTE TEMPORARY  
RESTRAINING ORDERS

In instances where the court denies an ex parte application for a domestic abuse temporary restraining order, a party may request an evidentiary hearing on the merits of the underlying complaint. If requested, such hearing shall be scheduled by the Domestic Clerk's Office on the domestic abuse calendar. The Clerk's Office will issue a summons to the defendant to appear at a date and time to respond to the allegations set forth in the complaint.

Whenever a request for a domestic abuse ex parte temporary restraining order is denied, the judge or magistrate shall write "denied" on the face of the temporary order form (DR. 31), sign his or her name and record the date and time of the denial. The clerk will then return the papers to the Clerk's Office for further processing.

7/23/99

Date

Jeremiah S. Jeremiah, Jr.  
Chief Judge