

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
AFFIDAVIT**



(Party name as displayed in case caption)

Docket/Case No.

Vs.

(Party name as displayed in case caption)

Court

Pursuant to Pa.R.Civ.P.M.D.J. 514.1:

I, _____, the undersigned, certify and declare as follows:

- 1) I am a victim of domestic violence.
- 2) The name of the perpetrator of domestic violence: _____
- 3) The perpetrator's relationship to me is: _____
- 4) Docket number(s) (if applicable) of any protection from abuse case involving me and the perpetrator:

I verify that the statements herein are true and correct. I understand that false statements herein are made subject to the penalties of Section 4904 of the Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S. § 4904) relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

I certify that this filing complies with the provisions of the Case Records Public Access Policy of the Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania that require filing confidential information and documents differently than non-confidential information or documents.

Signature

Date

Supplemental Instructions

A victim of domestic violence is "a person who has obtained a protection from abuse order against another individual or can provide other evidence of abuse." See Pa.R.Civ.P.M.D.J. 1001(10); 68 P.S. 250.513. A tenant who is aggrieved by a judgment for the delivery of real property arising out of a residential lease and who is a victim of domestic violence may appeal the judgment within 30 days after the date of the entry of judgment by filing a notice of appeal with the prothonotary/clerk of court of the court of common pleas, civil division, along with a copy of the Domestic Violence Affidavit. A tenant who is a victim of domestic violence may file the Affidavit with the magisterial district court to stay the execution of an order for possession pursuant to Rule 514.1 prior to filing an appeal with the court of common pleas. If the Affidavit is filed with the magisterial district court, the tenant should attach a copy of the Affidavit to the notice of appeal. If the tenant does not file the Domestic Violence Affidavit with the magisterial district court or does not appeal to the court of common pleas within 21 days following the entry of the judgment, the tenant is at risk of eviction.

This Domestic Violence Affidavit is not a public record and it shall not be publically accessible.