

Protection From Abuse on or after May 23, 2019

- Current or former spouse, including common law spouse
- Child in common regardless of marital or living status
- Person who has or had a dating relationship with the defendant (within the prior 12 months of the filing)
- Current or former household member
- Relative of a current or former household member who also lived with defendant
- An individual who is a parent, stepparent, child or stepchild (no living arrangement requirement)

A household member excludes non-romantic or non-intimate co-residents.

A dating relationship does not include a casual or business relationship or a relationship that ended more than 12 months prior to filing of the petition (includes engagement period). It is a relationship characterized by expectation of affectionate or sexual involvement by either party.