

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

IN RE:

CASE NO.: _____

Respondent.
_____/

PETITION FOR INVOLUNTARY ASSESSMENT AND STABILIZATION
(Family Member)

Petitioner, being duly, sworn petitions this Court to take action under F. S. 397.6811, et seq. and states as follows:

1. Respondent _____, is a resident of Okeechobee County, Florida or is currently found in this county. Respondent was born on _____ and his/her address is _____.
2. Petitioner's address is _____, and Petitioner is related to Respondent as: _____.
3. The behavior and conduct of the Respondent has been generally observed by Petitioner within the **LAST THREE DAYS**, and as a result Petitioner has a good faith reason to believe that Respondent is substance abuse impaired and, because of such impairment, Respondent has lost the power of self-control with respect to substance use; and either (*mark one*)
 - Has inflicted, or threatened or attempted to inflict, or unless admitted is likely to inflict, physical harm on Respondent or another;
 - Is in need of substance abuse services and, by reason of substance abuse impairment, Respondent's judgment has been so impaired that Respondent is incapable of appreciating his/her need for such services and of making a rational decision regarding the need for treatment.
4. **WITHIN THE LAST THREE DAYS**, Petitioner has observed or become aware of the following: (*use additional pages if necessary*)
 - a) Petitioner has personally seen Respondent and observed the following regarding **Respondent's physical appearance**, which Petitioner believes is proof that Respondent is presently abusing drugs and or alcohol:

_____.
 - b) Petitioner has personally seen Respondent and observed the following regarding **Respondent's behavior**, which Petitioner believes is proof that Respondent is presently abusing drugs and/or alcohol:

_____.

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- c) Petitioner has personally seen Respondent and **has heard Respondent say** the following, **which Petitioner believes is proof that Respondent is presently abusing drugs and/or alcohol:**

_____.

- d) Petitioner has been told by _____ (name), who (mark one)

- is related to Respondent as _____,
 is a friend or acquaintance of Respondent,

the following: _____

_____.

Petitioner believes these statements are reliable proof that Respondent is presently abusing drugs and/or alcohol.

- e) Petitioner believes Respondent has or will inflict physical harm on himself/herself or others because of the following **statements or actions by Respondent**, which Petitioner has personally seen or heard **WITHIN THE LAST THREE DAYS:**

_____.

- f) On _____, 200____, Petitioner asked Respondent to seek voluntary assessment for substance abuse and Respondent failed to seek an assessment.

5. Based on the observations indicating Respondent is abusing substances and the statements by Respondent described above, Petitioner believes that Respondent's refusal to voluntarily receive care is because Respondent's judgment is so impaired by reason of substance abuse that Respondent is

incapable of appreciating his/her need for care or making a rational decision regarding care.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner requests that an order be entered requiring Respondent to submit to an involuntary assessment and stabilization for substance abuse.

Petitioner (signature)

Print Name: _____

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me on _____,
202_____, by the above Petitioner, who produced a photo identification card or driver's license.

Jerald D. Bryant
Clerk of Circuit Court and Comptroller

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

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