

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

VSO Case Number
VP260001864

IN RE: PETITION FOR RISK PROTECTION ORDER
AGAINST *{Name of Respondent}* _____

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF VOLUSIA

I, *{full legal name}* Jonathan Mendoza, in my position as *{job title}* Deputy Sheriff with the *{name of law enforcement officer/agency}* Volusia Sheriff Office, swear and affirm that the following facts are true and correct.

1. *{Name of Respondent}* _____ poses a significant danger of causing personal injury to himself/herself or others by having a firearm or any ammunition in his/her custody or control or by purchasing, possessing or receiving a firearm or any ammunition. The following specific statements, actions, or facts give rise to a reasonable fear of significant dangerous acts by the respondent:

See Attached Pages

2 Additional pages are attached.

2. *{Name of Witness}* _____ provided the following information based on his/her personal knowledge:

_____ Additional pages are attached.

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BWC RECORDING

On 01/27/2026, at approximately 0039 hours, Deputy Button responded to _____ Deltona, in reference to a disturbance complaint. Upon arrival, Deputies made contact with _____ (V1), who stated the following:

_____ stated he was half asleep on the other side of the residence when he heard his brother-in-law, _____ a minor, (V2), actively arguing with _____ (D1). _____ stated _____ was calm and respectful and not being aggressive during the argument. _____ stated the argument erupted due to _____'s fiancé, _____ (O1), not wanting to drive a vehicle at the residence which had no active insurance. When the verbal argument began escalating, _____ observed _____ run into a nearby bedroom, grabbing something gray which he stated resembled a small firearm. _____ was seen pacing around the residence with the firearm in an aggressive manner. At some point while _____ was pacing the residence, _____ observed _____ pointing the firearm directly towards him. _____ advised he was in fear for his safety when _____ pointed the firearm towards him. _____ eventually retreated into the bedroom shortly before law enforcement arrival. _____ completed a sworn written statement.

Deputies made contact with _____ (V1), who stated he was sleeping when he was woken up by yelling coming from within the residence. When _____ exited the bedroom, he observed _____ holding a firearm. _____ stated _____ then began to yell and approach him in an aggressive manner, pointing the firearm towards his direction, which made _____ fear for his life and safety. In fear of his life, _____ retreated within the residence. _____ completed a sworn written statement advising he wishes to pursue criminal charges. Due to _____ being under the age of 18, _____'s mother, _____ (P1), advised she wishes to pursue criminal charges on behalf of _____

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Deputies made contact with [REDACTED] who stated an argument erupted between [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] (O2), over [REDACTED] not wanting to drive a car that had no insurance. When the argument began to escalate, [REDACTED] attempted to pull [REDACTED] back into the bedroom to prevent her from fighting anyone in the residence. The argument continued to escalate, which is when [REDACTED] grabbed [REDACTED]'s purple and black Ruger handgun (SN 372493616) to defend [REDACTED] from any possible physical fighting. It should be noted, at the time of [REDACTED] grabbing the firearm, the argument was not physical at any point.

Based on the above information and physical evidence, Deputy Button determined [REDACTED] was the primary aggressor and intentionally escalated the situation by grabbing a firearm and creating a more dangerous argument. Furthermore, [REDACTED] intentionally grabbed [REDACTED]'s firearm and pointed it directly at [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] causing them to fear for their lives and safety. Due to [REDACTED] being under the age of 18, Deputy Button determined probable cause to charge [REDACTED] with child abuse.

[REDACTED] was placed into custody and transported to the Volusia County Branch Jail without incident.

Case Status: Arrest / Adult

3. Affiant is is not aware of any existing protection order governing the respondent under any applicable statute.

0 Known protection orders are attached

4. The quantities, types, and locations of all firearms and ammunition the petitioner believes to be in the respondent's current ownership, possession, custody or control are as follows:

Quantity	<u>1</u>	Type	<u>Handgun</u>	Location	<u>[REDACTED], Deltona</u>
Quantity	<u> </u>	Type	<u> </u>	Location	<u> </u>
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 Additional pages are attached.

AFFIANT HEREBY CERTIFIES UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE STATEMENTS AND FACTS IN THIS AFFIDAVIT AND IN ANY ATTACHMENTS ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

Dated: 01/27/2026 Signature of Affiant: *Jonathan Mendoza*

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me by means of physical presence or online notarization, this 27 day of January, 2026, by Deputy Jonathan Mendoza
Affiant's name

Brian Santiago
Signature of Attesting LEO Witness

Deputy Brian Santiago
Print name of Attesting LEO Witness

OR

Signature of Notary Public

(Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public)

Personally known or Produced Identification

(Type of Identification Produced)