

- 2.4 Opening or diverting mail addressed to the other party.
- 2.5 Using any password or personal identification number to gain access to the other party's email account, bank account, social media account, or any other electronic account.
- 2.6 Illegally intercepting or recording the other party's electronic communications.
3. **PRESERVATION OF PROPERTY AND USE OF FUNDS DURING DIVORCE CASE.** If this is a divorce case, both parties to the marriage are ORDERED to refrain from doing the following acts:
 - 3.1 Destroying, removing, concealing, encumbering, transferring, or otherwise harming or reducing the value of the property of one or both parties.
 - 3.2 Misrepresenting or refusing to disclose to the other party or to the Court, on proper request, the existence, amount, or location of any property of one or both parties.
 - 3.3 Damaging or destroying the tangible property of one or both parties, including any document that represents or embodies anything of value.
 - 3.4 Tampering with the tangible property of one or both parties, including any document that represents or embodies anything of value, and causing pecuniary loss to the other party.
 - 3.5 Selling, transferring, assigning, mortgaging, encumbering, or in any other manner alienating any of the property of either party, whether personal property or real estate property, and whether separate or community, except as specifically authorized by this order.
 - 3.6 Incurring any indebtedness, other than legal expenses in connection with this suit, except as specifically authorized by this order.
 - 3.7 Making withdrawals from any checking or savings account in any financial institution for any purpose, except as specifically authorized by this order.
 - 3.8 Spending any sum of cash in either party's possession or subject to either party's control for any purpose, except as specifically authorized by this order.
 - 3.9 Withdrawing or borrowing in any manner for any purpose from any retirement, savings plan or from any individual retirement account or Keogh account, except as specifically authorized by this order.
 - 3.10 Signing or endorsing the other party's name on any negotiable instrument, check, or draft, such as tax refunds, insurance payments and dividends, or attempting to negotiate any negotiable instrument payable to the other party without the personal signature of the other party.
 - 3.11 Taking any action to terminate or limit credit or charge cards in the name of the other party.
 - 3.12 Entering, operating, or exercising control over the motor vehicle in the possession of the other party.
 - 3.13 Discontinuing or reducing the withholding for federal income taxes on wages or salary while this suit is pending.
 - 3.14 Terminating or in any manner affecting the service of water, electricity, gas, telephone, cable television, or other contractual services, such as security, pest control, landscaping, or yard maintenance at the other party's residence or in any manner attempting to withdraw any deposits for service in connection with such services.
4. **PERSONAL AND BUSINESS RECORDS IN DIVORCE CASE.** If this is a divorce case, both parties to the marriage are ORDERED to refrain from doing the following acts:
 - 4.1 Concealing, disposing of, altering or destroying any family records, property

records, financial records, business records or any records of income, debts, or other obligations, including but not limited to a canceled check, deposit slip, and other records from a financial institution, a record of credit purchases or cash advances, a tax return, or a financial statement.

- 4.2 Falsifying any writing or record relating to the property of either party.
- 4.3 "Records" include e-mail or other digital or electronic data, whether stored on a computer hard drive, diskette, in a removable storage device, in cloud storage or other electronic storage medium.
- 4.4 Destroying, disposing of or altering any email, text message, video or chat message, or other electronic data or electronically stored information relevant to the subject matter of this case.
- 4.5 Modifying, changing or altering the native format or metadata of any electronic data or electronically stored information relevant to the subject matter of this case.

5. **INSURANCE IN DIVORCE CASE.** If this is a divorce case, both parties to the marriage are ORDERED to refrain from doing the following acts:

- 5.1 Withdrawing or borrowing in any manner all or any part of the cash surrender value of life insurance policies on the life of either party, except as specifically authorized by this order.
- 5.2 Changing or in any manner altering the beneficiary designation of any life insurance on the life of either party or the parties' children.
- 5.3 Canceling, altering, or in any manner affecting any casualty, automobile, or health insurance policies insuring the parties' property or persons including the parties' minor children.

6. **SPECIFIC AUTHORIZATIONS IN DIVORCE CASE.** If this is a divorce case, both parties to the marriage are specifically authorized to do the following:

- 6.1 To engage in acts reasonable and necessary to the conduct of that party's usual business and occupation.
- 6.2 To make expenditures and incur indebtedness for reasonable attorney's fees and expenses in connection with this suit.
- 6.3 To make expenditures and incur indebtedness for reasonable and necessary living expenses for food, clothing, shelter, transportation and medical care.
- 6.4 To make withdraws from accounts in financial institutions only for the purposes authorized by this order.

7. **SERVICE AND APPLICATION OF THIS ORDER.**

- 7.1 The Petitioner shall attach a copy of this order to the Original Petition of **Every** Divorce Suit and **Every** Original Suit Affecting Parent Child Relationship. If order is not attached the filing will be returned with the stated reason:

Milam County requires the MILAM COUNTY STANDING ORDER REGARDING CHILDREN, PROPERTY AND CONDUCT OF THE PARTIES be attached to the Original Petition of every Divorce and every Original Suit Affecting the Parent Child Relationship. Please attach with petition and resubmit.

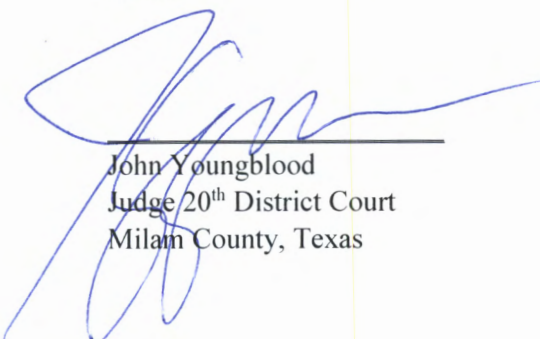
If a self-represented litigant files a Divorce or an Original Suit Affecting the Parent Child Relationship, the Clerk will add and accept the filing.

7.2 This order is effective upon filing of the original petition and shall remain in full force and effect as a temporary restraining order for fourteen days after the date of the filing of the original petition. If no party contests this order by presenting evidence at a hearing on or before fourteen days after the date of the filing of the original petition, this order shall continue in full force and effect as a temporary injunction until further order of the court. This entire order will terminate and will no longer be effective once the court signs a final order.

8. **EFFECT OF OTHER COURT ORDERS.** If any part of this order is different from any part of a protective order or Child Protective Services order that has already been entered or is later entered, the protective order or Child Protective Services order provisions prevail. Any part of this order not changed by some later order remains in full force and effect until the court signs a final order.

9. **PARTIES ENCOURAGED TO MEDIATE.** The parties are encouraged to settle their disputes amicably without court intervention. The parties are encouraged to use alternative dispute resolution methods, such as mediation, to resolve the conflicts that may arise in this lawsuit.

THIS MILAM COUNTY STANDING ORDER REGARDING CHILDREN, PROPERTY AND CONDUCT OF THE PARTIES SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON JANUARY 9, 2023.



John Youngblood
Judge 20th District Court
Milam County, Texas

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At 11:34 o'clock A M

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