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6 **IN THE MARICOPA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT**

7 **IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA, STATE OF ARIZONA**

8 **LAURA OWENS,**

9 Plaintiff

10 vs.

11 **CLAYTON ECHARD,**

12 Defendant

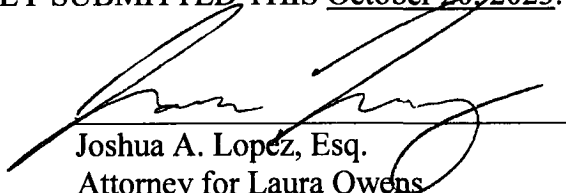
Case Number: FC2023-052771

**MOTION REQUESTING LAURA  
OWENS ATTEND VIRTUALLY OR  
TELEPHONICALLY FOR HEARING  
SCHEDULED OCTOBER 25, 2023**

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15 Laura Owens, by and through undersigned counsel, requests that Laura be able to appear  
16 virtually or telephonically for the Order of Protection Hearing scheduled for October 25, 2023.  
17 Both the relationship between Laura Owens and the Clayton Echard, and this upcoming hearing,  
18 have received a lot of media coverage. News media outlets covering their relationship and court  
19 filings include People, Us! Magazine, Page Six, The Daily Mail, Life & Style, The Sun, and  
20 more. Laura is concerned that Clayton's fans will show up and harass her or become violent.  
21 Laura received hate messages and death threats online from Clayton's fans. Clayton's fans have  
22 told Laura she should kill herself. Laura's abusive ex, Gregory Gillespie, who Laura has an order  
23 of protection against, reached out to Clayton and has subsequently harassed Laura. Laura is  
24 afraid that Gregory will show up to the hearing.  
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1 In addition, Laura is four and a half months pregnant with twins. The whole pregnancy  
2 has been difficult given that Clayton refuses to believe he is the father. Clayton turned the media  
3 and his fans against Laura, and Clayton refuses to act as a father should to their unborn children  
4 and their mother. This has created a great deal of stress for Laura and the pregnancy. Laura  
5 cannot go a day without reading harassing messages either in her emails or online. Laura has  
6 remained inside as much as possible to avoid being harassed or attacked. This is not how anyone  
7 should have to live. Laura will certainly endure added stress and anxiety if she is required to  
8 appear in person. Not only does Laura worry about herself, but Laura worries about her unborn  
9 children as well. For all of those reasons, we request that Laura be able to attend the scheduled  
10 hearing either virtually or telephonically.  
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12 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THIS October 20, 2023.

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