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LAURA OWENS,
Petitioner in Pro Per

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

Case No.: FDV-18-813693

LAURA OWENS,
PETITIONER,

Vs.

MICHAEL MARRACCINI,
RESPONDENT.

**EXPEDITED
REQUEST FOR
RECONSIDERATION OF
MOTION TO CONTINUE**
(Based on Urgent Health Concerns
and Request for Ruling on the
Papers)

Date: October 21 and 22, 2025
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Dept.: 405A

INTRODUCTION

Petitioner Laura Owens respectfully requests reconsideration of the Court's prior denial of her Motion to Continue the Domestic Violence Restraining Order (DVRO) renewal hearing, presently set for October 21–22, 2025.

New, objective medical evidence demonstrates that proceeding as scheduled would pose a “life-threatening” medical risk to Petitioner and deny her the ability to meaningfully participate in these proceedings.

NEW MEDICAL EVIDENCE

Attached as Exhibit A is a letter dated October 17, 2025, from Dr. Colleen Green, a medical provider that Petitioner has been seeing since September 2024. Dr. Green states that participating in a *hearing next week* “*would be life-threatening for her*” because of the combined psychiatric and physical decline. This new evidence, unavailable when the Court previously ruled, directly rebuts any assumption that Petitioner is capable of safely participating in a contested proceeding at this time.

In addition, Petitioner’s other treating medical providers have diagnosed **extreme anorexia** after a **fifty-pound weight loss** (height = 5’5”, weight $\approx$ 84.9 lbs) and she has had **gastrointestinal bleeding**. Her most recent laboratory results from *HonorHealth Medical Group Lab – Thompson Peak* collected **August 7, 2025** show hemoglobin and hematocrit levels **approaching transfusion range**, corroborating the seriousness of her condition.

Following multiple episodes of vomiting blood, Petitioner’s treating physicians advised that **urgent gastrointestinal testing and specialist evaluation were medically necessary**.

Petitioner was referred for a **gastroenterology consultation scheduled for October 22**, which was the **earliest available date** for the required procedures. The overlap with the hearing date is **entirely unavoidable**, as the appointment was made immediately upon referral for a very serious condition. Postponing this appointment could delay essential diagnostics for several weeks and significantly increase the risk of further bleeding, worsening anemia, and medical destabilization.

PROCEDURAL URGENCY AND REQUEST TO RULE ON THE PAPERS

Today is October 17, 2025, and the hearing is scheduled for October 21–22, 2025. The intervening weekend (October 18–19) leaves no business days to notice or calendar an ex parte application. Accordingly, there is no practical opportunity for a hearing or oral argument before the scheduled dates.

Given the medical urgency and the newly submitted documentation, Petitioner respectfully requests that the Court rule on this request on the papers pursuant to its authority under *California Rules of Court, rule 3.1308(a)(1)* and *San Francisco Superior Court Local Rule 8.7*. These provisions authorize the Court to determine matters without oral argument when good cause and exceptional circumstances exist—both of which are present here, as proceeding next week would place Petitioner at a documented, life-threatening medical risk.

GOOD-FAITH BASIS

This request is made in good faith and not for purposes of delay. Petitioner seeks only sufficient time to stabilize medically and safely participate once her treating professionals determine that doing so will not pose a life-threatening risk.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Petitioner respectfully requests that the Court:

1. **Vacate** its prior order denying continuance;
2. **Grant** a reasonable continuance of the DVRO renewal hearing to allow for medical stabilization and recovery; and
3. **Order** any further relief the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: October 17, 2025

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Laura Owens

