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**Building Service Capacity:
Supporting Access to Justice for Aboriginal Women Dealing with Violence**

Legal Information Workshop Exercise

**“TELLING THE STORY”
Protection Orders Exercise**

I am applying for an Order because of the following facts/events:

Version #1:

I am so upset. I just don't know what to do anymore. My common law spouse, John R, is having a really hard time. His baby brother died and now he's off on binges all the time and he shouts at me and hits me and demands money from me. I know he loves me but when he gets like that I'm really scared. He says these terrible things about me in front of our son, Jacob. He's thrown things at me too. Also in front of Jacob. He's really a good person at heart. I know it. He's just going through a really bad time. I love him and want him to get better, but I need to protect myself and my son. I think an EPO will help shake some sense into John. He has threatened to kill Jacob in the past, but I know deep down, even when he's blasted, he would never want to lose Jacob. I think an EPO will help keep John away from us until he sobers up. He's always so sorry when he's sober. He's so ashamed and I think he's scared too. I think it would be good if John didn't have his gun for a while.