

TITLE 8: FAMILY LAW AND PROBATE
DIVISION 1: DOMESTIC RELATIONS

**§ 1924. Registration and Enforcement of Foreign Orders for Protection;
Duties of Court Clerk.**

(a) A certified copy of an order for protection issued in another state may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court. The clerk shall act upon the order in the same manner that the clerk acts upon an order for protection issued by the Superior Court of this Commonwealth.

(b) An order for protection filed in accordance with subsection (1) has the same effect and must be enforced in the same manner as an order for protection issued by a court of this Commonwealth.

(c) The Clerk of the Superior Court shall:

(1) Maintain a registry in which to enter certified orders for protection issued in another U.S. jurisdiction that are received for filing; and

(2) At the request of a court of another U.S. jurisdiction, or at the request of a person who is affected by or has a legitimate interest in an order for protection, certify and forward a copy of the order to that court or person at no cost to the requesting party.

(d) The Superior Court of this Commonwealth shall enforce all provisions of a registered foreign order for protection whether or not such relief is available in the Commonwealth.

Source: PL 12-19, § 2 (214), modified.

Commission Comment: The reference in subsection (b) above to “subsection (1)” appears that it should have logically been a reference to “subsection (a)” instead. Additionally, pursuant to the authority granted by 1 CMC § 3806, the Commission corrected the original reference to “Superior Clerk” in subsection (c) to “Superior Court.”