

COERCIVE CONTROL CODIFICATION MATRIX

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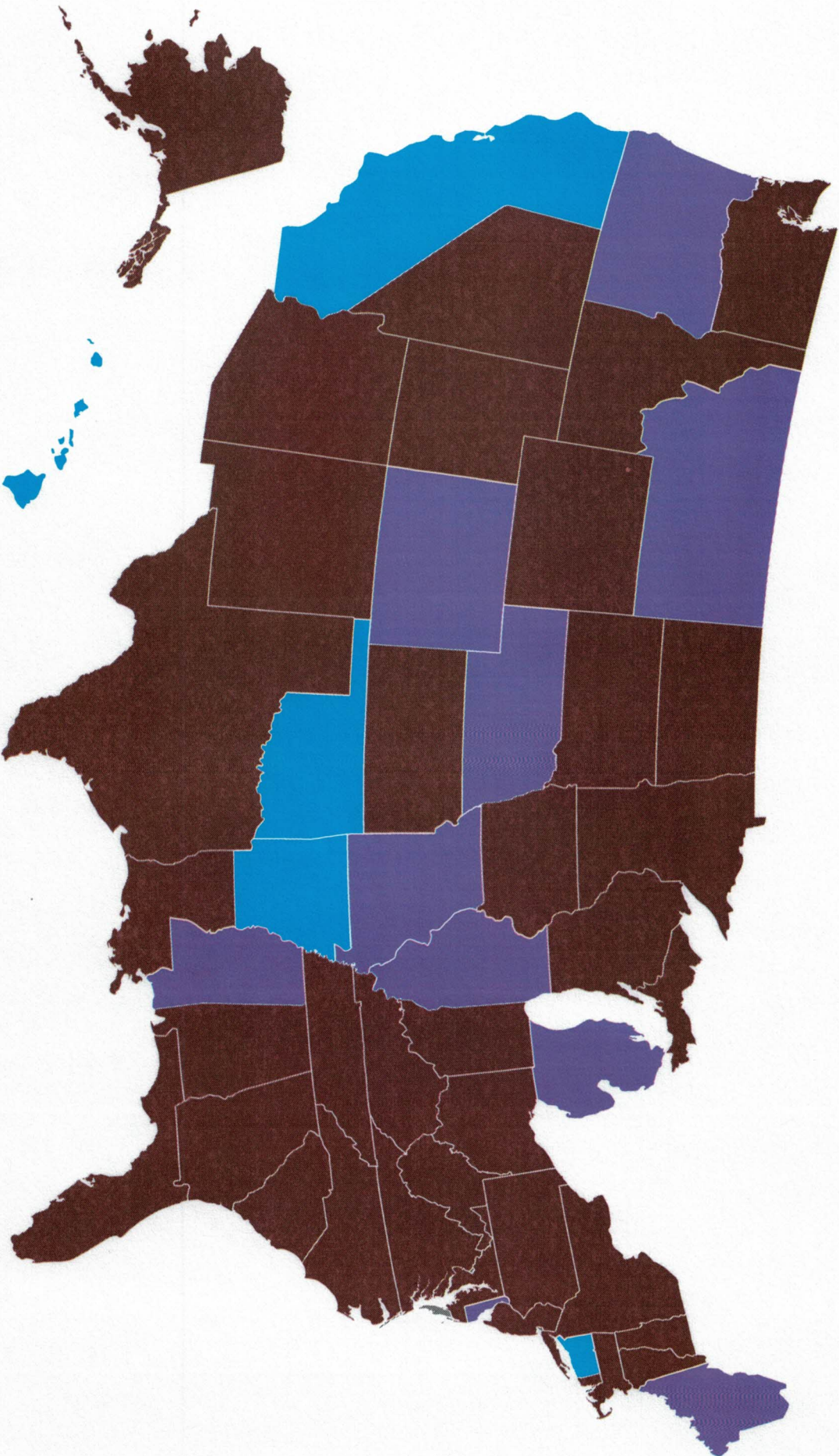


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ALABAMA	No statute found.	
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AMERICAN SAMOA	No statute found	
ARIZONA	No statute found.	
ARKANSAS	Ark. Code Ann. § 9-15-219 "Course of Control."	Protective order.
CALIFORNIA	Cal. Fam. Code § 6320 Cal. Fam. Code § 6220	Protective order. Family Code
COLORADO	C.R.S. 13-14-101 (There is training on coercive control that must be completed by family court mediators. In definition of domestic abuse.) "Domestic abuse" means any act, attempted act, or threatened act of violence, stalking, harassment, or coercion that is committed by any person against another person to whom the actor is currently or was formerly related, or with whom the actor is living or has lived in the same domicile, or with whom the actor is involved or has been involved in an intimate relationship.	Protective order. Family Code

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CONNECTICUT	Conn. Gen. Stat. § PA21-78	Protective order. Family Code.
DELAWARE	Del. Code Ann. tit. 10, § 1041 Engaging in a course of alarming or distressing conduct in a manner which is likely to cause fear or emotional distress or to provoke a violent or disorderly response;	Protective order.
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	D.C. Code §16-4015. Coercive or violent relationship. This is only in collaborative law.	Family Code
FLORIDA	No statute found.	
GEORGIA	No statute found.	
GUAM	No statute found.	
HAWAII	Haw. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 586-1	Protective Order.
IDAHO	No statute found.	
ILLINOIS	750 Ill. Comp. Stat. Ann. 60/103 is similar to coercive control (9) "Interference with personal liberty" means committing or threatening physical abuse, harassment, intimidation or willful deprivation so as to compel another to engage in conduct from which she or he has a right to abstain or to refrain from conduct in which she or he has a right to engage.	
INDIANA	No statute found	
IOWA	No statute found.	

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LOUISIANA	No statute found.	
MAINE	<p>Me. Rev. Stat. tit. 19-A, § 4002</p> <p>Compelling a person by force, threat of force or intimidation to engage in conduct from which the person has a right or privilege to abstain or to abstain from conduct in which the person has a right to engage.</p>	Protective order
MARYLAND	No statute found.	
MASSACHUSETTS	No statute found.	
MICHIGAN	<p>Mich. Comp. Laws Serv. § 600.2950</p> <p>(f) Interfering with petitioner's efforts to remove petitioner's children or personal property from premises that are solely owned or leased by the individual to be restrained or enjoined.</p> <p>(g) Interfering with petitioner at petitioner's place of employment or education or engaging in conduct that impairs petitioner's employment or educational relationship or environment.</p> <p>Mich. Comp. Laws Serv. § 600.1035</p> <p>(2) In a domestic relations mediation, the mediator shall make reasonable inquiry as to whether either party has a history of a coercive or violent relationship with the other party. A reasonable inquiry includes the use of the domestic violence screening protocol for mediation provided by the state court administrative office as directed by the supreme court.</p>	Protective order. Family Code.
MINNESOTA	No statute found.	

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MISSISSIPPI	<p>Miss. Code Ann. § 93-21-125 DV Shelter Statute</p> <p>(c) "Domestic violence" means any alleged misdemeanor or felony act of domestic violence as defined by Section 99-3-7, knowing violation of a domestic abuse protection order under Section 93-21-21, or incidence of abuse as defined by Section 93-21-3(a), whether or not a civil or criminal action arises as a result of the alleged violation. The term "domestic violence" also includes any pattern of behavior or coercive control resulting in physical, emotional or psychological harm to a victim committed by a spouse or former spouse of the victim, a person with whom the victim lives or lived as a spouse, a person related as parent, child, grandparent, grandchild, or someone similarly situated to the victim, a person having a child in common with the victim, or a person with whom the victim has or had a dating relationship.</p> <p>Miss. Code Ann. § 93-21-125</p>	
MISSOURI	<p>Mo. Rev. Stat. § 455.010</p> <p>(d) "Coercion", compelling another by force or threat of force to engage in conduct from which the latter has a right to abstain or to abstain from conduct in which the person has a right to engage.</p>	Protective order. Family Code.
MONTANA	<p>Mont. Code Ann. § 45-5-203</p> <p>(1) A person may file a petition for an order of protection if:</p> <p>(b) the petitioner is a victim of one of the following offenses committed by a partner or family member:</p> <p>(iii) intimidation as defined in 45-5-203.</p> <p>45-5-203 Intimidation.</p> <p>(1) A person commits the offense of intimidation when, with the purpose to cause another to perform or to omit the performance of any act, the person communicates to another, under circumstances that reasonably tend to produce a fear that it will be carried out, a threat to perform without lawful authority any of the following acts:</p> <p>(a) inflict physical harm on the person threatened or any other person.</p> <p>(b) subject any person to physical confinement or restraint; or</p> <p>(c) commit any felony.</p>	Protective order.

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NEBRASKA	<p>R.R.S. Neb. § 43-2922.</p> <p>"Domestic intimate partner abuse means an act of abuse as defined in section 42-903 and a pattern or history of abuse evidenced by one or more of the following acts: Physical or sexual assault, threats of physical assault or sexual assault, stalking, harassment, mental cruelty, emotional abuse, intimidation, isolation, economic abuse, or coercion against any current or past intimate partner, or an abuser using a child to establish or maintain power and control over any current or past intimate partner, and, when they contribute to the coercion or intimidation of an intimate partner, acts of child abuse or neglect or threats of such acts, cruel mistreatment or cruel neglect of an animal as defined in section 28-1008, or threats of such acts, and other acts of abuse, assault, or harassment, or threats of such acts against other family or household members." R.R.S. Neb. § 43-2922.</p>	Family code.
NEVADA	No statute found.	
NEW HAMPSHIRE	No statute found.	
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NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS	No statute found.	
OHIO	No statute found.	
OKLAHOMA	Okla. Stat. tit. 43, § 109(l)(2)(a) <p>“Domestic violence’ means the threat of the infliction of physical injury, any act of physical harm or the creation of a reasonable fear thereof, or the intentional infliction of emotional distress by a parent or a present or former member of the household of the child, against the child or another member of the household, including coercive control by a parent involving physical, sexual, psychological, emotional, economic or financial abuse.” Okla. Stat. tit. 43, § 109(l)(2)(a)</p>	Family code
OREGON	ORS 107 s 705, including protection orders and family (custody) includes a provision prohibiting “molestation”: “to act, with hostile intent or injurious effect, in a manner that would reasonably be expected to annoy, disturb or persecute a person in the petitioner’s position.”	Protective order. Family Code.
PENNSYLVANIA	No statute found.	
PUERTO RICO	8 L.P.R.A. § 602 <p>“Domestic Abuse shall mean a constant pattern of conduct involving physical force or psychological abuse, intimidation or persecution against a person by his/her spouse, former spouse, a person with whom he/she cohabits or has cohabited, with whom he/she has or has had a consensual relationship, or a person with whom he/she shares a child in common, regardless of the sex, civil status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or the immigrant status of the persons involved in the relationship, to physically harm them, their property, or another person, or to cause him/her serious emotional harm.” 8 L.P.R.A. § 602(p).</p>	Protective order. Family Code.
RHODE ISLAND	No statute found.	
SOUTH CAROLINA	No statute found.	

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TEXAS	No statute found.	
UTAH	No statute found.	
VERMONT	No statute found.	
U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS	No statute found.	
VIRGINIA	No statute found.	
WASHINGTON	Wash. Rev. Code Ann. § 7.105.902. Coercive control has not been defined, but a 2021 law (HB 1320) has mandated the assessment of how the protection order law can better address coercive control.	Protective order
WEST VIRGINIA	No statute found.	
WISCONSIN	No statute found.	
WYOMING	No statute found.	



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