

# HOW TO OBJECT TO A COURT PETITION ABOUT EMANCIPATION OF A MINOR

**1. WHO CAN FILE AN OBJECTION?**

Generally, you must have some valid interest in the case to be able to file an OBJECTION TO A PETITION about emancipation. If you received copies of the court papers from the Petitioner or his/her attorney, you will probably be allowed to file an Objection.

**2. IF YOU CHOOSE TO FILE AN OBJECTION, WHEN SHOULD IT BE FILED?**

You must file the Objection with the Clerk of the Court no later than thirty (30) days after you received the court papers.

**3. WHO GETS COPIES OF THE OBJECTION?** Mail or hand-deliver a copy of your Objection to the Petitioner or his/her attorney. Also make sure you mail or hand-deliver the original Objection to the Clerk's Office where the Petition was filed.

You may file your Objection at any of the following Superior Court locations:

**Clerk of Superior Court**  
**415 E. Spring St.**  
**Kingman, AZ 86401**  
**(928) 753-0713**  
Monday-Friday  
8:00a-5:00p

**Clerk of Superior Court**  
**2225 Trane Road**  
**Bullhead City, AZ 86442**  
**(928) 758-0730**  
Monday-Friday  
8:30a-12:00p, 1:30p-4:30p

**Clerk of Superior Court**  
**2001 College Drive**  
**Lake Havasu City, AZ 86404**  
**(928) 453-0701**  
Monday-Friday  
8:30a-12:00p, 1:30p-4:30p

You should also mail or hand-deliver copies to everyone else to whom the petitioner identified on the petition.

**4. WHAT TO SAY IN THE OBJECTION?**

Tell the judge as simply as you can what you object to, and why. Write neatly in black ink, and be sure you give enough detail about why you disagree with the Petition.

**5. GOING TO THE HEARING:**

If you file the Objection, you should go to the Court hearing to be available to tell the judge why you disagree with the Petition and to answer any questions the judge might have. It is up to the judge to let you testify or not. The judge will make this decision based upon your relationship with the minor, the nature of your objections, time available, and other factors.