

Juvenile Court Petition

- Legal document used to initiate court proceedings
- Filed under the Juvenile Act
- Petitions may cite the CPSL, alleging abuse
- Only CYIS may file a dependency petition unless the court grants special permission.

Juvenile Court Petition (continued)

- Protective custody requires filing a petition within 24 hours
- Agencies may file a petition whenever action is needed
- Procedures for filing a petition vary among agencies