

CAUSE NUMBER: 2026-46609

IN THE MATTER OF THE
MARRIAGE/INTEREST OF:
STEWART, NATALIE AKA
NATALIE M STEWART
vs.
MATTHEWS, CANDACE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF

HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

246th JUDICIAL DISTRICT

ORDER

On August 31, 2026, after hearing the evidence and argument of counsel and Applicant, the Court finds that Natalie Stewart, Applicant, has failed to show by a preponderance of the evidence that on more than one occasion and pursuant to the same scheme or course of conduct that is directed at Natalie Stewart, Respondent Candice Matthews knowingly engaged in conduct that:

(1) constitutes an offense under Section 42.07, or that Candice Matthews knew or reasonably should have known Natalie Stewart would regard as threatening:

(A) bodily injury or death for Natalie Stewart; ?or

(B) that an offense will be committed against:

(i) a member of Natalie Stewart's family or household;

(ii) an individual with whom Natalie Stewart has a dating relationship; ?or

(iii) Natalie Stewart's property;

(2) causes Natalie Stewart, a member of Natalie Stewart's family or household, or an individual with whom Natalie Stewart has a dating relationship:

(A) to be placed in fear of bodily injury or death or in fear that an offense will be committed against Natalie Stewart, a member of Natalie Stewart's family or household, or an individual with whom Natalie Stewart has a dating relationship, or Natalie Stewart's property; ?or

(B) to feel harassed, terrified, intimidated, annoyed, alarmed, abused, tormented, embarrassed, or offended; and

(3) would cause a reasonable person under circumstances similar to the circumstances of Natalie Stewart to:

(A) fear bodily injury or death for the person;

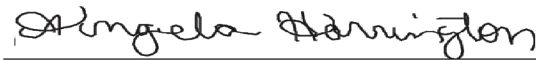
(B) fear that an offense will be committed against a member of the person's family or household or an individual with whom the person has a dating relationship;

(C) fear that an offense will be committed against the person's property; or

(D) feel harassed, terrified, intimidated, annoyed, alarmed, abused, tormented, embarrassed, or offended.

Therefore, the Court denies Applicant's application for a protective order.

Signed and entered this day: August 31, 2026

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Angela Harrington", written in black ink.

Judge Angela Harrington
246th District Court