

What happens after a defendant is found guilty/pleads guilty OR Found guilty/charges are dismissed?

Defendant Found guilty/pleads guilty

Court orders a pre-sentence investigation (PSI) done by probation

If you don't speak English, probation officer can access an interpreter

Probation will contact you for your input on domestic abuse history, desire for contact and sentence

If you are in Safe At Home Program you can give the probation officer your post office box mailing address

Probation writes a PSI that includes

- Official version of crime
- Prior criminal history
- Social history
- Drug and alcohol background
- Victim statement
- History of domestic violence
- Recommendations for sentence

Defendant Found guilty/pleads guilty (cont.)

Your views go into confidential section of report

Note: although confidential section of PSI is not supposed to be shared with defendant, it is shared with defense attorney

PSI writer will confirm date, time of place of sentencing

You can be present at sentencing and present a victim impact statement that defendant can read or hear

After PSI presented, offender is sentenced

If offender placed on probation, supervising probation officer will be assigned to case within 3-5 business days

Supervising probation officer:

- Sends you letter with his/her contact information

- Monitors offender's behavior

At any point you can contact St. Paul & Ramsey County Domestic Abuse Intervention Project, 651-645-2824, to speak with a confidential advocate.

**Defendant found not guilty
or charges are dismissed**



If defendant is in jail, they will be released

Any conditions related to this criminal charge
are no longer in effect

The court ordered Domestic Abuse No Contact Order
related to this criminal charge is dismissed

And there will be no more court dates for this criminal charge