

(d) If an adoption or guardianship with the right to consent to adoption or long-term care short of adoption is ordered by the equity court, as to a child previously adjudicated to be a child in need of assistance, a neglected child, an abused child, or a dependent child, the jurisdiction of a juvenile court with regard to these issues is terminated.†

~~1-203.-~~

~~(a) In an action for alimony, annulment, or divorce, [an equity court] THE FAMILY COURT:~~

~~(1) has all the powers of a court of equity; and~~

~~(2) may issue an injunction to protect any party to the action from physical harm or harassment.~~

~~(b) Unless the court expressly provides otherwise, the filing of an action for an annulment, a limited divorce, or an absolute divorce does not constitute lis pendens with respect to any property of a party.~~

~~(c) In an action for alimony, annulment, or divorce, a final decree may not be entered except on oral testimony by the plaintiff in a hearing before an examiner or a master or in open court.~~

~~(d) [An equity court] THE FAMILY COURT shall hear and determine a case for alimony in as full and ample a manner as a case for alimony could be heard and determined by the Ecclesiastical Courts of England.~~

~~4-501.-~~

~~(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated:~~

~~(b) (1) "Abuse" means any of the following acts:~~

~~(i) an act that causes serious bodily harm;~~

~~(ii) an act that places a person eligible for relief in fear of imminent serious bodily harm;~~

~~(iii) battery or assault and battery;~~

~~(iv) rape or sexual offense as defined by Article 27, §§ 462 through 464C or attempted rape or sexual offense;~~

~~(v) false imprisonment;~~

~~(vi) abuse of a child, as defined in Title 5, Subtitle 7 of this article; or~~

~~(vii) abuse of a vulnerable adult.~~

~~(2) Nothing in this subtitle shall be construed to prohibit reasonable punishment, including reasonable corporal punishment, in light of the age and condition of the child, from being performed by a parent or stepparent of the child.~~