# STATE OF MICHIGAN JUDICIAL DISTRICT

## AFFIDAVIT AND CLAIM Small Claims

**CASE NO. and JUDGE** 

Court address Court telephone no.

ee additional notice and instructions on page 2.	NOTICE OF HEARING			
Plaintiff	For Court Use Only			
	The plaintiff and the defendant must be in court on			
Address	· ·			
City, state, zip Telephone no.	Day Date			
	at at			
Defendant	1 Ime			
Address	Location			
Other state of the	Fee paid: \$			
City, state, zip Telephone no.	Process server's name			
3. A civil action between these parties or other parties a	rising out of the transaction or occurrence alleged in this			
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complaint has been previously filed in $\Box$ this cour	tCour			
It was given case number	and assigned to Judge			
The action ☐ remains ☐ is no longer pen	ding.			
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I have knowledge or belief about all the facts stated in the plaintiff or his/her guardian, conservator, or next fri				
The plaintiff is $\square$ an individual. $\square$ a partnership. $\square$	□ a corporation. □ a sole proprietor. □			
The defendant is $\square$ an individual. $\square$ a partnership. $\square$	$\square$ a corporation. $\square$ a sole proprietor. $\square$			
The date(s) the claim arose is/are Attach separate sheets if n				
•	Note: Plaintiff's costs are determined by the court and awarded as appropriate They are not part of the amount claimed.)			
The reasons for the claim are:				
0. The plaintiff understands and accepts that the claim is li	mited to \$7,000 by law and that the plaintiff gives up the rights t			

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11. I believe the defendant $\ \square$ is $\ \square$ is not mentally compolder.	betent. I believe the defendant $\square$ is $\square$ is not 18 years or				
12.  ☐ I do not know whether the defendant is in the military service. ☐ The defendant is not in the military service. ☐ The defendant is in the military service.					
	Signature				
Subscribed and sworn to before me on					
	Deputy clerk/Notary public signature				
My commission expires on	Name (type or print)				
Notary public, State of Michigan, County of	,				

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#### **ADDITIONAL NOTICE AND INSTRUCTIONS**

#### TO BOTH THE PLAINTIFF AND THE DEFENDANT:

Affidavit and Claim, Small Claims (1/24)

- You must bring to the hearing all witnesses, books, papers, and other physical evidence needed to prove or disprove this
  claim.
- · Before the trial (hearing) starts, you have the right to
  - 1. remove the case to the general civil division of the district court, or
  - 2. have the case heard by a district court judge (if the hearing is scheduled before an attorney magistrate). If the case is heard by an attorney magistrate, you may appeal to the district judge within 7 days after the trial.
- If the case is tried in the small claims division, you give up the right to an attorney, to a jury trial, and to appeal the judge's decision.

If you require accommodations to use the court because of a disability or if you require a foreign language interpreter to help you fully participate in court proceedings, please contact the court immediately to make arrangements.

### TO THE DEFENDANT:

- The affidavit and claim you have just received means you are being sued in the small claims division of the district court.
- The court is being asked to decide a matter that the plaintiff says is your obligation and responsibility.
- If you wish to deny this claim or arrange terms of payment, you must make your request by appearing at the date, time, and place stated in the notice of hearing on the front of this form.
- If you do not appear at the date, time, and place stated, a default judgment may be entered against you for the amount stated in item 8, including the costs of this action.
- If the dispute is settled before or at the hearing, you may have to pay the plaintiff's costs.
- In case a judgment is entered against you at the hearing, you should be prepared to pay the amount stated in item 8, including the costs of this action, or to make arrangements for installment payments.

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### PROOF OF SERVICE

**TO PROCESS SERVER:** You must serve the affidavit and claim no later than 7 days before the hearing date and file proof of service with the court clerk. If you are unable to complete service, you must return this original and all copies to the court clerk.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE / NONSERVICE						
	defendant's ag	ent (copy of ret	or certified mail, retu turn receipt attached	urn receipt requested, and delivery restricted to the d) a copy of the affidavit and claim, together with		
☐ I have attempted to serve a copy of the affidavit and claim, together with the attachments listed below, and have been unable to complete service on:						
Name				Date and time of service		
Place or address of servi	ce					
Attachments (if any)						
<ul> <li>□ I am a sheriff, deputy sheriff, bailiff, appointed court officer or attorney for a party.</li> <li>□ I am a legally competent adult who is not a party or an officer of a corporate party. I declare under the penalties of perjury that this certificate of service has been examined by me and that its contents are true to the best of my information, knowledge, and belief.</li> </ul>						
Service fee \$	Miles traveled	Fee  \$		Signature		
Incorrect address fee \$	Miles traveled	Fee \$	TOTAL FEE \$	Name (type or print)		
ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SERVICE						
I acknowledge that I have received service of a copy of the affidavit and claim, together with						
Attachments (if any)				On  Date and time		
Signature			on behalf of			
Name (type or print)			_			