

**JUSTICE COURT
EVICITION ACTION
REPLY TO COUNTERCLAIM**

If you want to file a Reply to a Counterclaim in an ...

EVICITION ACTION (FORCIBLE DETAINER/SPECIAL DETAINER)

If you are contesting the allegations made in a Counterclaim, you are required to file a formal written REPLY to the Counterclaim. The allegations of the Counterclaim and your Reply will be considered and decided at the time of trial.

There is no fee to file a reply to counterclaim.

FAILURE TO FILE A REPLY COULD RESULT IN A DEFAULT JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU.

Please STOP...

- If you have not received an Eviction Action (Forcible Detainer) Counterclaim
- If your court appearance date has passed or if judgment has been entered.

Please PROCEED...

- If you are replying to a counterclaim within the prescribed time period. The reply should be filed prior to the scheduled court date.

FORMS Needed:

- Reply to Counterclaim form

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Complete the Reply form.
2. File the completed Reply form with the court clerk, before the scheduled court date/time.
3. Deliver a copy of the Reply to Counterclaim to the defendant (tenant) as instructed by the court clerk.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT ALL PARTIES KEEP THE COURT APPRISED OF ANY CHANGE IN ADDRESS - A NOTICE OF CHANGE OF ADDRESS form must be filed with the court when a party changes their address.