

ANSWER TO COUNTERCLAIM INSTRUCTIONS

If you want to file an ANSWER TO A CIVIL CASE COUNTERCLAIM.

A counterclaim is a claim made by the Defendant against the Plaintiff. If the Defendant files a counterclaim, you (the Plaintiff, *counter-Defendant*) have **TWENTY (20) calendar days** from the date received in which to file an **Answer to Counterclaim**.

There is no fee to file an answer to a counterclaim.

A DEFAULT JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED FOR FAILURE TO ANSWER THE COUNTERCLAIM

Please STOP...

- If you have not received a counterclaim.
- If your time to answer has expired and there has already been a judgment rendered.

Please PROCEED...

- If you are within the time allowed for filing an Answer to Counterclaim.

FORMS Needed:

- Answer to Counterclaim.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Complete the form and make copies. The court will require an original and you may wish to keep a copy; additionally, each named Defendant will need a copy of your answer.
2. File (or mail) the original form with the court clerk.
3. Mail or deliver copies to the Defendant(s) or the attorney(s) for the Defendant(s).

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.

Person Filing: _____
Address (if not protected): _____
City, State, Zip Code: _____
Telephone: _____
Email Address: _____
Representing [] Self or [] Lawyer for _____
Lawyer's Bar Number: _____

For Clerk's Use Only

YUMA JUSTICE COURT OF ARIZONA

250 W. 2nd St., Ste A, Yuma, AZ 85364 Ph: (928) 817-4100 Fax: (928) 817-4101

Case Number: _____

**ANSWER TO COUNTERCLAIM
(CIVIL)**

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vs.

() _____

Plaintiff(s) Name / Address / Phone /
Email

Defendant(s) Name / Address / Phone /
Email

1. The above-named Plaintiff(s) answers Defendant's Counterclaim as follows:
2. I admit the following portion(s) of Defendant's Counterclaim: _____

3. I deny the following portion(s) of Defendant's Counterclaim: _____

4. I do not have enough knowledge to admit or deny the following portion(s) of Defendant's Counterclaim: _____

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5. I am asking the court to deny Defendant's Counterclaim. Defendant(s) is not entitled to judgment on the Counterclaim because: _____

6. I am also asking for reimbursement of my court costs and/or attorneys' fees.

7. I state under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date

Plaintiff(s) Signature

Plaintiff(s) Title

I CERTIFY that a copy of this document will be provided by:

hand-delivery first-class mail electronic means on _____
to _____

Date

Plaintiff(s) Signature

Plaintiff(s) Title