

<b>STATE OF ILLINOIS, CIRCUIT COURT</b>  _____ COUNTY	<b>SUMMONS PETITION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE/CIVIL UNION</b>	For Court Use Only
<b>Instructions ▼</b> Directly above, enter the county where you filed this case. Enter your name as Petitioner. Enter the name of your spouse/partner as Respondent. Enter the Case Number given by the Circuit Clerk.	_____ <b>Petitioner</b> (First, middle, last name)  v.  _____ <b>Respondent</b> (First, middle, last name)	_____ <b>Case Number</b>

**To Respondent:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Street, Apt # \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

You are summoned and required to file an answer to the *Petition for Dissolution of Marriage/Civil Union* in this case, a copy of which is attached, or otherwise file your appearance in the office of the Clerk of this Court, \_\_\_\_\_

County

\_\_\_\_\_ Illinois, within 30 days after service of this *Summons*, not counting the day of service.

City

IF YOU FAIL TO DO SO, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE *PETITION*. YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED THAT A DISSOLUTION ACTION STAY IS IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT UPON SERVICE OF THIS *SUMMONS*. THE CONDITIONS OF THE STAY ARE SET FORTH ON PAGE 4 OF THIS *SUMMONS*. **ANY PERSON WHO FAILS TO OBEY THE DISSOLUTION ACTION STAY MAY BE SUBJECT TO PUNISHMENT FOR CONTEMPT.**

**Attention:** E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp> or talk with your local circuit clerk's office.

**To the Officer:** This *Summons* must be returned by the Officer or other person to whom it was given for service, with endorsement of service and fees, if any, immediately after service. If service cannot be made, this *Summons* shall be returned so endorsed. This *Summons* may not be served later than 30 days after its date.

**DO NOT** complete.

(Seal of Court)

WITNESS \_\_\_\_\_

Signature

Clerk of the \_\_\_\_\_ Judicial Circuit, and the seal thereof, at \_\_\_\_\_ Illinois

Dated \_\_\_\_\_

Prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Circuit Clerk

Enter your name, address, and phone number. If you do not want your spouse to know your address because of domestic violence, you may use another address. That address must be one at which you can receive mail about the case.

**DO NOT** complete. The sheriff will complete this after serving *Summons*.

**Date of Service:** \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_

**DO NOT** complete.  
The sheriff will  
complete this after  
serving *Summons*.

### RETURN OF SERVICE

I certify that I served this *Summons* on Respondent as follows:

- By leaving a copy of the *Petition* with each individual personally;
  
- By leaving a copy of the *Petition* at the usual place of abode of the Respondent with a person of the Respondent's family or a person residing there, of the age of 13 years or upwards, informing that person of the contents of the *Summons* and also by sending a copy of the *Summons* in a sealed envelope with postage fully prepaid, addressed to the Respondent at the Respondent's place of abode;

**OR**

- Other service: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Respondent: \_\_\_\_\_  
*First Middle Last*

Name of Person *Summons* given to: \_\_\_\_\_  
*First Middle Last*

Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ Race: \_\_\_\_\_ Approx. Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Service: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Mailing: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, Sheriff of \_\_\_\_\_ County

By \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy

<b>STATE OF ILLINOIS, CIRCUIT COURT</b>  _____ COUNTY	<b>SUMMONS PETITION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE/CIVIL UNION (COPY FOR RESPONDENT)</b>	For Court Use Only
Instructions ▼	_____ <b>Petitioner</b> (First, middle, last name)  v.  _____ <b>Respondent</b> (First, middle, last name)	_____ <b>Case Number</b>
Directly above, enter the county where you filed this case.		
Enter your name as Petitioner.		
Enter the name of your spouse/partner as Respondent.		
Enter the Case Number given by the Circuit Clerk.		

**To Respondent:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Street, Apt # \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip

You are summoned and required to file an answer to the *Petition for Dissolution of Marriage/Civil Union* in this case, a copy of which is attached, or otherwise file your appearance in the office of the Clerk of this Court, \_\_\_\_\_ County

\_\_\_\_\_ Illinois, within 30 days after service of this *Summons*, not counting the day of service.

City

IF YOU FAIL TO DO SO, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE *PETITION*. YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED THAT A DISSOLUTION ACTION STAY IS IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT UPON SERVICE OF THIS *SUMMONS*. THE CONDITIONS OF THE STAY ARE SET FORTH ON PAGE 4 OF THIS *SUMMONS*. **ANY PERSON WHO FAILS TO OBEY THE DISSOLUTION ACTION STAY MAY BE SUBJECT TO PUNISHMENT FOR CONTEMPT.**

**Attention:** E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp> or talk with your local circuit clerk's office.

**To the Officer:** This *Summons* must be returned by the Officer or other person to whom it was given for service, with endorsement of service and fees, if any, immediately after service. If service cannot be made, this *Summons* shall be returned so endorsed. This *Summons* may not be served later than 30 days after its date.

**DO NOT** complete.

(Seal of Court)

WITNESS \_\_\_\_\_

Signature

Clerk of the \_\_\_\_\_ Judicial Circuit, and the seal thereof, at \_\_\_\_\_ Illinois

Dated \_\_\_\_\_

Prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Circuit Clerk

Enter your name, address, and phone number. If you do not want your spouse to know your address because of domestic violence, you may use another address. That address must be one at which you can receive mail about the case.

**DO NOT** complete. The sheriff will complete this after serving *Summons*.

**Date of Service:** \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

## CONDITIONS OF DISSOLUTION ACTION STAY

### 750 ILCS 5/501.1

- (a) Upon service of a summons and petition or praecipe filed under the Illinois Marriage and Dissolution of Marriage Act or upon the filing of the respondent's appearance in the proceeding, whichever first occurs, a dissolution action stay shall be in effect against both parties, without bond or further notice, until a final judgement is entered, the proceeding is dismissed, or until further order of the court:
- (1) restraining both parties from physically abusing, harassing, intimidating, striking, or interfering with the personal liberty of the other party or the minor children of either party;  
and
  - (2) restraining both parties from concealing a minor child of either party from the child's other parent. The restraint provided in this subsection (a) does not operate to make unavailable any of the remedies provided in the Illinois Domestic Violence Act of 1986.
- (b) (Blank).
- (c) (Blank).
- (d) (Blank).
- (e) In a proceeding filed under this Act, the summons shall provide notice of the entry of the automatic dissolution action stay in a form as required by applicable rules.