IN THE _____ JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, _____ COUNTY, MISSOURI

Judge or Division:	**Case Number:**	
Plaintiff(s): 1. 2. vs.		(Date File Stamp)
	Plaintiff's Address (No.1):	Defendant's Address (No.1):
	City, State, Zip:	City, State, Zip:
Defendant(s): 1. 2.	Telephone Number:	Telephone Number:
	Plaintiff's Address (No.2):	Defendant's Address (No.2):
	City, State, Zip:	City, State, Zip:
	Telephone Number:	Telephone Number:

Counterclaim Small Claims Court

Defendant states he/she has a claim against Plaintiff in the amount of $ _____. The counterclaim arose on or about _____ (date) as a result of the following events:

☐ Counterclaim Arising Out of the Same Transaction

Defendant states that the information contained in the counterclaim is true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge. Defendant understands that should he/she be successful in this action and obtain judgment, and if Plaintiff does not appeal within ten days, this judgment becomes final. Defendant cannot commence another action involving the same parties and issues. Defendant understands that he/she is waiving his/her right to jury trial on these issues in the small claims court.

☐ Counterclaim Not Arising Out of the Same Transaction

In addition to the above, Defendant claims that he/she is not an assignee of this counterclaim, and that to the best of his/her knowledge he/she has not filed more than 12 other claims in Missouri small claims courts during the current calendar year.

_____   _____
Date   Signature of Defendant

Keep a copy of this counterclaim and bring it to court.

Instructions

1. By using this form, Defendant is countersuing you.

2. To defend yourself:

    a. You must appear at the date and time set for hearing.
    b. You should bring with you all books, papers, witnesses, and evidence you have to establish your defense.
    c. At your request, the clerk will issue a subpoena for any witness you may need. You must order the subpoena as soon as possible and before the hearing date.

3. The rules of evidence do not apply, and you may defend this action with or without the assistance of an attorney.