

STATE OF TENNESSEE 16th JUDICIAL DISTRICT CHANCERY COURT	<h1>SUMMONS</h1>	CASE FILE NUMBER
PLAINTIFF	DEFENDANT	
vs.		
TO: (NAME & ADDRESS OF DEFENDANT)		
<p>List each defendant on a separate summons.</p> <p><b>YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO DEFEND A CIVIL ACTION FILED AGAINST YOU IN CHANCERY COURT, RUTHERFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE. YOUR DEFENSE MUST BE MADE WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS FROM THE DATE THIS SUMMONS IS SERVED UPON YOU. YOU ARE DIRECTED TO FILE YOUR DEFENSE WITH THE CLERK OF THE COURT AND SEND A COPY TO THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY AT THE ADDRESS LISTED BELOW. IF YOU FAIL TO DEFEND THIS ACTION BY THE ABOVE DATE, JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT CAN BE RENDERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF SOUGHT IN THE COMPLAINT.</b></p>		
Attorney for plaintiff:  (Name, address & telephone number)	DATE ISSUED & ATTESTED  JOHN A. W. BRATCHER, Clerk & Master BY:  Deputy Clerk & Master	
<b>NOTICE OF DISPOSITION DATE</b>		
To expedite cases, the Court may take reasonable measures to purge the docket of old cases where the cases have been dormant without cause shown for an extended time.		
<b>CERTIFICATION</b>		
I, John A. W. Bratcher, Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Rutherford County, Tennessee, do certify this to be a true and correct copy of the original summons issued in this cause. JOHN A. W. BRATCHER, CLERK AND MASTER.		
BY: _____ DEPUTY C & M		
<b>TO THE SHERIFF:</b>  Please execute this summons and make your return within thirty days of issuance as provided by law.	<b>DATE RECEIVED</b>  Sheriff	

**RETURN ON PERSONAL SERVICE OF SUMMONS**

I hereby certify and return that I served this summons together with the complaint as follows:

DATE OF PERSONAL SERVICE

By: Sheriff

**ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE**

I do hereby accept service of process and a copy of this complaint in this cause for all purposes. This the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_.

**RETURN ON SERVICE OF SUMMONS BY MAIL**

I hereby certify and return that on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_, I sent, postage prepaid by registered return receipt mail or certified return receipt mail, a certified copy of the summons and a copy of the complaint in case # \_\_\_\_\_ to the defendant \_\_\_\_\_, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_. I received the return receipt, which has been signed by \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_. The return receipt is attached to this original summons to be filed by the Chancery Court Clerk & Master.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.  
Signature of  Notary Public or  Deputy Clerk

Signature of plaintiff, plaintiff's attorney or other person authorized by statute to serve process.

My Commission Expires:

**NOTICE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY EXEMPTION**

TO THE DEFENDANT(S):  
Tennessee law provides a ten thousand dollar (\$10,000.00) debtor's equity interest personal property exemption from execution or seizure to satisfy judgement. If a judgment should be entered against you in this action and you wish to claim property as exempt, you must file a written list, under oath, of the items you wish to claim as exempt with the clerk of the court. The list may be filed at any time and may be changed by you thereafter as necessary; however, unless it is filed before the judgment becomes final, it will not be effective as to any execution or garnishment issued prior to the filing of the list. Certain items are automatically exempt by law and do not need to be listed; these include items of necessary wearing apparel (clothing) for yourself and your family and trunks or other receptacles necessary to contain such apparel, family portraits, the family Bible, and school books. Should any of these items be seized you would have the right to recover them. If you do not understand your exemption right or how to exercise it, you may wish to seek the counsel of a lawyer.

Mail list to: Clerk & Master  
Suite 5101, Judicial Center  
116 West Lytle Street  
Murfreesboro, TN 37130

Please state file number on list.

ATTACH  
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HERE  
(IF APPLICABLE)