

# SUMMONS, COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE AND NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

Vermont Family Court	County	Docket Number
Plaintiff's Name		Defendant's Name
VS.		
Street Address		Street Address
Town/City	State	Zip Code
Town/City	State	Zip Code

## SUMMONS

To the above-named Defendant:

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon the Plaintiff at the address listed above an Answer to the attached Complaint that has been served upon you.

You must also file a copy of your Answer with the Court at the following address:

Name and Address of the Court

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**You must answer this summons within twenty (20) days of the date of service.**

If you fail to answer the Complaint within twenty days, a **Default Judgment** may be entered against you and the Court may grant the relief demanded by the plaintiff in the Complaint.

Under most circumstances, your answer must state as a counterclaim any related claim which you may have against the plaintiff, or you will thereafter be barred from making such claim in any other action.

Court Clerk	Date
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## COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE

- (a) Plaintiff resides in

Town/City	County	State
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(b) ☐ Plaintiff has resided in Vermont continuously until the present day since

Date
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- (a) Defendant resides in

Town/City	County	State
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(b) ☐ Defendant has resided in Vermont continuously until the present day since

Date
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- Plaintiff and Defendant were married on

Date
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at

Town/City	State
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- The parties own the following property singly or jointly:

5. The following actions for divorce, annulment, abuse prevention or separate support have been brought previously by either party against the other ☐ None, or:

( ☐ A certified copy of the complaint and docket entries in the previous action is attached.)

6. Defendant has/will have lived separate and apart from the plaintiff for six consecutive months and the resumption of a marital relationship is not reasonably probable. The parties separated on <sup>Date</sup>

7. ☐ Plaintiff ☐ Defendant is or has been a recipient of public assistance from the VT Department of Social Welfare.

**PLAINTIFF REQUESTS THE FOLLOWING RELIEF:**

- ☐ 1. Divorce from the bonds of matrimony.
- ☐ 2. That the Court award ☐ the plaintiff ☐ the defendant suitable spousal maintenance.
- ☐ 3. That the Court award ☐ the plaintiff ☐ the defendant a suitable portion of the
- ☐ 4. That the Court award the Plaintiff costs and attorney's fees
- ☐ 5. Such other relief as is just and equitable.

**NOTICE OF APPEARANCE**

I, the Plaintiff in this case, enter my pro se appearance; I will represent myself. Unless I or an attorney notify you otherwise, no attorney will represent me in this case.

All court papers may be mailed to me by first class mail at the address listed above. I understand that it is my responsibility to notify the Court of any change in my mailing address. I understand that if I send anything to the Court, I must send copies to Defendant or Defendants attorney.

I can be reached by telephone at the following numbers.

Telephone Number (day)

Telephone Number (evening)

Date

Label

Signature of Plaintiff

Subscribed and sworn to"before me:

Date

Signature or Notary Public

Expiration Date