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**IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
IN AND FOR SALT LAKE COUNTY, STATE OF UTAH**

JEFFREY D. GASTON,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JASON HALL, an individual, NATALIE
HALL, an individual, GEORGE
SCHLIESSER, an individual, and
WOODCRAFT MILL & CABINET, INC., a
Utah corporation, and BLUFFDALE CITY, a
municipality of the State of Utah,

Defendants.

**PLAINTIFF'S MEMORANDUM IN
OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANTS'
MOTION TO EXTEND STAY**

Civil No. 230905528

Judge Chelsea Koch

(HEARING REQUESTED)

Plaintiff Jeffrey D. Gaston ("Gaston"), by and through his counsel of record, Scott L. Sackett II of and for YOUNG HOFFMAN, LLC, hereby responds to the Hall Parties' Motion to Extend Stay (the "Motion").

GROUND AND RELIEF REQUESTED

As grounds for this Memorandum in Opposition (the "Opposition"), Plaintiff asserts that application of a stay in this matter is unwarranted as this Court has previously considered, and ruled upon, the arguments set forth by Defendants in the Motion. The additional delay imposed

upon Plaintiff should such a stay be granted is prejudicial to his ability to pursue his civil claims against the multiple defendants in this matter. Most importantly, this Court has already clearly contemplated the possibility that the criminal matter might be continued, and this Court ruled that regardless, Plaintiff should be permitted to move forward with this litigation upon expiration of the Court imposed 90-day stay (August 11, 2024).

Accordingly, Plaintiff respectfully requests that this Court deny the Motion in its entirety.

CONCISE STATEMENT OF RELEVANT FACTS

1. This Court granted Defendants' request for a stay at a hearing on May 13, 2024. See Docket, a copy of which has been attached hereto as *Exhibit A*.
2. This Court issued the Order granting a temporary stay in this matter until August 11, 2024. A copy of that Order has been attached hereto as *Exhibit B*.
3. The Order states, in relevant part, "Based on these considerations, the Court hereby GRANTS the stay for 90 days (or until August 11, 2024). ***If the trial gets continued again and is not going to be tried within that 90-day period... the stay will expire and require the Defendants to answer the Complaint within 21 days of the expiration of that stay.***" See *Ex. B (emphasis added)*.
4. This Court did not limit or otherwise place a caveat on the expiration of the stay in the Order. See *Ex. B*.
5. Plaintiff made multiple attempts to serve Defendant Schleisser, including attempts at the Salt Lake County Metro Jail, from which he had been unexpectedly released early. See affidavits and communications from Plaintiff's process server attached hereto as *Exhibit C*.

6. Plaintiff served Defendant Schleisser on June 17, 2024. See *Ex. C*.

7. There was no urgent need to serve Defendant Schleisser after this Court issued the Order granting the motion to stay, as no action needed to be taken by Defendants until Defendants' answer deadline began to run on August 11, 2024. See *Ex. B*.

8. The summons served on Defendant Schleisser informed him that the response deadline did not begin to run until August 11, 2024. A copy of the summons has been attached hereto as *Exhibit "D"*.

ARGUMENT

Plaintiff incorporates by reference his arguments opposing Defendants' request for a stay set forth in his February 22, 2024, *Opposition* to Defendants' original February 7, 2024, *Motion* to stay this case filed with this Court. Plaintiff asserts that the six-factor test utilized by Utah courts in their analysis of whether to grant a stay weighs in favor of denying Defendants' request for an extension of that stay.

Further, Plaintiff asserts that Defendants' Motion is simply a repetition of its original motion and is an effort to somehow persuade this Court to reconsider its Order on this issue. Most importantly, nearly all the arguments set forth by Defendants in the Motion are identical to those already considered by this Court. See *Motion*. Specifically, Defendants' primary argument relates to the purported prejudice suffered by Defendant Hall should this civil matter move forward, and that the prejudice to Defendant Hall outweighs any prejudice or considerations of the Plaintiff. See generally, *Motion*. Yet these exact claims of prejudice were previously addressed by this Court in its in their original motion requesting a stay. See *Ex. B*. After

reviewing Defendants’ arguments in their original motion, which are almost identical to those set forth in this Motion, this Court granted a stay until August 11th, 2024. *Id.* In issuing the Order, the Court clearly considered the possibility that the criminal trial might get continued beyond the expiration of the stay. *St. of Fact* at ¶3. Despite that consideration, no limitations or caveats were included in that Order *St. of Fact* at ¶4.

Further, Defendants’ only new basis for requesting a stay is the passing of Mr. Wuthrich, a prosecutor in the criminal case. See generally, *Motion*. At the time of his passing, Heather Waite-Grover was the lead prosecutor on Defendant Hall’s criminal case and continues to act as such. Defendants’ request that this Court consider this “unforeseen circumstance” ignores the fact that this Court has already done exactly that – considered the potential that the criminal matter might again be delayed, regardless of reason. *St. of Fact* at ¶3. This Court, in issuing its ruling, took into account the potential continuance of the criminal matter and ruled accordingly, specifically stating that if the criminal trial were to continue beyond the 90-day stay, an answer would be required. *Id.*

SUMMARY

For all of the reasons outlined in Plaintiff’s February 22, 2024, *Opposition*, Defendants’ request for an extension or additional stay should be denied. Further, this Court has already considered the potential continuance of the criminal matter and ordered that Defendants move forward should the criminal matter be continued beyond the 90-day extension. As a result, regardless of Defendants’ stated basis for the continuance, this Court’s Order should control the parties’ obligations to move forward with this litigation.

Further, Plaintiff continues to be prejudiced by the delay in his ability to conduct discovery on a case that has been filed for over a year, and in which an answer was originally due from the Hall Defendants in February 2024. Plaintiff should not be forced to risk the additional fading of memories and loss/destruction of evidence (as has been alleged in this case), beyond what this Court has already ordered.

Based on the foregoing, and specifically on this Court's prior consideration of the identical arguments made by Defendants, Plaintiff respectfully requests that this Court deny Defendants' Motion and permit this matter to move forward as previously ordered by this Court.

Dated this 26th day of August, 2024.

YOUNG HOFFMAN, LLC

By /s/ Scott L. Sackett II
Scott L. Sackett II
Attorneys for Plaintiff Jeffrey D. Gaston

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on this 26th day of August, 2024, I caused a true copy of the foregoing
Plaintiff's Memorandum in Opposition to Defendants' Motion to Stay Case to be served via
the court's electronic filing system upon the following:

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/s/ Echo Peterson

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EXHIBIT A

THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT - SALT LAKE COUNTY DISTRICT COURT
SALT LAKE COUNTY, STATE OF UTAH

JEFFREY D GASTON vs. JASON HALL et al.

CASE NUMBER 230905528 Intentional Tort

CURRENT ASSIGNED JUDGE

CHELSEA KOCH

PARTIES

Plaintiff - JEFFREY D GASTON

Represented by: SCOTT SACKETT

Defendant - NATALIE HALL

Represented by: JORDAN WESTGATE

Represented by: AARON CLARK

Represented by: TRINITY JORDAN

Represented by: GREGORY HOOLE

Defendant - GEORGE SCHLIESSER

Defendant - WOODCRAFT MILL & CABINET INC

Represented by: JORDAN WESTGATE

Represented by: AARON CLARK

Represented by: TRINITY JORDAN

Defendant - JASON HALL

Represented by: JORDAN WESTGATE

Represented by: AARON CLARK

Represented by: TRINITY JORDAN

Defendant - BLUFFDALE CITY

Represented by: GREGORY HOOLE

ACCOUNT SUMMARY

Total Revenue Amount Due:	390.00
Amount Paid:	390.00
Amount Credit:	0.00
Balance:	0.00

REVENUE DETAIL - TYPE: COMPLAINT - NO AMT S

Original Amount Due:	375.00
Amended Amount Due:	375.00
Amount Paid:	375.00
Amount Credit:	0.00
Balance:	0.00

REVENUE DETAIL - TYPE: ELEC STORAGE MEDIUM

Original Amount Due:	15.00
Amended Amount Due:	15.00
Amount Paid:	15.00

Amount Credit: 0.00
Balance: 0.00

CASE NOTE

PROCEEDINGS

07-26-2023 Filed: Complaint
07-26-2023 Case filed by efiler
07-26-2023 Fee Account created Total Due: 375.00
07-26-2023 COMPLAINT - NO AMT S Payment Received: 375.00
07-26-2023 Judge CHELSEA KOCH assigned.
07-26-2023 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification
07-27-2023 Filed: Amended Complaint First Amended Complaint
07-27-2023 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification
11-15-2023 Filed: Motion to Amend First Amended Complaint
Filed by: JEFFREY D GASTON
11-15-2023 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification
11-15-2023 Filed: Request/Notice to Submit Request to Submit for Decision
Motion to Amend First Amended Complaint
11-15-2023 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification
12-06-2023 Filed order: Granting Motion to Amend First Amended Complaint
Judge CHELSEA KOCH
Signed December 06, 2023
12-08-2023 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification
12-11-2023 Filed: Amended Complaint Second Amended Complaint
12-11-2023 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification
12-21-2023 Filed return: Acceptance of Service Acceptance of Service
(Bluffdale City)
Party Served: BLUFFDALE CITY
Service Type: Personal
Service Date: December 21, 2023
Garnishee:
12-21-2023 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification
01-26-2024 Filed: Appearance of Counsel/Notice of Limited Appearance
01-26-2024 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification
01-31-2024 Filed: Motion to Dismiss
Filed by: NATALIE HALL et al.
01-31-2024 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification
02-07-2024 Filed: Motion to Stay Case Pending Resolution of Related
Criminal Proceedings
Filed by: WOODCRAFT MILL & CABINET INC et al.
02-07-2024 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification
02-14-2024 Filed: Motion to Dismiss
Filed by: NATALIE HALL et al.
02-14-2024 Filed: Ex. A (Notice of Claim)
02-14-2024 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification
02-22-2024 Filed: Opposition to Defendants Motion to Stay Case
02-22-2024 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification
03-07-2024 Filed: Reply Memorandum in Support of Motion to Stay Case
Pending Resolution of Related Criminal Proceedings
03-07-2024 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification

03-14-2024 Filed: Opposition to Defendants Motion to Stay Case
03-14-2024 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification
03-14-2024 Filed: Opposition to Defendants Motion to Dismiss
03-14-2024 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification
04-01-2024 Filed: Reply Memorandum in Support of Motion to Dismiss with
Prejudice
04-01-2024 Filed: Request/Notice to Submit Motion to Dismiss with
Prejudice for Decision
04-01-2024 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification
04-04-2024 MOTION HEARING scheduled on May 13, 2024 at 09:00 AM in VIRTUAL
HEARING with Judge CHELSEA KOCH
04-04-2024 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification
05-06-2024 Filed: Request/Notice to Submit
05-06-2024 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification
05-13-2024 Minute Entry - MOTION HEARING

Judge: CHELSEA KOCH
Clerk: anthonyh

PRESENT

Plaintiff's Attorney(s): SCOTT SACKETT
Defendant's Attorney(s): GREGORY HOOLE
Defendant's Attorney(s): TRINITY JORDAN
Audio
Tape Number: 32 Tape Count: 9:00-10:12

HEARING

TIME: 9:01 AM
Mr Hoole addresses the motion to dismiss.

TIME: 9:05 AM
Plaintiff's response.

TIME: 9:12 AM
Mr Hoole's rebuttal.

TIME: 9:17 AM
Plaintiff's response.

TIME: 9:18 AM
Mr. Jordan addresses the motion to stay.

TIME: 9:28 AM
Plaintiff's response.

TIME: 9:41 AM
Mr. Jordan's rebuttal.

TIME: 9:46 AM
Plaintiff's response.

TIME: 9:47 AM
Court takes recess and will return with a ruling.

TIME: 10:06 AM
Back on the record. Court grants motion to dismiss and
gives basis. Mr. Hoole is to prepare the order. Court
grants the motion to stay and gives basis. Mr. Jordan is to
file the order.

TIME: 10:12 AM
Court is in recess.

05-13-2024 Filed: Ex Parte Order (Proposed) Granting Bluffdale Citys
Motion to Dismiss with Prejudice
05-13-2024 Fee Account created Total Due: 15.00
05-13-2024 ELEC STORAGE MEDIUM Payment Received: 15.00

05-13-2024 Filed order: Ex Parte Order Granting Bluffdale Citys Motion to Dismiss with Prejudice
Judge CHELSEA KOCH
Signed May 13, 2024

05-13-2024 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification

05-14-2024 Note: Audio Request Completed and Emailed to Armstrong Teasdale LLC. LJ

05-15-2024 Case Disposition is Dismsd w prejudice
Disposition Judge is CHELSEA KOCH

05-15-2024 Filed: Order (Proposed) Granting Motion to Stay Case Pending Resolution of Related Criminal Proceedings

05-15-2024 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification

05-16-2024 Filed order: Order Granting Motion to Stay Case Pending Resolution of Related Criminal Proceedings
Judge CHELSEA KOCH
Signed May 16, 2024

05-16-2024 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification

05-16-2024 Stay Ends August 11, 2024

07-03-2024 Filed return: Return of Service of Second Amended Complaint upon KELLY RICH for
Party Served: GEORGE SCHLIESSER
Service Type: Personal
Service Date: June 17, 2024
Garnishee:

07-03-2024 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification

07-11-2024 Filed: Notice of Change of Firm Affiliation

07-11-2024 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification

08-12-2024 Filed: Motion The Hall Defendants Motion to Extend Stay
Filed by: WOODCRAFT MILL & CABINET INC et al.

08-12-2024 Filed: Return of Electronic Notification

EXHIBIT B



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IN AND FOR SALT LAKE COUNTY, STATE OF UTAH**

JEFFREY D. GASTON, Plaintiff, v. JASON HALL, an individual; NATALIE HALL, an individual; GEORGE SCHLIESSER, an individual; WOODCRAFT MILL & CABINET, INC., a Utah corporation; and BLUFFDALE CITY, a municipality of the State of Utah, Defendants.	ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO STAY CASE PENDING RESOLUTION OF RELATED CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS Case No: 230905528 Judge Chelsea Koch
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This matter came before the Court on the Motion to Stay Case Pending Resolution of Related Criminal Proceedings (the “**Motion**”), filed on February 7, 2024 by Jason Hall, Natalie Hall, and Woodcraft Mill & Cabinet, Inc. (collectively the “**Hall Defendants**”). Plaintiff Jeffrey D. Gaston (“**Plaintiff**”) opposed the Motion, filing a Memorandum in Opposition to Defendants’

Motion to Stay Case on February 22, 2024. The Court heard oral arguments via Webex on May 13, 2024.

The Court GRANTS the Motion to Stay, and in doing so, has made the following findings:

1. While criminal matters are often delayed for years, in this case, the trial is set just six weeks from now.
2. The facts of the criminal case and this case overlap with one another; they are essentially the same case.
3. Additionally, Plaintiff has not yet served one of the Defendants, so the timeline of the case is not going to be particularly delayed.
4. The Court notes the legitimate concern with Mr. Hall having to participate in discovery and answer while facing a criminal information, particularly where the alleged conduct overlaps significantly with the facts of this case.
5. The Court also finds Mr. Hall's argument persuasive, as it relates to the prejudice prong, that Plaintiff could have filed this lawsuit earlier based on the fact that the underlying events took place years ago but waited until now to file.
6. Based on these considerations, the Court hereby GRANTS the stay for 90 days (or until August 11, 2024). If the trial gets continued again and is not going to be tried within that 90-day period, however, the stay will expire and require the Defendants to answer the Complaint within 21 days of the expiration of that stay.
7. Plaintiff is permitted to continue effecting service on Defendants during the stay period. Plaintiff must include in any summons the relevant information

related to this stay.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

*****EXECUTED AND ENTERED BY THE COURT AS INDICATED BY THE DATE
AND SEAL AT THE TOP OF THE FIRST PAGE*****

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

YOUNG HOFFMAN, LLC

/s/ Scott L. Sackett II

Scott L. Sackett II

Attorneys for Plaintiff

*Electronic Signature affixed with permission
via email 5/15/2024.*

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 15th day of May, 2024, I caused a copy of the foregoing to be served on all counsel of record via the Court's Electronic Filing System.

/s/ Shelby Irvin

EXHIBIT C

AFFIDAVIT OF NON-SERVICE

Case: 230905528	Court: DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF UTAH THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT, SALT LAKE COUNTY, WEST JORDAN	County: Salt Lake, UT	Job: 11166662
Plaintiff / Petitioner: JEFFREY D. GASTON		Defendant / Respondent: JASON HALL, an individual; NATALIE HALL, an individual; GEORGE SCHLIESSER, an individual; WOODCRAFT MILL & CABINET, INC., a Utah corporation; and BLUFFDALE CITY, a municipality of the State of Utah	
Received by: Dawnette Snyder		For: Young Hoffman, LLC*	
To be served upon: GEORGE SCHLIESSER			

I, Dawnette Snyder, being duly sworn, depose and say: I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action, and that within the boundaries of the state where service was not effected.

Recipient Name / Address: GEORGE SCHLIESSER, Salt Lake County Metro Jail: 3415 S 900 W Housing 03, Block D, Cell 16, South Salt Lake, UT 84119

Manner of Service: Bad Address

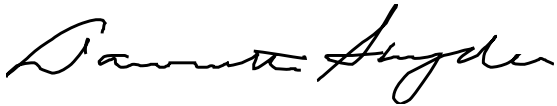
Documents: SUMMONS OF SECOND AMENDED COMPLAINT (George Schliesser); SECOND AMENDED COMPLAINT;

Additional Comments:

1) Unsuccessful Attempt: Jun 4, 2024, 9:42 am MDT at Salt Lake County Metro Jail: 3415 S 900 W Housing 03, Block D, Cell 16, South Salt Lake, UT 84119

Subject is no longer incarcerated in Salt Lake County Metro Jail, per Sgt. Eddie Nielson. He was here from March 19 to June 2. He was released at 7:51 AM Sunday morning.

Fees: \$65.00



06/04/2024

Dawnette Snyder

Date

Dawnette Snyder
2637 N Washington Blvd. #336
North Ogden, UT 84414
808-824-8569

PROOF OF SERVICE

Case: 230905528	Court: DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF UTAH THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT, SALT LAKE COUNTY, WEST JORDAN	County: Salt Lake, UT	Job: 11254184
Plaintiff / Petitioner: JEFFREY D. GASTON		Defendant / Respondent: JASON HALL, an individual; NATALIE HALL, an individual; GEORGE SCHLIESSER, an individual; WOODCRAFT MILL & CABINET, INC., a Utah corporation; and BLUFFDALE CITY, a municipality of the State of Utah	
Received by: Statewide Process Servers		For: Young Hoffman, LLC	
To be served upon: GEORGE SCHLIESSER			

I, Jeff Cook, being duly sworn, depose and say: I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action, and that within the boundaries of the state where service was effected, I was authorized by law to make service of the documents and informed said person of the contents herein

Recipient Name / Address: Kelly Rich, 4290 South Alice Way, South Salt Lake, UT 84119

Manner of Service: Substitute Service - Abode, Jun 17, 2024, 5:05 pm MDT

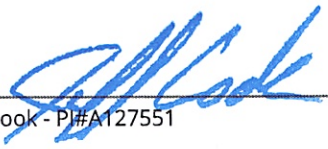
Documents: Summons of Second Amended Complaint; Second Amended Complaint;

Additional Comments:

1) Successful Attempt: Jun 17, 2024, 5:05 pm MDT at 4290 South Alice Way, South Salt Lake, UT 84119 received by Kelly Rich. Age: 66; Ethnicity: Caucasian; Gender: Female; Weight: 260; Height: 5'10"; Hair: Brown; Relationship: Co-Occupant; Subject is not available, documents served on Kelly Rich.

At the time of service I endorsed the first page of the document(s) served with my name, date and time of service.

Fees: \$119.60



Jeff Cook - PI#A127551 June 18, 2024
Date

Utah Process Service
2637 N. Washington Blvd., Ste. 336
North Ogden, UT 84414
801-689-2902

EXHIBIT D

JEFF COOK - Process Server

Date 6/17/24 Time 5:05 p.m.
2637 N. Washington Blvd. #236 No. Ogden UT 84414

801-689-2902

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municipality of the State of Utah,

Defendants.

SUMMONS OF SECOND AMENDED
COMPLAINT

(George Schliesser)

Civil No. 230905528

Judge Chelsea Koch

THE STATE OF UTAH TO:

GEORGE SCHLIESSER
4290 South Alice Way
Salt Lake City, UT 84119

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to answer the attached Complaint
within **TWENTY-ONE (21) DAYS** of August 11, 2024, assuming service of this Summons has

occurred prior to August 11, 2024. You must file your written Answer with the Clerk of the Court at the following address:

Third Judicial District Court
West Jordan Courthouse
8080 S. Redwood Road
Salt Lake City, UT 84088

You must also mail or deliver a copy of your Answer to Plaintiff's attorney at the following:

Scott L. Sackett II
YOUNG HOFFMAN, LLC
175 South Main Street, Suite 850
Salt Lake City, UT 84111

If you fail to answer the Complaint within **TWENTY-ONE (21) DAYS** of August 11, 2024, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

Dated this 17th day of June, 2024.

/s/ Scott L. Sackett II
Scott L. Sackett II
YOUNG HOFFMAN, LLC
Attorneys for Jeffrey D. Gaston

A lawsuit has been filed against you. You must respond in writing by the deadline for the court to consider your side. The written response is called an Answer.

Deadline!

Your Answer must be filed with the court and served on the other party within 21 days of the date you were served with this Summons.

If you do not file and serve your Answer by the deadline, the other party can ask the court for a default judgment. A default judgment means the other party can get what they asked for, and you do not get the chance to tell your side of the story.

Read the complaint/petition

The Complaint or Petition has been filed with the court and explains what the other party is asking for in their lawsuit. Read it carefully.

Answer the complaint/petition

You must file your Answer in writing with the court within 21 days of the date you were served with this Summons. You can find an Answer form on the court's website: utcourts.gov/ans



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Serve the Answer on the other party

You must email, mail or hand deliver a copy of your Answer to the other party (or their attorney or licensed paralegal practitioner, if they have one) at the address shown at the top left corner of the first page of this Summons.

Finding help

The court's Finding Legal Help web page (utcourts.gov/help) provides information about the ways you can get legal help, including the Self-Help Center, reduced-fee attorneys, limited legal help and free legal clinics.



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Se ha presentado una demanda en su contra. Si desea que el juez considere su lado, deberá presentar una respuesta por escrito dentro del periodo de tiempo establecido. La respuesta por escrito es conocida como la Respuesta.

¡Fecha límite para contestar!

Su Respuesta debe ser presentada en el tribunal y también con la debida entrega formal a la otra parte dentro de 21 días a partir de la fecha en que usted recibió la entrega formal del Citatorio.

Si usted no presenta una respuesta ni hace la entrega formal dentro del plazo establecido, la otra parte podrá pedirle al juez que asiente un fallo por incumplimiento. Un fallo por incumplimiento significa que la otra parte recibe lo que pidió, y usted no tendrá la oportunidad de decir su versión de los hechos.

Lea la demanda o petición

La demanda o petición fue presentada en el tribunal y ésta explica lo que la otra parte pide. Léala cuidadosamente.

Cómo responder a la demanda o petición

Usted debe presentar su Respuesta por escrito en el tribunal dentro de 21 días a partir de la fecha en que usted recibió la entrega formal del Citatorio. Puede encontrar el formulario para la presentación de la Respuesta en la página del tribunal: utcourts.gov/ansspan



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Entrega formal de la respuesta a la otra parte

Usted deberá enviar por correo electrónico, correo o entregar personalmente una copia de su Respuesta a la otra parte (o a su abogado o asistente legal, si tiene) a la dirección localizada en la esquina izquierda superior de la primera hoja del citatorio.

Cómo encontrar ayuda legal

Para información sobre maneras de obtener ayuda legal, vea nuestra página de Internet Cómo Encontrar Ayuda Legal. (utcourts.gov/help-span) Algunas maneras de obtener ayuda legal son por medio de una visita a un taller jurídico gratuito, o mediante el Centro de Ayuda. También hay ayuda legal a precios de descuento y consejo legal breve.



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utcourts.gov/arabic



قم بالمسح الضوئي للرمز لزيارة الصفحة

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