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Served On: _____

You are hereby summoned to defend a civil action filed against you in _____, _____ 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 required date, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief sought in the complaint.

KATHARINE JENNELLE, CLERK AND MASTER

Issued: _____ Clerk / Deputy Clerk

Attorney for Plaintiff: _____

NOTICE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY EXEMPTION

TO THE DEFENDANT(S): Tennessee law provides a ten thousand dollar (\$10,000) personal property exemption as well as a homestead exemption from execution or seizure to satisfy a judgment. The amount of the homestead exemption depends upon your age and the other factors which are listed in TCA §26-2-301. 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 your self 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 execute it, you may wish to seek the counsel of a lawyer. Please state file number on list.

Mail list to _____, _____ Clerk, _____ County

CERTIFICATION (IF APPLICABLE)

I, _____, _____ Clerk of _____ County do certify this to be a true and correct copy of the original summons issued in this case.

Date: _____ Clerk / Deputy Clerk – _____

OFFICER'S RETURN: Please execute this summons and make your return within ninety (90) days of issuance as provided by law.	
I certify that I have served this summons together with the complaint as follows:	
Date: _____	By: _____ Please Print: Officer, Title
Agency Address _____	Signature _____

ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE: I, _____, hereby accept service of process in this case as fully and in all respects, as though I had been personally served by a Deputy Sheriff of Sullivan County, and I acknowledge that I received a copy of the summons and complaint in this case.

This the _____ day of _____, _____.

Witness

Defendant