	Are you being Evicted?
□ Step 1 Fill out forms	Use blue or black ink:  ☑ UD-105 Answer-Unlawful Detainer  ☑ UD-125 Application to Prevent Forfeiture Due to COVID 19 Rental Debt*  ☑ POS-030 Proof of Service by First-Class Mail – Civil (you only fill out top part)  * Complete this form only if it applies. Please read this form carefully before signing, as it is signed under penalty of perjury.
☐ <b>Step 2</b> Make copies	Make copies of the UD-105 <i>Answer</i> and UD-125, if it applies:  Make □ 2 □ 3 □ 4 copies, in addition to the original.
☐ <b>Step 3</b> Serve Copies	You must "serve" a copy of the <i>Answer</i> and UD-125, it if applies.  "Service" means that someone, NOT YOU, who is at least 18 years old, must mail a copy of your <i>Answer</i> and the UD-125, if it applies, to the other party in the case or their attorney if they have one.  You can ask a friend, relative, etc. to serve the <i>Answer</i> and the UD-125, if it applies, or
	you can look in the yellow pages and hire a "process server" to mail the papers for you for a fee.
	After the papers are mailed, the server (person who mails the <i>Answer</i> and the UD-125, if it applies) must complete the POS – 030 <b>Proof of Service by First-Class Mail – Civil</b> and give it to back to you.
☐ <b>Step 4</b> File original & copies  There is a filing fee <i>unless</i> the fee	Turn in the original and copies of the Answer, UD-125, if it applies, and the Proof of Service to the Clerk's Office located at:  191 North First Street, San Jose, CA 95113  The Clerk's Office opens at 8:30am Monday-Friday, closing times are subject to change, visit <a href="www.scscourt.org">www.scscourt.org</a> or call 408-882-2100 for current office hours.  Dropbox: If the Clerk's Office is closed, you may use the dropbox until 5:00 pm Monday through Friday. A check or fee waiver must be submitted with the documents. Documents must be placed in the dropbox by 4pm to be filed the same day.
is waived.	☐ If you are not asking for a fee waiver, you will pay the filing fee and get filed-stamped copies back when you file.
	☐ If you are asking for a fee waiver, your file-stamped copies may be returned immediately, OR you may be asked to return in up to 24 hours, OR your file-stamped forms may be mailed to you. Please check with the clerk who takes your forms.
□ Step 5	After you file your Answer, UD-125, if it applies and Proof of Service:
What happens	The landlord can ask the court for a trial. To get a trial date the landlord fills out a Request/Counter-Request to Set Case for Trial-Unlawful Detainer.
next	The trial will be set approximately <b>20 days</b> after the <i>Request</i> is filed.
	If you disagree with the Request, you have <b>5 COURT days</b> * to file and serve your own Request/Counter-Request to Set Case for Trial-Unlawful Detainer.  *"Court days" means you do not count any weekends or judicial holidays.

### TURN OVER FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### WHAT IS AN UNLAWFUL DETAINER ("EVICTION") ACTION?

An Unlawful Detainer action is a court process where a landlord asks the court to order that a tenant move out of the place where they live or work. This usually happens when a tenant doesn't pay the rent or stays after his/her lease has ended. The court will decide if the tenant has to move out of the landlord's property. In these cases, the landlord is the **plaintiff** and the tenant is the **defendant**.

#### CAN THE LANDLORD MAKE ME MOVE OUT?

The main way landlords can legally force you to move out is if they win an Unlawful Detainer case. Then, they can get a "Judgment" for possession (this is a court order stating you must move out). The Sheriff can enforce this Judgment by making you move out.

### CAN THE LANDLORD JUST LOCK ME OUT?

No. It is illegal to try to force you to leave by cutting off your electricity, removing outside windows or doors, changing the locks and/or getting rid of your personal things.

### **HOW LONG DOES THE PROCESS TAKE?**

See the attached flowchart which shows the Unlawful Detainer process. If the tenant files an Answer within 5 court days, it will take a minimum of 29 to 33 days before the tenant will be forced to move.

### **HOW CAN I GET HELP?**

Here are some ways to get help:

- Go to <a href="http://www.calbar.ca.gov/Public">http://www.calbar.ca.gov/Public</a>, then click on "Lawyer Referral services" to hire or consult with a private attorney.
- For free legal advice and information, see our "Do-It-Yourself Resources" flyer. Go to www.scscourt.org, click on "Self-Help" then "Self-Help Flyers".
- The Self Help Center/Family Law Facilitator See our information flyer:
  - Contact us: Go to www.scscourt.org then click "Contact the Self Help Center". Walk-in assistance is limited to emergencies so contact us remotely first.
  - Obtain Forms: Go to www.scscourt.org then click "Complete Forms at Home"
  - Form Review: These forms may be reviewed in person at the Restraining Order Help Center located at 201 N. First Street, San Jose, CA 95113, visit <a href="www.scscourt.org">www.scscourt.org</a> for current office hours. Since there are strict deadlines in eviction cases, you should go to the Self Help Center as soon as possible.
  - o Note: We cannot help people who have attorneys.

Superior Court, County of Santa Clara **Self Help Center/Family Law Facilitator's Office**201 N. First Street, San Jose, CA 95113
408-882-2926

### Trial Tips for Unlawful Detainer Cases

### You have a right to talk to the Judge

After the Tenant files an *Answer* (form UD-105) and the Landlord (and, possibly, the Tenant) files a *Request/Counter-Request to Set Case for Trial* (form UD-150) the Tenant and Landlord will receive a letter in the mail notifying them of their Trial date. Normally, this is a Trial by a judge (unless a jury trial was requested). Many people do not know that they have a right to talk to the judge about their case when they go to court. Even if you speak to the other party, or their attorney, and they tell you that you do not need to talk to the judge, **DO NOT** leave the court without talking to the judge about what you and the other party agree or don't agree about.

# If you and the other party <u>agree</u>, you still need to talk to the Judge about your agreement

The Judge will ask you and the other party to step outside the courtroom to discuss your case to see if you can come to an agreement without a trial. If you agree about how to resolve your case, return to the courtroom and wait for your name to be called. **DO NOT** leave the court without talking to the judge about what you both agreed to.

# If you and the other party <u>agree</u>, don't leave the courthouse without a filed copy of the agreement.

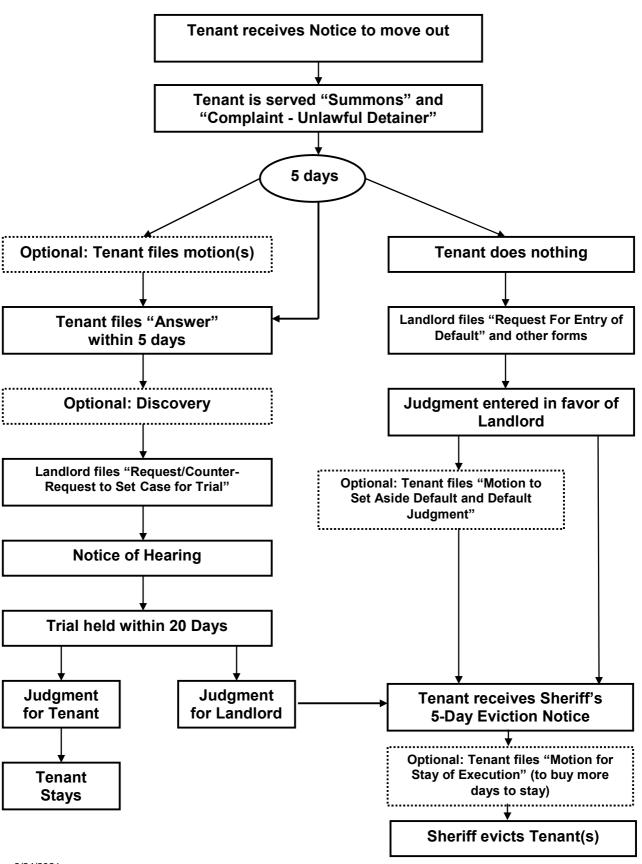
If you settle your case and you and the other party, or their attorney, make an agreement, **DO NOT** leave the court without a copy of the agreement. Don't wait to get a copy of the agreement in the mail. Tell the other party that you will wait in the courtroom for a copy. Having a copy helps to prevent misunderstandings during a stressful time.

# If you and the other party <u>cannot agree</u>, go back to the Courtroom and wait to talk to the Judge

If you do not want to agree to the terms the other party or their attorney is offering, you will need to see the judge. Go back into the courtroom and let the deputy know that you do not agree and are ready for the judge. Then wait for your name to be called by the clerk or judge for your Trial. If you do not hear your name called, go back to the deputy and let him know that your case has not been called yet. **DO NOT** leave the courtroom until you have spoken to the judge about your case. You have the right to a Trial.

It is important to get legal advice <u>before</u> your Trial so you are prepared to tell the Judge how the law supports what you are asking for. The Judge has to follow the law when making a Judgment.

### **The Eviction Process**



# **BLANKS**

### **UD ANSWER**

Please complete the following forms in blue or blank ink.

After you fill these out, you will make copies of the completed form(s).

You must have 1 copy served by mail, but you cannot serve it yourself. After this is served, you will file this original and remaining copies and filled out Proof of Service by First Class Mail to the Clerk's Office.

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ATTORNEY OR PARTY WIT	HOUT ATTORNEY	STATE BAR NU	MBER:	FOR COURT USE ONLY
NAME:				
FIRM NAME:				
STREET ADDRESS:				
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP CODE:	
TELEPHONE NO.:		FAX NO.:		
EMAIL ADDRESS:				
ATTORNEY FOR (name):	Self-Represented			
SUPERIOR COURT	OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF	Santa Clara		
STREET ADDRESS: 191	N. First Street			
MAILING ADDRESS: 191	N. First Street			
CITY AND ZIP CODE: Sar	•			
BRANCH NAME: Civ	ıl Division			
PLAINTIFF:				
DEFENDANT:				
	ANOMED LINE	WELL DET	INED	CASE NUMBER:
	ANSWER—UNLA	WFUL DE LA	MINER	
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Defendant (all de	efendants for whom this answ	er is filed mus	t be named and must sign t	this answer unless their attorney signs):
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	al Denial (Do not check this b			
			complaint and of <i>Mandator</i>	y Cover Sheet and Supplemental
Allega	tions—Unlawful Detainer (forn	n UD-101).		
b. Specif	fic Denials (Check this box a	nd complete (1	1) and (2) below if complain	t demands more than \$1,000.)
				Cover Sheet and Supplemental Allegations
	ful Detainer (form UD-101) are			эт э
(1) Denial (	of Allegations in Complaint	(form UD-100	or other complaint for un	nlawful detainer)
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	Explanation is on form MC-	uzo, iilleu as <i>i</i>	Attachment 2b(1)(a).	
(b) Defe	endant has no information or b	elief that the f	ollowing statements of the o	complaint are true, so defendant denies
				ore room needed, on form MC-025):
	Explanation is on form MC-	025, titled as	Attachment 2b(1)(b).	
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(2) Denial o	of Allegations in <i>Mandatory</i>	Cover Sheet	and Supplemental Allega	tions—Unlawful Detainer (form UD-101)
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	PLAINTIFF: CASE NUMBER:							
DE	FEN	FENDANT:						
2.	b. (2) (c) Defendant has no information or belief that the following statements on Mandatory Cover Sheet and Supplemental Allegations—Unlawful Detainer (form UD-101) are true, so defendant denies them (state paragraph numbers from form UD-101 or explain below or, if more room needed, on form MC-025):  Explanation is on form MC-025, titled as Attachment 2b(2)(c).							
3.	mo	re ro		AND OBJECTIONS (NOTE: For each box checked, you must state brief for needed, on form MC-025. You can learn more about defenses and object)				
	a.		] (No	onpayment of rent only) Plaintiff has breached the warranty to provide habi	itable premises.			
	b.		_ `	onpayment of rent only) Defendant made needed repairs and properly ded t give proper credit.	ucted the cost from the rent, and plaintiff did			
	C.			onpayment of rent only) On (date): before the not erent due but plaintiff would not accept it.	tice to pay or quit expired, defendant offered			
	d.		] (No	onpayment of rent only) Plaintiff's demand for possession is based on non	payment of rent due more than one year ago.			
	e.		_	aintiff waived, changed, or canceled the notice to quit.				
	f.		_	aintiff served defendant with the notice to quit or filed the complaint to retali	•			
	g.		def	serving defendant with the notice to quit or filing the complaint, plaintiff is a fendant in violation of the Constitution or the laws of the United States or C	alifornia.			
	h.		orc	aintiff's demand for possession violates the local rent control or eviction condinance, and date of passage):	ntrol ordinance of (city or county, title of			
				Iso, briefly state in item 3t the facts showing violation of the ordinance.)	040 Obid Onda anathur 4040 0 ar 4047 40			
	I.	(4)		nintiff's demand for possession is subject to the Tenant Protection Act of 20 d is not in compliance with the act. (Check all that apply and briefly state in	item 3t the facts that support each.)			
		(1)	Щ	Plaintiff failed to state a just cause for termination of tenancy in the writte				
		(2)		Plaintiff failed to provide an opportunity to cure any alleged violations of t payment of rent) as required under Civil Code section 1946.2(c).	terms and conditions of the lease (other than			
		(3)		Plaintiff failed to comply with the relocation assistance requirements of C	` '			
		(4)		Plaintiff has raised the rent more than the amount allowed under Civil Corent is the unauthorized amount.				
		(5)		Plaintiff violated the Tenant Protection Act in another manner that defeat				
	j.		] Pla	aintiff accepted rent from defendant to cover a period of time after the date	the notice to quit expired.			
	k.		me of a ford ord this a v	aintiff seeks to evict defendant based on an act—against defendant, defendent of defendant's household—that constitutes domestic violence, sexual an elder or a dependent adult, or a crime that caused bodily injury, involved ce. (This defense requires one of the following, which may be included with the continuous order, or police report that is not more than 180 days old ard party (e.g., a doctor, domestic violence or sexual assault counselor, hubititim of violent crime advocate concerning the injuries or abuse resulting frommentation or evidence that verifies that the abuse or violence occurred.)	al assault, stalking, human trafficking, abuse d a deadly weapon, or used force or threat of the this form: (1) a temporary restraining (; (2) a signed statement from a qualified man trafficking caseworker, psychologist, or			
		(1)		The abuse or violence was committed by a person who does not live in t	he dwelling unit.			
		(2)		The abuse or violence was committed by a person who lives in the dwell from eviction under Code of Civil Procedure section 1161.3(d)(2).	ing unit and defendant claims protection			
	I.		<sup>¯</sup> am	aintiff seeks to evict defendant based on defendant or another person calling abulance) by or on behalf of a victim of abuse, a victim of crime, or an indiverties to the person believed that assistance was necessary.				
	m.		_	intiff's demand for possession of a residential property is based on nonpay d <i>(check all that apply)</i>	ment of rent or other financial obligations			
		(1)		plaintiff received or has a pending application for rental assistance from a some other source relating to the amount claimed in the notice to pay ren §§ 50897.1(d)(2)(B) and 50897.3(e)(2).)				

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F	PLA	AINTIFF:	CASE NUMBER:
DE	FEN	NDANT:	
3.	m.	. (2) plaintiff received or has a pending application for rental assistance from a some other source for rent accruing since the notice to pay rent or quit. (1 50897.3(e)(2).)	
		(3) plaintiff's demand for possession is based only on late fees for defendant 15 days of receiving governmental rental assistance. (Health & Saf. Code	
	n.	Plaintiff violated the COVID-19 Tenant Relief Act (Code Civ. Proc., § 1179.01 ordinance regarding evictions in some other way (briefly state facts describing	
	Ο.	<ul> <li>The property is covered by the federal CARES Act and the plaintiff did not pro (Property covered by the CARES Act means property where the landlord</li> <li>is participating in a covered housing program as defined by the Violence A</li> <li>is participating in the rural housing voucher program under section 542 of a</li> <li>has a federally backed mortgage loan or a federally backed multifamily more</li> </ul>	gainst Women Act; the Housing Act of 1949; or
	p.	Plaintiff improperly applied payments made by defendant in a tenancy that was September 30, 2021 (Code Civ. Proc., § 1179.04.5), as follows (check all that	
		(1) Plaintiff applied a security deposit to rent, or other financial obligations du	ue, without tenant's written agreement.
		(2) Plaintiff applied a monthly rental payment to rent or other financial obligation and September 30, 2021, other than to the prospective month's rent, with	
	q.	Plaintiff refused to accept payment from a third party for rent due. (Civ. Code,	§ 1947.3; Gov. Code, § 12955.)
	r.	Defendant has a disability and plaintiff refused to provide a reasonable accommodal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 12176(c).)	nmodation that was requested.
	s.	Other defenses and objections are stated in item 3t.	
	t.	(Provide facts for each item checked above, either below or, if more room needed, or Description of facts or defenses are on form MC-025, titled as Attachment 3t.	•
	OT a. b.	THER STATEMENTS  Defendant vacated the premises on (date):  The fair rental value of the premises alleged in the complaint is excessive (exform MC-025).  Explanation is on form MC-025, titled as Attachment 4b.	plain below or, if more room needed, on
	c.	Other (specify below or, if more room needed, on form MC-025):  Other statements are on form MC-025, titled as Attachment 4c.	
	DE a. b. c.		

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PLAINTIFF:	CASE NUMBER:				
DEFENDANT:					
5. d that plaintiff be ordered to (1) make repairs and correct the conditions that habitable premises and (2) reduce the monthly rent to a reasonable renta					
e. Other (specify below or on form MC-025):					
All other requests are stated on form MC-025, titled as Attachment	5e.				
6. Number of pages attached:					
UNLAWFUL DETAINER ASSISTANT (Bus. & Prof. Co	do 88 6400 6415)				
7. (Must be completed in all cases.) An unlawful detainer assistant did not	did for compensation give advice or				
assistance with this form. If defendant has received <b>any</b> help or advice for pay from					
a. assistant's name: b. telephone	e number:				
c. street address, city, and zip code:					
d. county of registration:  e. registration number:	f. expiration date:				
(Each defendant for whom this answer is filed must be named in item 1 and must sign t	this answer unless defendant's attorney signs.)				
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H. C. Carlotte and C. Carlotte					
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME) (S	GIGNATURE OF DEFENDANT OR ATTORNEY)				
VERIFICATION					
(Use a different verification form if the verification is by an attorney or for	or a corporation or partnership.)				
I am the defendant in this proceeding and have read this answer. I declare under per California that the foregoing is true and correct.	nalty of perjury under the laws of the State of				
Date:					
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(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)	(SIGNATURE OF DEFENDANT)				

## Complete form UD-125 'Application to Prevent Forfeiture Due to Covid-19 Rental Debt' only if all the following apply:

1. [ ] A government rental assistance program approved an application for rental assistance for part or all or the rent or other financial obligation demanded.

#### And

- 2. [ ] The Complaint filed against you is based on rent owed
  - a. Between March 1, 2020 and September 30, 2021. OR
  - b. Between October 1, 2021 and March 31, 2022, and you started living in property before October 1, 2021.

If you did not check both boxes above, do not fill out this form.

ATTORNEY OR PARTY	WITHOUT ATTORNEY	STATE BAR NUMBER	<b>R</b> :	FOR COURT USE ONLY
NAME:				
FIRM NAME:				
STREET ADDRESS:		07175	0005	
CITY:			P CODE:	
TELEPHONE NO.: EMAIL ADDRESS:		FAX NO.:		
ATTORNEY FOR (name	Self-Represented			
	RT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF	Santa Clara		
	191 N. First Street			
	191 N. First Street			
	San Jose, CA 95113			
BRANCH NAME:	Civil Division			
PLAINTIFF:				
DEFENDANT:				
	APPLICATION TO PREVEI DUE TO COVID-19 RE		E	CASE NUMBER:
This form m.	et he filed by the defendant in a	a unlawful dataina	case to ask the sourt to	stop the eviction process if the
defendant ha	est be filed by the defendant in and seen approved for COVID-19- rjury that all the statements in ite	related emergency		endant must be able to declare under
assistance do		§ 1179.13(a)(3).) N	Note: this application do	nanded in the complaint that the rental es not take the place of an Answer to the se form UD-105.)
Defendant (n.	ame):			
asks the cou	rt to prevent or relieve forfeiture		tal agreement for prope	rty at issue in this unlawful detainer case
	of Civil Procedure section 1179.	13.		
	ollowing statements are true:			
	wful detainer case is based on a ne following time periods <i>(check</i>			ncial obligation that was due during one or
(1)	between March 1, 2020, and S	eptember 30, 2021	l.	
(2)	between October 1, 2021, and 1, 2021.	March 31, 2022, a	nd the defendant's tena	ncy was initially established before October
	ment rental assistance program obligations demanded.	has approved an a	application for rental ass	sistance for part or all of the rent or other
3. (Defendant m	nust check a or b.)			
for t		ned. (The approval		roving the application for rental assistance y address and the amount of payment
b <i>(Th</i>	e following information must be	provided if a copy	of the approval is not av	vailable.)
(1) The	address for the property at issue	in this case (addr	ess):	
(2) The a	application number assigned to	defendant's rental	assistance application:	
(3) The i	name of the government rental a	assistance program	n that granted the appro	val (if known):
I declare under p	penalty of perjury under the laws	of the State of Cal	lifornia that the foregoin	g is true and correct.
Date:				
			<b>.</b>	
	(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)		<i>R</i>	(SIGNATURE)
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# **Proof of Service**

### **UD ANSWER**

### **Applicant:**

You must find an adult to mail your Answer (and UD-125, if applicable) directly to the other party you are responding to. You cannot serve the UD - Answer yourself.

#### Server:

You must mail the copy of the (UD-105) Answer (and UD-125, if applicable) to the other person or their attorney directly. You will have to put the document into an envelope and address it to them along with proper postage. You must place the envelope in a mail box or give to the Post Office to mail it to them.

After you have mailed a copy, you must fill out the **Proof of Service by Mail** and put your address (street address, city, state, zip), the date (mm/dd/yyyy) and the City and State you mailed it from.

You must write the name and address (street address, city, state, zip) of the person (people) you mailed it to.

You must print your name (first and last), sign your name (must be you) and date it (date you signed it).

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar nur	nber, and address):		FOR COURT US	E ONLY
(Your Full Legal Name)				
	CA			
(Your Street Address) (Apt #)	(City)	(Zip)		
TELEPHONE NO.:	FAX NO.(Optional):			
E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional):	·CD			
ATTORNEY FOR (Name): SELF-REPRESENT		) A		
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTSTREET ADDRESS: 191 N. First Street	IYOF SANTA CLAF	KA		
MAILING ADDRESS: 191 N. First Street				
CITY AND ZIP CODE: San Jose, CA 95113				
BRANCH NAME: Civil Courthouse - DTS				
PETITIONER/PLAINTIFF:				
RESPONDENT/DEFENDANT:				
PROOF OF SERVICE BY FIR	RST-CLASS MAIL - CIVI	L CASE I	NUMBER:	
(Do not use this Pro	oof of Service to show ser	vice of a Summons ar	nd Complaint.)	
<ol> <li>I am over 18 years of age and not a party to took place.</li> </ol>	o this action. I am a reside	nt of or employed in the	county where the i	mailing
2. My residence or business address is:				
(Server's Street Address)	(Apt #)	(City)	(State)	(Zip)
3. On <i>(date)</i> :	I mailed from (city	and state):		
the following documents (specify):  ANSWER-UNLAWFUL DETAINI  UD-125  The documents are listed in the Attachm		First-Class Mail - Civil (I	Documents Served,	)
(form POS-030(D)).			,	
<ol> <li>I served the documents by enclosing them in a.</li> <li>depositing the sealed envelope with placing the envelope for collection business's practice for collecting a placed for collection and mailing, it a sealed envelope with postage full</li> </ol>	ith the United States Postal and mailing following our cond processing corresponder is deposited in the ordinary	Service with the postagordinary business practions for mailing. On the	ces. I am readily far same day that corre	espondence is
5. The envelope was addressed and mailed as	follows:			
a. Name of person served:				
b. <b>Address</b> of person served:	(First and Last Name of P	erson Served)		
(Street Address)	(Apt #)	(City)	(State)	(Zip)
The name and address of each person by First-Class Mail-Civil (Persons Serve		nents is listed in the At	tachment to Proof o	of Service
declare under penalty of perjury under the laws	of the State of California tha	at the foregoing is true a	and correct.	
Jate:(Date Server Signs this form)	<b>k</b>			
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF PERSON COMPLETING THI (Server's First and Last Name)	S FORM)		PERSON COMPLETING THI	IS FORM)

#### INFORMATION SHEET FOR PROOF OF SERVICE BY FIRST-CLASS MAIL - CIVIL

(This information sheet is not part of the Proof of Service and does not need to be copied, served, or filed.)

**NOTE:** This form should **not** be used for proof of service of a summons and complaint. For that purpose, use *Proof of Service of Summons* (form POS-010).

Use these instructions to complete the Proof of Service by First-Class Mail - Civil (form POS-030).

A person over 18 years of age must serve the documents. There are two main ways to serve documents: (1) by personal delivery and (2) by mail. Certain documents must be personally served. You must determine whether personal service is required for a document. Use the *Proof of Personal Service - Civil* (form POS-020) if the documents were personally served.

The person who served the documents by mail must complete a proof of service form for the documents served. **You cannot serve documents if you are a party to the action.** 

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PERSON WHO SERVED THE DOCUMENTS

The proof of service should be printed or typed. If you have Internet access, a fillable version of the Proof of Service form is available at www.courtinfo.ca.gov/forms.

Complete the top section of the proof of service form as follows:

<u>First box, left side</u>: In this box print the name, address, and telephone number of the person *for* whom you served the documents.

<u>Second box, left side</u>: Print the name of the county in which the legal action is filed and the court's address in this box. The address for the court should be the same as on the documents that you served.

<u>Third box, left side</u>: Print the names of the Petitioner/Plaintiff and Respondent/Defendant in this box. Use the same names as are on the documents that you served.

First box, top of form, right side: Leave this box blank for the court's use.

<u>Second box, right side</u>: Print the case number in this box. The case number should be the same as the case number on the documents that you served.

Complete items 1-5 as follows:

- 1. You are stating that you are over the age of 18 and that you are not a party to this action. You are also stating that you either live in or are employed in the county where the mailing took place.
- 2. Print your home or business address.
- Provide the date and place of the mailing and list the name of each document that you mailed. If you need more space to list the documents, check the box in item 3, complete the Attachment to Proof of Service by First-Class Mail - Civil (Documents Served) (form POS-030(D)), and attach it to form POS-030.
- 4. For item 4:

Check box a if you personally put the documents in the regular U.S. mail. Check box b if you put the documents in the mail at your place of business.

5. Provide the name and address of each person to whom you mailed the documents. If you mailed the documents to more than one person, check the box in item 5, complete the *Attachment to Proof of Service by First-Class Mail - Civil (Persons Served)*(form POS-030(P)), and attach it to form POS-030.

At the bottom, fill in the date on which you signed the form, print your name, and sign the form. By signing, you are stating under penalty of perjury that all the information you have provided on form POS-030 is true and correct.

