



STATE OF MICHIGAN

FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

301 E. Huron St., P.O. Box 8650, Ann Arbor, MI 48107-8650

LANDLORD-TENANT CASES

Your Summons, enclosed with this notice, is your notification of your court date. Please fill out a contact form to ensure we have the most current information for you. You may return it to the Court by mail or by fax (734.794.6753). The form can also be completed and submitted online, simply visit our website at www.15thdistrictcourt.org.

Please read the information below carefully. This explains your rights in an eviction case:

1. You have the right to counsel. MCR 4.201(F)(2). See resources for legal assistance below. Seek assistance before your next court date.
2. The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), the local Coordinated Entry Agency (CEA), or the federal Help for Homeless Veterans program may be able to assist the parties with payment of some or all of the rent due. See resource list below. Seek assistance before your next court date.
3. You DO NOT need a judgment to receive assistance from MDHHS or the local CEA. Call for assistance when you receive the Summons and Complaint from the court.
4. It is possible to resolve this case through voluntary mediation if both the landlord and the tenant agree to participate. If you would like to mediate your case, contact the Dispute Resolution Center 734-794-2125 to learn if there are dates and times available.
5. You can negotiate a resolution to this matter with your landlord. You will still need to appear at your next court hearing unless you are represented by an attorney. If you wish to negotiate a resolution, please seek legal assistance prior to doing so.
6. You may enter into a Consent Order for Conditional Dismissal if both the landlord and the tenant agree. A copy of the form is enclosed for you to review before your court hearing.

If you have an attorney, please provide this information to your attorney.

If you have not retained an attorney, one or more of the following resources may be of assistance.

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IF YOU NEED HELP PAYING YOUR BACK RENT:

If you are being evicted for not paying rent, you can apply for help from:

- Housing Access of Washtenaw County: (734) 961-1999
- Michigan Department of Health and Human Services: (734) 481-2000 or mibridges.michigan.gov
- Housing Bureau for Seniors (age 55+): (734) 998-9339
- Washtenaw County Veterans Affairs (veterans): (734) 973-4540

Do this as soon as possible, before your court date.

IF YOU WANT MORE INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS:

There are special COVID-19 protections for tenants to prevent evictions. To find out if these protections apply to you, or to find out if you have any other legal defenses, contact:

- Legal Services of South Central Michigan: (734) 665-6181 or lsscm.org
- Michigan Legal Help: michiganlegalhelp.org
- Lawyers Referral Service (\$30 fee): (734) 996-3229

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When you come to court for your hearing, you will be subject to security and health screening and will be required to wear a mask. Only those essential to the case will be permitted in the Courthouse.