

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JOHNSON COUNTY KANSAS
LIMITED ACTION DEPARTMENT

vs.

Case No. _____
Division M4/Chapter 61

**NOTICE OF PRETRIAL CONFERENCE
UNDER COVID-19 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS**

The court will hold a Pretrial Conference on the _____ day of _____, 20 at _____ a.m. in Division M4/Chapter 61 of the Johnson County Courthouse, 150 W. Santa Fe St., Olathe, Kansas. Failure to appear may result in an entry of a default judgment against the defendant for the relief requested in the Petition without further notice.

Per this Court's standing Order, all Hearings in Division M4/Chapter 61 Limited Action cases are being held by Video Conference due to Covid-19 emergency operations to restrict large gatherings in the Courthouse. You are scheduled to appear in court on the date listed in this Notice.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
READ CAREFULLY

You will not appear in person on this date. Instead, you will appear by video or telephone.

Prior to your court date you must do the following:

1. Call your attorney and he/she may appear for you unless otherwise directed.
2. If you do not have an attorney, you must appear by Video Conferencing.

Zoom.us is the web site for your computer or you can download the Zoom App from your smartphone or tablet app store. **Make sure you test your video and audio.** On the date and time of your hearing, you must appear either through the Zoom App using the Meeting ID:

Division M4 Meeting ID: 3484746664

Please make sure you are identified by your name; or if you do not have internet or have a smartphone, you are required to call in to the hearing by calling 1-346-248-7799 or 1-312-626-6799 and enter Zoom Meeting ID: 3484746664

3. You will not receive an "Invite" to the hearing as the Court does not have your email address so you must follow the instructions above.

4. **When you sign into the Video Conference, you must enter your legal name as it appears on the case caption above.** Failure to do so will cause further delays in the Court calling your case on your scheduled date.
5. Additional instructions on how to use Zoom are at: <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/206175806>
6. If you need special help due to language or hearing issues, to make sure an interpreter will be at your hearing you must email your name, case number, and spoken language immediately upon receipt of this Notice to either:

For an interpreter, email to: Dca-foreigninterpreter@jocogov.org
For sign language, email to: DCASignInterp@jocogov.org
7. **You need to log in no earlier than 5 minutes prior to the scheduled hearing time, nor later than 5 minutes after the scheduled hearing time. Otherwise, to prevent a disruption of the proceedings, you will be locked out of the hearing and unable to appear, and Judgment may be entered against you. Please keep your microphone muted until your case is called. You may be placed into a waiting room if necessary.**
8. If you admit that you owe the debt as set forth in the Petition, then if you want you do not have to appear as the same result will occur, Judgment for the relief requested in the Petition. You should contact the Plaintiff's attorney to try and work out payment arrangements. **Understand that not having the ability to pay is not a legal defense to the claim.**

The only possible exception is in a Petition for Forcible Detainer (Landlord/Tenant Eviction case) possession of the premises may not be granted to the Landlord if non-payment of the rent during the time that the Kansas Governor's or the Federal Orders were/are in effect was due to loss of income caused by a Covid-19 reason.
9. If you deny you owe the debt or the allegations in the Petition, then you must appear.

Failure to appear for your hearing by video or by phone may result in a Judgment being entered for the relief requested in the Petition and is not subject to the suspension of time limitations as set forth in the Supreme Courts current Administration Order.

Name:
Address:

City, State, Zip:
Telephone Number (Required):
Email (Required):
Attorney for Plaintiff or Defendant

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AND MAILING

I certify that on the _____ day of _____, 20____, I sent a true copy of this Notice to:

____ (insert name and address) by depositing it in the United States mail, postage prepaid.

Name: