

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS FOR REGULAR SUMMONS OF GARNISHMENT

GARNISHEE

1. Answer cannot be filed sooner than thirty (30) days after service of Summons of Garnishment on the Garnishee; and no later than forty-five (45) days after the date of service of Summons of Garnishee.
2. File your Answer in writing in Room 1CL181, Clerk State Court, Harold R. Banke Justice Center, 9151 Tara Blvd, Jonesboro, Georgia 30236.
3. If you are not familiar with the Georgia Law applying in garnishment cases, consult your attorney, or otherwise obtain correct information, before paying the Defendant any sum after you have been served with this Summons of Garnishment.
4. A letter is insufficient, even though the Defendant is not employed by you.
5. Plaintiff, or their attorney, are the only ones who can authorize the Court to issue a Release, and relieve you of filing Answer to this Summons.
6. Failure to file answer may result in a default judgment being entered against the Garnishee for the amount claimed by Plaintiff against defendant plus court costs.
7. Georgia law requires that the garnishee must mail a copy of their answer to the plaintiff or plaintiff's attorney. A certificate of service is provided on the answer.

DEFENDANT

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1. If you are familiar with the Georgia laws applying to garnishments, consult an attorney or otherwise obtain correct information.
 2. If you wish to file a petition or request for a hearing to dissolve the garnishment, you must do so in writing at Room 1CL181, Clerk State Court, Harold R. Banke Justice Center, 9151 Tara Blvd, Jonesboro, Georgia 30236. Failure to do so will result in a conclusive presumption that the garnishment was properly issued.
 3. A garnishment against the property and credits of the defendant has been or will be served on the garnishee.