

Instructions: A written answer to a lawsuit must be filed with the court and a copy served on the plaintiff. An answer that denies all of the allegations in the petition is sufficient and will not prevent the defendant from raising any defenses at trial. The answer is due by the end of the 14th day after the date of service of the citation and petition, but if the 14th day is a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the answer is due on the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday; and if the 14th day falls on a day during which the court is closed before 5:00 p.m., the answer is due on the court's next business day. **Rule 502.5.**

NO. _____

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| _____ | § | IN THE JUSTICE COURT OF |
| _____ | § | HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS |
| PLAINTIFF | § | PRECINCT ____ PLACE ____ |
| VS. | § | _____ |
| _____ | § | _____ |
| _____ | § | |
| DEFENDANT | § | |

DEFENDANT'S ANSWER (SMALL CLAIMS OR DEBT CLAIM CASE)

This Answer is made by _____, Defendant.

Defendant denies all of the Plaintiff's allegations and demand that the allegations be proven.

Other Answer (describe other defenses, if any):

Respectfully submitted,

Signature of Defendant

Printed Name:

Address:

Telephone:

Fax Number:

Signature of Attorney for Defendant

Printed Name:

State Bar No.:

Address:

Telephone:

Fax Number:

Defendant consents to email service of all motions, pleadings, and other documents filed in this proceeding to be delivered to the following e-mail address: _____