

JUSTICE COURT CIVIL CASE INFORMATION SHEET

FOR COURT USE ONLY

CAUSE NUMBER: _____

STYLED: _____
(E.G., John Smith v. All American Insurance Co; In re Mary Ann Jones; In the Matter of the Estate of George Jackson)

A civil case information sheet must be completed and submitted when an original petition is filed to initiate a new suit. The information should be the best available at the time of filing. This sheet, although not required by rules or law, but is required per Hopkins County Justice Court office procedural mandate, and is intended to collect pertinent information that will be used for office use only. It does not negate or supplement obligatory filings or service of pleading or other documents as required by law or rule. The sheet does not constitute discovery request, response, or supplementation, and it is not admissible at trial.

1. Contact information for the person completing the case information sheet:	2. Names of parties in case:
<p>Name: _____ Phone: _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>City/State/Zip: _____ State Bar No.: _____</p> <p>Email: _____</p> <p>Signature: _____</p>	<p>Plaintiff(s): _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Defendant(s): _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">[Attach additional pages as necessary to list all parties]</p>

3. Indicate case type, or identify the most important issue in the case (select only one):	
<p><input type="checkbox"/> Debt claim: A debt claim case is a lawsuit brought to recover a debt by an assignee of a claim, a debt collector or collection agency, a financial institution, or a person or entity primarily engaged in the business of lending money at interest. The claim can be for no more than \$20,000, excluding statutory interest and court costs, but including attorney fees, if any.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Eviction: An eviction case is a lawsuit brought to recover possession of real property, often by a landlord against a tenant. A claim for rent may be joined with an eviction case if the amount of rent due and unpaid is not more than \$20,000, excluding statutory interest and court costs, but including attorney fees, if any.</p>
<p><input type="checkbox"/> Repair and Remedy: A repair and remedy case is a lawsuit filed by a residential tenant under Chapter 92, Subchapter B, of the Texas Property Code to Enforce the landlord's duty to repair or remedy a Condition materially affecting the physical health or safety of an ordinary tenant. The relief sought can be no more than \$10,000, excluding statutory interest and court costs, but including attorney's fees, if any.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Small Claims: A small claims case is a lawsuit brought for the recovery of money damages, civil penalties, personal property, or other relief allowed by law. The claim can be for no more than \$20,000, excluding statutory interest and court costs, but including attorney's fees, if any.</p>

PETITION FOR EVICTION CASE

COURT USE ONLY
CASE NO.: _____ COURT DATE: _____

In the Justice Court, Precinct _____, Hopkins County, Texas

PLAINTIFF: _____
(Landlord/Property Name)

Rental Subsidy (If any) \$ _____

vs.

Tenant's Portion \$ _____

Total Monthly Rent \$ _____

Defendant(s): _____

Complainant: Plaintiff (Landlord) hereby complains of the defendant(s) named above for evictions of plaintiff's premises (including storeroom and parking areas) located in the above precinct. The address of the property is:

Texas

Street address	Unit No. (If any)	City	State	Zip
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1. **CARES ACT/CDC DECLARATION:** I have attached the Affidavit titled "Verification of Compliance with Sections 4023 and 4024 of the CARES Act and the CEC Issued Federal Eviction Moratorium Order" to this petition.

2. **SERVICE OF CITATION:** Service is requested on defendants by personal service at home or work or by alternative services as allowed by the Texas Justice Court Rules of Court. Other addresses where the defendant(s) may be served are:

3. **UNPAID RENT AS GROUNDS FOR EVICTION:** Defendant(s) failed to pay rent for the following time period(s):

TOTAL DELINQUENT RENT AS OF DATE OF FILING IS: \$ _____

4. **OTHER GROUNDS FOR EVICTION/LEASE VIOLATIONS:** Lease violation (if other than non-paid rent – list lease violations):

5. **HOLD OVER AS GROUNDS FOR EVICTION:** Defendant(s) are unlawfully holding over since they failed to vacate at the end of the rental term or renewal of extension period which was _____ day of _____, 20____.

6. **NOTICE TO VACATE:** Plaintiff has given defendant(s) a written notice to vacate (according to Chapter 24.005 of the Texas Property Code) and demand for possession. Such notice was delivered on the _____ day of _____, 20____ and delivered by this method.

7. **ATTORNEY FEES:** Plaintiff **WILL** / **WILL NOT** be seeking applicable attorney's fees. Attorney's name, address, phone number and fax numbers are:

8. **BOND FOR POSSESSION:** If Plaintiff has filed a bond for possession, plaintiff requests (1) that the amount of plaintiff's bond and defendant's counter bond be set, (2) that plaintiff's bond be approved by the court, and (3) proper notices as required by the Texas Justice Court Rules are given to the Defendant(s).

REQUEST FOR JUDGEMENT: Plaintiff prays that defendant(s) be served with citation and that plaintiff have a judgment against defendant(s) for: possession of premises, including removal of defendants and defendants' possessions from the premises, unpaid rent IF set forth above, attorney's fees, court costs, and interest on the above sums at the rate stated in the rental contract, or if not so stated, at the statutory rate for judgments under Civil Statutes Article 5069-1.05.

I give my consent for the answer and other motions or pleadings to be sent to my email address which is:

Petitioner's Printed Name

Signature of Plaintiff (Landlord/Property Owner) or Agent

Address of Plaintiff (Landlord/Property Owner) or Agent
Texas

City

State

Zip

Phone No. of the Plaintiff (Landlord/Property Owner) or Agent

Defendant(s) Information (if known):

Date of birth: _____

Last 3 numbers of the driver license: _____

Last 3 numbers of the social security no.: _____

Defendant's phone no.: _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 20 _____.

Clerk of the Justice Court or Notary

CAUSE #: _____

_____	§	IN THE JUSTICE COURT
Plaintiff		
	Vs.	§
		PRECINCT____, PLACE _____
_____	§	HOPKINS COUNTY, TEXAS
Defendant		

Affidavit (50 USC Sec. 520)

Plaintiff being duly sworn on oath deposes and says that defendant(s) is / are

Check One

- Not in the military.
- Not on active duty in the military and/or
- Not in a foreign country on military service
- On active military duty and/or is subject to the Service Members Civil Relief Act of 2003
- Has waived his/her rights under the Service Members Civil Relief Act of 2003
- Military status is unknown at this time.

Plaintiff

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this the _____ day of _____, 20_____.

- _____
 Notary public in and for the State of Texas
 Clerk of the Justice Court

Penalty for making or using false affidavit – a person who makes or uses an affidavit knowing it to be false, shall be fined as provided in Title 18, Unites States Code, or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both.

CAUSE NO. _____

PLAINTIFF

v.

DEFENDANT

§ IN THE JUSTICE COURT

§

§

§ PRECINCT NO. _____

§

§

§ HOPKINS COUNTY, TEXAS

**VERIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH SECTIONS 4023 AND 4024 OF THE CARES ACT AND THE
CDC ISSUED FEDERAL EVICTION MORATORIUM ORDER**

My name

is: _____

First

Middle

Last

I am (check one) **the Plaintiff** or **an authorized agent of the Plaintiff** in the eviction case described at the top of this page. I am capable of making this affidavit. The facts stated in the affidavit are within my personal knowledge and are true and correct.

1. Verification:

a. Plaintiff is seeking to recover possession of the following property:

Name of Apartment Complex (if any)

Hopkins Texas

Street Address & Unit No. (if any)

City

County

State

ZIP

b. I verify that this property (select the one that applies): **is** OR **is not**

a. "covered dwelling" as defined by Section 4024(a)(1) of the CARES Act. The facts on which I base my conclusion are as follows:

(Please identify whether the property has a federally backed mortgage loan or federally backed multifamily mortgage loan, and if not, which database or information you have used to determine that fact.)

(If the property does not have a federally backed mortgage loan or federally backed multifamily mortgage loan, please state whether or not: (1) the property is a Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) property, (2) the property is federally subsidized under any HUD program, or (3) the property leases to persons with Section 8 vouchers.)

c. I verify that plaintiff (select the one that applies): *is* OR *is not*
a “multifamily borrower” currently under forbearance under Section 4023 of the CARES Act.

d. I verify that plaintiff (select the one that applies):
 has provided the defendant with 30 days’ notice to vacate as required under Section 4024(c) and 4023(e) of the CARES Act; OR
 has not provided the 30 days’ notice, because the property is not a “covered dwelling.”

e. I certify that the plaintiff: **has** OR **has not**
received a CDC Sworn Declaration from the tenant stating that they are a “covered person” under the CDC issued Federal Eviction Moratorium Order. ***Any landlord proceeding with a nonpayment eviction of “covered person” despite receiving a Declaration can be fined up to \$100,000 under federal law.***

2. Declaration or Notary: Complete only one of the two following sections:

a. **Declaration:** I declare under penalty of perjury that everything in this verification is true and correct. My name is : _____

My birthdate is: _____/_____/_____
Month Day Year

My address is:

Street Address & Unit No. (if any) City County State ZIP

Signed on _____/_____/_____ in _____ County, Texas.
Month Day Year

Your Signature

OR

b. **Notary:** I declare under penalty of perjury that everything in this verification is true and correct

Your Printed Name

Your Signature (sign only before a notary)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

CLERK OF THE COURT OR NOTARY

NOTICE TO VACATE PREMISES

TO: _____
_____ & ALL OCCUPANTS

ADDRESS: _____
_____ **Texas** _____
CITY STATE ZIP

AS PER THE TEXAS PROPERTY CODE, CHAPTER 24, THIS IS A _____ DAY NOTICE TO VACATE THE PREMISES LOCATED AT THE ADDRESS LISTED ABOVE.

YOU AND YOUR PROPERTY ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED TO VACATE THE PREMISES LOCATED AT THE ADDRESS ABOVE ON OR BEFORE THE _____ DAY OF _____, 20____, AT _____ O'CLOCK _____ M.

SAID PREMISES IS OCCUPIED BY YOU AND/OR YOUR PROPERTY AND FAILURE TO REMOVE YOURSELF AND/OR ALL OF YOUR POSSESSIONS BY THE AFOREMENTIONED DATE AND TIME SHALL RESULT IN EVICTION PROCEDURES AGAINST YOU AS THE LAW DIRECTS.

WITNESSED MY HAND ON THE _____ DAY OF _____, 20_____.

Signature of Landlord or Authorized Agent

CARES Act
Public Law 116-136

SEC. 4023. FORBEARANCE OF RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE LOAN PAYMENTS FOR MULTIFAMILY PROPERTIES WITH FEDERALLY BACKED LOANS.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—During the covered period, a multifamily borrower with a Federally backed multifamily mortgage loan experiencing a financial hardship due, directly or indirectly, to the COVID-19 emergency may request a forbearance under the terms set forth in this section.

(b) **REQUEST FOR RELIEF.**—A multifamily borrower with a Federally backed multifamily mortgage loan that was current on its payments as of February 1, 2020, may submit an oral or written request for forbearance under subsection (a) to the borrower’s servicer affirming that the multifamily borrower is experiencing a financial hardship during the COVID-19 emergency.

(c) **FORBEARANCE PERIOD.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Upon receipt of an oral or written request for forbearance from a multifamily borrower, a servicer shall—

(A) document the financial hardship;

(B) provide the forbearance for up to 30 days; and

(C) extend the forbearance for up to 2 additional 30 day periods upon the request of the borrower provided that, the borrower’s request for an extension is made during the covered period, and, at least 15 days prior to the end of the forbearance period described under subparagraph (B).

(2) **RIGHT TO DISCONTINUE.**—A multifamily borrower shall have the option to discontinue the forbearance at any time.

(d) **RENTER PROTECTIONS DURING FORBEARANCE PERIOD.**—A multifamily borrower that receives a forbearance under this section may not, for the duration of the forbearance—

(1) evict or initiate the eviction of a tenant from a dwelling unit located in or on the applicable property solely for nonpayment of rent or other fees or charges; or

(2) charge any late fees, penalties, or other charges to a tenant described in paragraph (1) for late payment of rent.

(e) **NOTICE.**—A multifamily borrower that receives a forbearance under this section—

(1) may not require a tenant to vacate a dwelling unit located in or on the applicable property before the date that is 30 days after the date on which the borrower provides the tenant with a notice to vacate; and

(2) may not issue a notice to vacate under paragraph (1) until after the expiration of the forbearance.

(f) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

(1) **APPLICABLE PROPERTY.**—The term “applicable property”, with respect to a Federally backed multifamily mortgage loan, means the residential multifamily property against which the mortgage loan is secured by a lien.

(2) **FEDERALLY BACKED MULTIFAMILY MORTGAGE LOAN.**—The term “Federally backed multifamily mortgage loan” includes any loan (other than temporary financing such as a construction loan) that—

(A) is secured by a first or subordinate lien on residential multifamily real property designed principally for the occupancy of 5 or more families, including any such secured loan, the proceeds of which are used to prepay or pay off an existing loan secured by the same property; and

(B) is made in whole or in part, or insured, guaranteed, supplemented, or assisted in any way, by any officer or agency of the Federal Government or under or in connection with a housing or urban development program administered by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development or a housing or related program administered by any other such officer or agency, or is purchased or securitized by the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation or the Federal National Mortgage Association.

(3) **MULTIFAMILY BORROWER.**—the term “multifamily borrower” means a borrower of a residential mortgage loan that is secured by a lien against a property comprising 5 or more dwelling units.

(4) **COVID-19 EMERGENCY.**—The term “COVID-19 emergency” means the national emergency concerning the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak declared by the President on March 13, 2020 under the National Emergencies Act ([50 U.S.C. 1601](#) et seq.).

(5) **COVERED PERIOD.**—The term “covered period” means the period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act and ending on the sooner of—

(A) the termination date of the national emergency concerning the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak declared by the President on March 13, 2020 under the National Emergencies Act ([50 U.S.C. 1601](#) et seq.); or

(B) December 31, 2020.

Sec. 4024 TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON EVICTION FILINGS.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) COVERED DWELLING.— The term “covered dwelling” means a dwelling that—

(A) is occupied by a tenant—

- (i) pursuant to a residential lease; or
- (ii) without a lease or with a lease terminable under State law; and

(B) is on or in a covered property.

(2) COVERED PROPERTY.—The term “covered property” means any property that—

(A) participates in—

(i) a covered housing program (as defined in section 41411(a) of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (34 U.S.C. 12491(a)));

or

(ii) the rural housing voucher program under section 542 of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1490r); or

(B) has a—

(i) Federally backed mortgage loan; or (ii) Federally backed multifamily mortgage loan.

(3) DWELLING.—The term “dwelling”—

(A) has the meaning given the term in section 802 of the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3602); and (B) includes houses and dwellings described in section 803(b) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 3603(b)).

(4) FEDERALLY BACKED MORTGAGE LOAN.—The term “Federally backed mortgage loan” includes any loan (other than temporary financing such as a construction loan) that —

(A) is secured by a first or subordinate lien on residential real property (including individual units of condominiums and cooperatives) designed principally for the occupancy of from 1 to 4 families, including any such secured loan, the proceeds of which are used to prepay or pay off an existing loan secured by the same property; and

(B) is made in whole or in part, or insured, guaranteed, supplemented, or assisted in any way by any officer or agency of the Federal Government or under or in connection with a housing or urban development program administered by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development or a housing or related program administered by any other such officer or agency, or is purchased or securitized by the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation or the Federal National Mortgage Association.

(5) FEDERALLY BACKED MULTIFAMILY MORTGAGE LOAN.—The term “Federally backed multifamily mortgage loan” includes any loan (other than temporary financing such as a construction loan) that—

(A) is secured by a first or subordinate lien on residential multifamily real property designed principally for the occupancy of 5 or more families, including any such secured loan, the proceeds of which are used to prepay or pay off an existing loan secured by the same property; and

(B) is made in whole or in part, or insured, guaranteed, supplemented, or assisted in any way, by any officer or agency of the Federal Government or under or in connection with a housing or urban development program administered by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development or a housing or related program administered by any other such officer or agency, or is purchased or securitized by the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation or the Federal National Mortgage Association.

(b) MORATORIUM.—During the 120-day period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act, the lessor of a covered dwelling may not-

(1) make, or cause to be made, any filing with the court of jurisdiction to initiate a legal action to recover possession of the covered dwelling from the tenant for nonpayment of rent or other fees or charges; or

(2) charge fees, penalties, or other charges to the tenant related to such nonpayment of rent.

(c) NOTICE.—The lessor of a covered dwelling unit-

(1) may not require the tenant to vacate the covered dwelling unit before the date that is 30 days after the date on which the lessor provides the tenant with a notice to vacate; and

(2) may not issue a notice to vacate under paragraph (1) until after the expiration of the period described in subsection (b).

DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY FOR THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION'S TEMPORARY HALT IN EVICTIONS TO PREVENT FURTHER SPREAD OF COVID-19

This declaration is for tenants, lessees, or residents of residential properties who are covered by the CDC's order temporarily halting residential evictions (not including foreclosures on home mortgages) to prevent the further spread of COVID-19. Under the CDC's order you must provide a copy of this declaration to your landlord, owner of the residential property where you live, or other person who has a right to have you evicted or removed from where you live. **Each adult listed on the lease, rental agreement, or housing contract should complete this declaration.** Unless the CDC order is extended, changed, or ended, the order prevents you from being evicted or removed from where you are living through December 31, 2020. You are still required to pay rent and follow all the other terms of your lease and rules of the place where you live. You may also still be evicted for reasons other than not paying rent or making a housing payment.

This declaration is sworn testimony, meaning that you can be prosecuted, go to jail, or pay a fine if you lie, mislead, or omit important information. I certify under penalty of perjury, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1746, that the following are true and correct:

- I have used best efforts to obtain all available government assistance for rent or housing;
- I either:
 1. expect to earn no more than \$99,000 in annual income for Calendar Year 2020 (or no more than \$198,000 if filing a joint tax return),
 2. was not required to report any income in 2019 to the I.R.S., **or**
 3. received an Economic Impact Payment (stimulus check) pursuant to Section 2201 of the CARES Act;
- I am unable to pay my full rent or make a full housing payment due to substantial loss of household income, loss of compensable hours of work or wages, lay-offs, or extraordinary out-of-pocket medical expenses;
- I am using best efforts to make timely partial payments that are as close to the full payment as the individual's circumstances may permit, taking into account other nondiscretionary expenses; **AND**
- If evicted I would likely become homeless, need to move into a homeless shelter, or need to move into a new residence shared by other people who live in close quarters because I have no other available housing options.

I understand that I must still pay rent or make a housing payment, and comply with other obligations that I may have under my tenancy, lease agreement, or similar contract. I further understand that fees, penalties, or interest for not paying rent or making a housing payment on time as required by my tenancy, lease agreement, or similar contract may still be charged or collected.

I further understand that at the end of this temporary halt on evictions on December 31, 2020, my housing provider may require payment in full for all payments not made prior to and during the temporary halt and failure to pay may make me subject to eviction pursuant to State and local laws. I understand that any false or misleading statements or omissions may result in criminal and civil actions for fines, penalties, damages, or imprisonment.

Signature of Declarant

Date

“Available government assistance” means any governmental rental or housing payment benefits available to the individual or any household member

An “extraordinary” medical expense is any unreimbursed medical expense likely to exceed 7.5% of one’s adjusted gross income for the year.

“Available housing” means any available, unoccupied residential property, or other space for occupancy in any seasonal or temporary housing that would not violate Federal, State, or local occupancy standards and that would not result in an overall increase of housing cost to you.

“Covered person” means any tenant, lessee, or resident of a residential property who provides to their landlord, the owner of the residential property, or other person with a legal right to pursue eviction or a possessory action, a declaration under penalty of perjury indicating that:

- I have used best efforts to obtain all available government assistance for rent or housing;
- I either:
 1. expect to earn no more than \$99,000 in annual income for Calendar Year 2020 (or no more than \$198,000 if filing a joint tax return),
 2. was not required to report any income in 2019 to the I.R.S., **or**
 3. received an Economic Impact Payment (stimulus check) pursuant to Section 2201 of the CARES Act;
- I am unable to pay my full rent or make a full housing payment due to substantial loss of household income, loss of compensable hours of work or wages, lay-offs, or extraordinary out-of-pocket medical expenses;
- I am using best efforts to make timely partial payments that are as close to the full payment as the individual’s circumstances may permit, taking into account other nondiscretionary expenses; **AND**
- If evicted I would likely become homeless, need to move into a homeless shelter, or need to move into a new residence shared by other people who live in close quarters because I have no other available housing options.